



## VI International rapid chess Open of Escola d'Escacs d'Osona

- 1) **Organised by:** Escola d'Escacs d'Osona and Calldetenes Chess Club. The tournament belongs to [XVè Circuit Català d'Oberts Internacionals](#) (Catalan Grand Prix).
- 2) **Day:** Saturday, September 15, 2018.
- 3) **Tournament type.** 9 round Swiss system ([Handbook FIDE C.04.13](#)), one group.
- 4) **Modality.** Rapid chess. **Rate of play:** 15 minutes per each player with 5 second cumulative increment for every move starting from move 1. **Pairing.** Will be carried out using Swiss Manager software.
- 5) **Rating:**
  - The tournament will be rated by FIDE and the Catalan Chess Federation, FCDE (rapid chess).
  - The reference rating will be FIDER/FIDE, then that of FCDE and finally that of the corresponding chess federation, under previous recognising of equivalence according to the current Catalan Grand Prix regulations by the FCDE. The reference ratings lists will be those of September 1, 2018.
- 6) **All players that will not show up for the first round will be eliminated from the tournament, as well as those who will not attend any round without a previous notice.** Each player may apply for at most two zero-point byes; the third bye will imply withdrawal from the tournament. The default time is 15 minutes (flag-fall).
- 7) **The venue is at [Centre Cívic Can Pau Raba](#).** Address: c/. Rabal Cortines, 24, 08500 Vic. GPS: 41.931098, 2.263784. The venue is adapted for persons with reduced mobility.
- 8) **Schedule of play (approximate for rounds 2—5 and 7—9):**  
10:15 h, entry fees should be paid;  
**10:30 h, 1<sup>st</sup> round (sharp);** 11:20 h, 2<sup>nd</sup> round; 12:10 h, 3<sup>rd</sup> round; 13:00 h, 4<sup>th</sup> round; 13:50 h, 5<sup>th</sup> round;  
14:30 h, lunch;  
**16:30 h, 6<sup>th</sup> round (sharp);** 17:20 h, 7<sup>th</sup> round; 18:10 h, 8<sup>th</sup> round; 19:00 h, 9<sup>th</sup> round;  
20:00 h (approximately), prizegiving.
- 9) **Registration.**  
Registration for the tournament could be made before 6 pm on Friday, September 14, by e-mail [escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com](mailto:escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com). An e-mail confirming player's registration will be sent.
- 10) **Entry fees.**  
Entry fees will be as follows:  
General: 20 €  
Catalan Masters, Escola d'Escacs d'Osona members: 15 €  
Players whose disability is recognised by FCDE: 3€ discount with respect to the eligible fee.  
Players born in 1958 and before: 13 €.  
Players born in 2002 and after: 10 €.  
GM's, IM's and FIDE rated over 2350, free, prior invitation from the Organisation. The invitations can be arranged by e-mail [escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com](mailto:escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com) or by WhatsApp at (+34)616716255 before September 11, 2018.
- CLUBS: for registration of 4 or more players from the same club, Escola d'Escacs d'Osona member's fee will be applied (15€).**  
Entry fees should be satisfied before the beginning of the first round.

### Entry fee payments via bank transfer:

We encourage to pay entry fees by bank transfer to **(IBAN) ES95 0182 1782 3002 0005 9934, SWIFT/BIC BBVAESMM, before September 11, 2018.** Please state the name, surname and you club on the transfer order. We ask you to send a payment proof to [escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com](mailto:escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com) or be WhatsApp to (+34)616716255.

### Lunch service:

As a 2018 novelty, Organisation offers the possibility to have a lunch at the tournament venue. The lunch will consist of salad, paella, desert and soft drink. Chef Daniel Flores will be in charge of the cuisine.

**IMPORTANT:** In order to have an accurate prediction of the number of persons who would like to take lunch, we ask all of you who are interested in having lunch to communicate it to the organisation before **the midnight of Thursday, September 13. The price of lunch is 10 euros provided it is paid by bank transfer.** If there are available lunch tickets, the price on the day of the tournament will be of 12 euros.

**11) Prizes: 1150 €, plus special prizes (books).**

**1<sup>st</sup> prize:** 225 € + trophy; **2<sup>nd</sup> prize:** 150 € + trophy; **3<sup>rd</sup> prize:** 100 € + trophy;

**4<sup>th</sup> prize:** 75 €; **5<sup>th</sup> prize:** 60 €, **6<sup>th</sup> prize:** 40 €, **7<sup>th</sup> prize:** 35 €, **8<sup>th</sup> prize:** 30 €, **9<sup>th</sup> prize:** 25 €.

**Rating frames (by FIDE rating, if no, replaced by FIDE standard):** 2250—2400 (A), 2100—2249 (B), 1950—2099 (C), 1800—1949 (D), 1650—1799 (E), up to 1649 (F).

**1<sup>st</sup> prize in each frame:** 40 € + trophy.

**2<sup>nd</sup> prize in each frame:** 20 €.

**Osona best player:** 30 € + trophy; **Osona runner-up:** 20 € + a chess book, **Osona third best player:** a chess book.

**Best S60:** chess book.

**Best women player:** a chess book

**Best U16, best U14, best U12, best U10 and best U8:** a chess book. Trophy to the best player in (U8, U10, U12, U14 and U16 categories).

**Moreover, 3 chess books will be drawn between all participants (chess books are not cumulative). All books are a courtesy of Escola d'Escacs d'Osona and d'Interchess, SL.**

Money prizes **are not cumulative**. If a player is eligible for more than one prize, s/he will receive that of a higher economic value. In case of equality of values, trophies and then chess books as complements have preference, following the above stated order of prizes. Money prizes are subject to tax deductions according to the Spanish laws.

**12) Prizegiving.**

The prizes will be given immediately after the conclusion of the last round, when final standings are available. The prizes will only be given to the players who attend the prizegiving ceremony. Otherwise, it will be taken that the player renounces his/her prize (except for major force circumstances communicated to the Organisation).

**13) Tie-breaks.**

Immediately after the end of the last round, the order of [tie-breaks](#) will be drawn between:

- A) Buchholz\* (-1)
- B) Buchholz median\*
- C) Buchholz total\*
- D) Cumulative score, without application of round cuts

\*FIDE adjustment in Buchholz: "virtual player."

If the players are still tied, then the following tie-breaks will be applied, in this order:

- E) Number of wins
- F) Draw

**14) Direction and arbiters.**

Tournament director is Mr. Marc Verdaguer i Montanyà. Chief Arbiter is Dr. Vladimir Zaiats (International Arbiter). Arbiter's decisions will be final and binding. During the tournament, [Article A.4](#) of the Laws of Chess will be applied.

**15) Right of admission.**

The Organisation reserves the right of admission.

**16) Mobile phones and other legal issues.**

The players may have mobile phones which should be switched off completely during the tournament. Otherwise, both if the mobile phone produces any sound and if it does not, the player shall lose the game. Any other issue not covered by these regulations will be resolved using the current FIDE and FCDE regulations, with necessary adaptations to the tournament's characteristics. Taking part in the tournament implies that the player accepts completely these tournament regulations. The players will have official FCDE appeal forms at their disposal.

**17) Official Web:** <http://escolaescacsosona.blogspot.com/2018/07/vi-open-internacional-descacs-rapids-de.html>. The tournament will be advertised by Chess-Results, info64 other specialised chess Webs.

**18) Contact:** (+34)616716255 (Vladimir Zaiats). **E-mail:** [escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com](mailto:escola.escacs.osona@gmail.com)

**19) The definite tournament resulations will be those written in Catalan and exposed in the tournament playing room.**

**20) How one can get to Vic?** Vic is the capital of the "comarca" of Osona. By car, it can be reached by C-17 highway (from Barcelona, Ripoll), C-25 (from Girona, Lleida, Manresa) and C-37 (Olot, Figueres). By train, use R3 Barcelona-Vic-Puigcerdà-La Tour de Carol line. It can also be reached by bus: Sagalés (from Barcelona), Eixbus (Girona, Manresa, Lleida), Teisa (Olot). Bus and train stations are within a 15 min footwalk from the tournament venue. In 2017, the tournament coincides with the **30<sup>th</sup> edition of the Live Music Market in Vic** <http://www.mmvv.cat>  
**Important:** Please be sure to check public transport schedules (more information on the tournament's Website).