



FIDE ONLINE RAPID GRAND PRIX SERIES

CADETS & YOUTH (UNDER 10 -18)

GENERAL REGULATIONS

November 1 – 8, 2021 & November 19 – 24, 2021

1. INVITATION

The FIDE, the Georgian Chess Federation & the Georgian Chess Club “64” invite chess players according to 3.1 – 3.5 of the current regulations to participate in FIDE Online Rapid Grand Prix Series among Cadets and Youth Under 10 – 18. (hereinafter referred to as Grand Prix).

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 2.1 **Grand Prix** is an official FIDE competition. The Governing Body of the Championships is the International Chess Federation (FIDE). FIDE Supervisor of the event is empowered to take all relevant decisions after the FIDE Council approves the regulations.
- 2.2 At any time, any circumstance or unforeseen situation not covered in these Regulations shall be referred to the FIDE President or to FIDE Supervisor of the event upon authorization by the FIDE President for any kind of amendments.

3. FORMAT & PARTICIPANTS

- 3.1 **Grand Prix** will be played in 5 different age groups – under 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 and 2 sections - open and girls. Players of the Championships must not have reached their 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th, 18th birthday, respectively, before January 1st of the year 2021.
- 3.2 National federations of the qualified players will appoint one captain/representative for the technical meetings and for communication during the event.
- 3.3 **Grand Prix** consists of two round-robin tournaments. The both will be played in November. The first Grand Prix consists of 14 players and the second one of 10 players. The bottom four finishes in the first Grand Prix shall not participate in the second Grand Prix.
- 3.4 Players placed 4-8 and the one highest rated player (by 01.08.2021 Fide Standard rating) among 9-16 in the World Cup 2021 are qualified to the Grand Prix Series. If there is a tie in FIDE standard ratings, for example the ninth or any other (from 9 -16) player has the same FIDE standard rating

as the tenth on any next, the one with the higher rating in the previous published rating list will be invited. If the players were tied also in the previous rating list, the invitation will be given to the one with the higher published rating in the last rating list where they were not tied, going back month by month.

- 3.5 In case the player/s placed 4-8 in World Cup, decline their right to play the event for any reason by the deadline, the organizer shall take back their places as a wild card. All replacements must be done by **25 of October 12:00 CET**.
- 3.6 In case the player/s placed 9-16 in World Cup, decline their right to play the event for any reason by the deadline, the organizer shall take back their places as a wild card. All replacements must be done by **25 of October 12:00 CET**.
- 3.7 The two players from each continent – winners of the Continental Online Championship 2021 and the Continental School Championships 2021 are qualified to the Grand Prix Series. In case the mentioned player/players decline their right to play the event for any reason by the deadline or the mentioned championships have not been held on some continents, Continental federations are entitled to nominate 2 participants (or 2 other participants in case Continental or Continental school champions already qualified through World Cup) in each category, for a total of 20.
- 3.8 The time control will be 15 minutes + 10 second increment starting from the first move.
- 3.9 The competition can be held by hybrid system.

4. REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Registrations will be handled by the Continental & National Chess Federations through the registration forms.
- 4.2 **Registration deadline is October 15th, 12:00 CET, 2021.**
- 4.3 During the registration every player will have to register himself in the HIP with his real name and to ensure that his account is active and he is able to use it. Further instructions on how to register and manage the HIP will be issued before the Registration Deadline.
- 4.4 There is no registration fee for the players.

5. POINTS SYSTEM

- 5.1 In each GP tournament every player scores GP points according to her/his position in the final standings.
- 5.2 The winner of GP series is a player who scores the greatest number of points earned in all two tournaments. In the case of two or more players having equal number of points at the top of the GP Series standings, the following criteria (in descending order) is used to decide the GP Series winner:
 - Actual result points scored in the two tournaments.
 - No. of 1st places (clear 1st places is higher than first-second tie, first second tie is higher than first -third tie etc)
 - No. of 2nd places (clear 2nd place is higher than second-third tie, second-third tie is higher than second-fourth tie etc.);

- No. of wins
- Drawing of lots

PLACE	POINTS
1 st	160 points
2 nd	130 points
3 rd	90 points
4 th	80 points
5 th	70 points
6 th	60 points
7 th	50 points
8 th	40 points
9 th	30 points
10 th	20 points

6. HIP

6.1 The Organizing Committee is responsible for choosing the Hosting Internet Platform.

6.2 The HIP will be announced before the opening of the registrations.

7. SCHEDULE

CATEGORY	DATE	TIME & EVENT	ROUND
	September 20 - 25 th	Webinar: registration and use of HIP	
All	November 1 st	CET 12:00 – 13:00	Technical Meeting
All	November 1 st	CET 13:00 – 14:00	Arbiter Meeting
All	November 1 st	CET 15:00 – 15:30	Opening Ceremony
All	November 1 st	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 1 - 2
	November 2 nd	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 3 - 4
	November 3 rd	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 5 - 6
	November 4 th	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 7 - 8
	November 5 th	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 9 - 10
	November 6 th	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 11 - 12
	November 7 th	CET 16:00	Round 13
	November 8 th	Tie – break Day (if necessary) CET 16:00	
All	November 19 th	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 1 - 2
	November 20 th	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 3 - 4
	November 21 st	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 5 - 6
	November 22 nd	CET 16:00, CET 17:30	Round 7 - 8
	November 23 rd	CET 16:00	Round 9
	November 24 th	Tie – break Day (if necessary) CET 16:00	
All	November 25 th	CET 15:00	Closing Ceremony

The schedule can be modified at the organizer's discretion.

8. PAIRINGS AND TIE-BREAK OF THE SELECTIONS

8.1 A drawing of lots will take place on October 30st to determine the pairings. Players from the same federation shall not play against each other in the final round. The drawing will be recorded through zoom and available for the participants to watch.

8.2 Pairings and Tie-breaks will be handled by FIDE certified software under the responsibility of the Pairings Officer and the Chief Arbiter.

8.3 If two or more players score the same number of points, the tie is to be decided by the following criteria, in order of priority:

- The result of the games between the players involved in the tie
- The number of wins in the tournament of every player involved in the tie.
- Sonneborn – Berger System.

8.4 If there is a clear winner after applying the procedure described in 8.3, all other ties not broken by are decided by drawing of lots.

8.5 If there are two (2) players in tie for the first place after applying the procedure described in 8.2, a tie-break play-off (two games are played with time control of 5 minutes for each player. If there is still a tie, one 5/4 minutes game with no increment and the black qualifies if the game is drawn) is held between these players to determine the winner. All other ties not broken by 8.2 are decided by drawing of lots.

8.6 If there are more than two (2) players in tie for the first place after applying the procedure described in 8.3., the drawing of lots decides two (2) players who participate in a tie-break play-off (two games are played with time control of 5 minutes for each player. If there is still a tie, one 5/4 minutes game with no increment and the black qualifies if the game is drawn) to determine the winner. All other ties not broken by 8.3 are decided by drawing of lots.

8.7 If there are two or more players in tie for the second, third or next places, similar to 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6 criteria will be applied.

9. DISCONNECTIONS AND TECHNICAL ISSUES

9.1 It is every player's individual responsibility to have a working Internet connection for the duration of the tournament. If a player is disconnected from the server, the player may reconnect and continue the game while he still has time on the clock.

9.2 An individual delayed or lost connection may lead to a forfeit upon the decision of the Chief Arbiter.

9.3 In case of a force majeure event affecting several participants in different locations (e.g., a global or regional Internet outage, a power outage caused by a natural disaster, a widespread server-side failure), the Chief Arbiter will decide in the best interest of the competition upon consultations with the Online Play Administrator. This decision can include adding time to affected players; suspending, resuming, or replaying affected games; and other measures in the Chief Arbiter's sole discretion.

9.4 The Chief Arbiter's decisions under Art. 11.2 or 11.3 of these Regulations cannot be appealed.

10. FAIR PLAY

10.1 The fair-play measures are based on resources of HIP and FIDE approved external tools and follow FIDE's anti-cheating guidelines.

10.2 Anti-cheating matters will be governed by a fair-play panel (hereinafter referred to as FPP) nominated by the organizing Committee in consultation with the Chief Arbiter, consisting in fair-play experts.

10.3 During any stage of the tournament players will be required to join a ZOOM call, sharing their screen and activate their cameras.

10.4 At any moment, FPP works to ensure fair results for each game and may apply or suggest the chief arbiter any measures that it considers necessary and sufficient in order to ensure fair-play conditions during the tournament.

10.5 Based upon the results of the anti-cheating algorithm and/or other evidence deemed sufficient by the FPP to establish a cheating incident, the chief arbiter has the right to disqualify any player for a suspected fair-play violation during the course or after conclusion of any tournament. The disqualified player may be declared lost in all the games he/she played in the tournament. The decision of chief arbiter to disqualify a player for a suspected fair-play violation is final and is not subject to any appeal, review or other challenge.

10.6 Detailed information about each fair-play violation case on any stage of Event t is submitted to FIDE.

10.7 The Chief arbiter, in consultation with FPP may decide in the case of a clear or gross violation, or repeated violations, to refer the matter to the FIDE Ethics and Disciplinary Commission which may exclude the player from all official chess participation, including over-the-board events for a period up to 15 years.

10.8 By entering into the tournament each player accepts the above-mentioned Fair-Play measures as a condition of entry in a voluntary sports event and agrees that his/her participation takes place subject to these Fair-Play measures. Each player acknowledges and agrees that he/she consents to the transfer of all his/her personal data by HIP to FIDE, including his/her real name, games played, evidence of compliance with the fair play rules, including video recording of games (if any).

10.9 The organizer reserves the right to institute additional fair play rules before the start of the competition, based on FIDE's guidelines and best practices.

11. ARBITERS

11.1 FIDE President will appoint the Chief Arbiter and other arbiters of the event.

12. APPEALS

12.1 The FIDE President will appoint the chairman, two members of the Appeals Committee.

12.2 The Appeals Committee shall not accept or review any appeals against computer generated pairings, failed internet connection, decisions of the Chief Arbiter under art. 11.2 or 11.3, or fair play.

12.3 Any appeal against a decision of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted to the Appeals Committee

by the captain/representative of National federation in written form to the address youth@fide.com not later than 15 minutes after the end of the particular round and must be accompanied by a commitment to pay an amount of 200 euros, as a deposit. If the appeal is accepted, the deposit will not be charged. If the appeal is rejected, the deposit will be kept, unless the Appeals Committee decides otherwise.

12.4 Any member of the Appeals Committee cannot sit in judgement in a dispute involving one player from his/her Federation. In such case the Chairman will replace him with a substitute. In case the Chairman has to be replaced, the eldest member will act as the Chairman.

12.5 The Appeals Committee endeavour to decide as quick as possible. In case it finds it necessary, the Appeals Committee may summon the complainant and/or any other people. Refusal to participate to the session of the Appeals Committee is considered for the final decision.

12.6 The written decision of the Appeals Committee arising from any dispute in respect of these regulations is final.

13. PRIZES

	WINNER	II PLACE	III PLACE
UNDER 10 - 18 Open & Girls, All 10 Categories	The right to participate in FIDE ONLINE RAPID SUPER FINAL 2021 DIPLOMA	The right to participate in FIDE ONLINE RAPID SUPER FINAL 2021 DIPLOMA	The right to participate in FIDE ONLINE RAPID SUPER FINAL 2021 DIPLOMA

14. CONTACT INFORMATION

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