

2019 GCT Event Regulations

1. Preamble

The following Event regulations shall apply to the two Classical events and the five Rapid and Blitz events that will form part of the regular tour season of the 2019 Grand Chess Tour.

2. Rapid & Blitz Event Regulations

2.1. Prize Fund:

The total prize fund for each of the Rapid & Blitz Events shall be \$150,000 USD which shall be distributed as follows:

2019 Grand Chess Tour - Rapid & Blitz Events Prize Fund Distribution			
Place	Prize	Place	Prize
1 st	\$37,500	6 th	\$10,000
2 nd	\$25,000	7 th	\$7,500
3 rd	\$20,000	8 th	\$7,500
4 th	\$15,000	9 th	\$7,500
5 th	\$12,500	10 th	\$7,500
Total Prize Fund: \$150,000			

2.2. Schedule of Events

2019 Grand Chess Tour - Rapid & Blitz Events Schedule			
Date	Event	Date	Event
DAY 1	Player Arrival	DAY 5	Rapid Day 3
DAY 2	Pro/Biz, Press & Corporate Day Activities	DAY 6	Blitz Day 1
DAY 3	Rapid Day 1	DAY 7	Blitz Day 2, Playoffs, Closing Ceremony
DAY 4	Rapid Day 2	DAY 8	Departure

2.3. Rapid Chess Format and Time Limit:

Format: 10-player Round Robin

Time Limit: Game in twenty-five (25) minutes, with a ten (10) second delay from move 1.

2.4. Blitz Chess Format and Time Limit

Format: 10-player Double Round Robin

Time Limit: Game in five (5) minutes, with a three (3) second delay from move 1.

3. Classical Event Regulations

3.1. Prize Fund:

The total prize fund for each of the Classical Events shall be \$ 325,000 USD which shall be distributed as follows:

2019 Grand Chess Tour – Classical Events Prize Fund Distribution			
Place	Prize	Place	Prize
1 st	\$90,000	7 th	\$15,000
2 nd	\$60,000	8 th	\$13,000
3 rd	\$40,000	9 th	\$10,000
4 th	\$30,000	10 th	\$10,000
5 th	\$20,000	11 th	\$10,000
6 th	\$17,000	12 th	\$10,000
Total Prize Fund: \$325,000			

3.2. Schedule

2019 Grand Chess Tour – Classical Events Schedule			
Date	Event	Date	Event
DAY 1	Player Arrival	DAY 9	Rest Day
DAY 2	Pro-Biz, Press and / or Corporate / Social Day Activities	DAY 10	Round 7
DAY 3	Round 1	DAY 11	Round 8
DAY 4	Round 2	DAY 12	Round 9
DAY 5	Round 3	DAY 13	Round 10
DAY 6	Round 4	DAY 14	Round 11
DAY 7	Round 5	DAY 15	Playoffs (If required) Closing Ceremony
DAY 8	Round 6	DAY 16	Player Departure

3.3. Format and Time Limit

Format: 12-player Round Robin

Time Limit: Game in One Hundred and Thirty (130) Minutes with a 30 second delay per move from move 1.