



Ghana Chess Association

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## **2015 TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**19th-20th September, 2015**

**VIP LOUNGE, THEODOSIA OKOH HOCKEY PITCH, ACCRA**

### **INVITATION**

The Ghana Chess Association under the auspices of the National Sports Authority is inviting chess clubs in schools, communities and institutions all over the country to participate in this year's Team Chess Championships.

## PARTICIPATION CRITERIA AND TEAM COMPOSITION

- There shall be two playing categories, the Open Section and the Junior Section which is only open to team comprising of players below the age of 18.
- Each team shall comprise of **4 players** and **1 reserve**. Additional reserves may be accepted upon application to the organizers
- Each team shall consist **at least one player of each sex**. Teams that do not meet this requirement shall continually loose on the board four.
- Chess clubs or other chess groupings recognized by the Ghana Chess Association have the right to present a team to participate in this year's championships
- However, only registered clubs may present additional teams to be accepted on application subject to a **maximum of three teams** per club.
- Board order shall be in respect of **GCA ratings** with the highest rated player playing on board one in that order. No one team shall have an average GCA rating of more than **1800**. Note all unrated participants shall be given an initial local rating of 1400.
- Each team shall maintain a fixed board order throughout the tournament as presented by the team handler/captain during registration.

## TOURNAMENT REGULATION AND TIE BREAK

The championships will be played in accordance with FIDE regulations on a 7-round Swiss System basis in a time control of 30 minutes for each player plus 10 seconds increment for each move.

A won match shall count as 3 points to the winning team a drawn match shall count as 1 point .

When the Swiss System is used, the position of teams that finish with the same number of match points shall be determined by application of the following tie-break procedures, in sequence.

- a. By the game points
- b. By the result of the matches between teams in contention.
- c. By the games of all the team's opponents

## PRIZES

1. The overall winners in each category shall be awarded the trophy at stake
2. The organizers shall also award Gold, Silver and Bronze medals to the 5/6 members of teams taking the first three places
3. Individual Board Prizes- Players assigned to the same board number in their respective team lists shall be in competition with each other for an individual board prize. For the purpose of this award, only board 1 to 4 players who take part in at least 60% of the rounds and a reserve player who takes part in at least 40% shall be eligible for prizes.
4. Special award for top three best performing females in both categories

## LIST OF RECOGNIZED CHESS CLUBS

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Alisa Chess Club (2014 Winners) | 14. Accra Poly Chess Club     |
| 2. UG Chess Club                   | 15. Tema Chess Club           |
| 3. UT Bank Chess Club              | 16. Achimota Chess Club       |
| 4. Beauty and Brains Club          | 17. GIS Chess Club            |
| 5. Merton Chess Club               | 18. Beauty and Brains         |
| 6. GTUC Chess Club                 | 19. Galaxy Chess Club         |
| 7. KNUST Chess Club                | 20. QIS Chess Club            |
| 8. Dansoman Chess Club             | 21. Sakumono Chess Club       |
| 9. Takoradi Chess Club             | 22. ARIS Chess Club           |
| 10. TIS Chess Club                 | 23. Medical School Chess Club |
| 11. Kaneshie Chess Club            | 24. DPS Chess club            |
| 12. Gimpa Chess Club               |                               |
| 13. Mentors Chess Academy          |                               |

➤ *Clubs that are not yet registered with GCA are welcome to do so.*

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
21 <sup>st</sup> Sept, 2015	9:00 - 9:20	Team Captains Meeting and Balloting
	9:30 - 10:00	Opening Ceremony
	10:10 – 11:40	Round One
	11:40 - 1:10	Round Two
	1:10 - 1:50	Break
	1:50 - 3:20	Round Three
	3:20 – 5:00	Round Four
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	11:00-12:30	Round Five
	12:30 – 2:00	Round Six
	2:00 – 3:00	Break
	3:30 – 4:00	Round Seven
	4:00-4:40	Blitz Tournament
	4:10- 4:30	Closing Ceremony

## TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

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## REGISTRATION

The closing date for entries is 15<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2015. This date is the registration deadline.

Kindly e-mail the attached completed registration forms to the emails [ghanachess@gmail.com](mailto:ghanachess@gmail.com) and [info@ghanachess.com](mailto:info@ghanachess.com)

Each team in the open section will be required to pay a registration fee of GHC 30.00 per player and Ghc 10.00 for players under 18 upon submission of completed registration forms to the Tournament director, Ambrose Amexo.

Alternatively, the completed forms can be submitted by hand to the Secretary General, Christine Ashley at office 39 at the Accra Sports Stadium between the hours of 11am and 2pm

Late registration attracts a penalty of GHC 10 per player.

Kindly find attached the registration form to be completed.

Yours in Chess

Ghana Chess Association



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