

Vilnius Open Chess Championship 2024

1. ORGANISATION

3 main events will take place: A (elite standard); B (amateur standard); C (children standard).

In addition, a **D (MRU Blitz) tournament** and evening E (chess variants) tournaments will be held.

Date – **29 July - 04 August, 2024.**

Venue – **Mykolas Romeris University** (Ateities str. 20, Vilnius)

Organisers – **Vilnius Chess Club, Mykolas Romeris University, VšĮ „AKA Šachmatai“**

Tournament Director – Kipras Eigminas (+37061378153, kipras.eigminas@gmail.com).

Chief Arbiter – NA Andrius Paulauskas (+37069623502, andrius.paulauskas96@gmail.com).

Organisers have the right to make the necessary changes to these regulations.

2. PARTICIPANTS

All chess players are invited to participate. Maximum sum of total A and B tournament participants – 120.

Tournament	A (Elite)	B (Amateur)	C (Children)	D (MRU Blitz)	E (Variants)
FIDE rating	≥ 2000	< 2200	< 1800	-	-
Age group	-	-	Born in 2010 and younger	-	-
Entry fee	70€	50€	30€	10€	5€

- GM, IM, WGM, WIM – no entry fee.
- FM, CM, WFM, WCM - get a 50% discount (in tournaments A, B and D).
- Other players whose FIDE standard chess rating is higher than 2200 get a 20% discount (tournaments A, B).
- Chess players whose FIDE standard chess rating is lower than 2000 but not lower than 1800 may participate in A tournament with an entry fee of 100€.
- Vilnius Chess Club members get an additional 10€ discount (tournaments A, B, C).

3. FORMAT

Tournament	A (Elite)	B (Amateur)	C (Children)	D (MRU Blitz)	E (Variants)
Rounds	9	7	9	11	Ch. “Variants”
Time control	90' + 30" + 30' after 40 moves	60' + 30"	30' + 30"	3' + 2"	Ch. “Variants”

A, B and C tournaments will be held using Swiss System by FIDE Standard chess laws, D tournament – using Swiss System by FIDE Blitz chess laws. FIDE ratings will be calculated.

The winner is determined by who scores the most points. In case of a tie, places will be determined based on these tiebreakers:

1. Median-Buchholz coefficient (minus the score of the worst opponent);
2. Full Buchholz coefficient;
3. Progress coefficient;
4. Berger coefficient.

4. REGISTRATION

Registration to tournaments A, B and C is held **until 14 July 2024 included**, via an email to the CA Andrius Paulauskas (andrius.paulauskas96@gmail.com) with a CC to the Director Kipras Eigminas (kipras.eigminas@gmail.com).

Should the maximum number of players be reached, the registration may end early. **After the deadline, the entry fee is increased by 50%.**

Please specify FIDE ID and the represented city when registering. Should a Lithuanian participant not be registered by FIDE, an email and **full** birth date must be provided. Foreign players must contact their national federations to acquire the FIDE ID.

Should a participant have special needs, please inform the organisers during the registration.

5. PAYMENT

The entry fee for A, B, C tournaments (non-refundable) is paid via a bank transfer before the end of the registration. Fees of tournaments D and E are paid in cash at the venue.

Beneficiary: Vilniaus šachmatų klubas, VŠĮ

Bank account: LT67 7044 0600 0791 4577

Company code: 303111749

Bank: AB SEB Bankas

SWIFT: CBVILT2X

Address: Adučiškio g. 3-3, Vilnius

6. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Tournament	A (elite)		B (amateur)		C (children)	
29 July (Monday)	Arrival	until 13:30			Arrival	until 10:30
	Opening	13:55			Opening	11:00
	Round I	14:00			Round I	11:05
					Round II	14:00
30 July (Tuesday)	Round II	11:00	Round III	16:30		
			Round III	17:00		
	Round IV	11:00	Round V	14:00		
31 July (Wednesday)	Round IV	14:00	Round VI	16:30		
			Round VII	11:00		
			Round VIII	14:00		
			Round IX	16:30		
1 August (Thursday)	Round V	11:00	Closing	19:00		
			Arrival	until 10:30		
	Round VI	17:00	Opening	11:00		
			Round I	11:05		
2 August (Friday)	Round VII	11:00	Round II	15:00		
			Round III	11:00		
	D tournament (MRU Blitz)		19:00			
3 August (Saturday)	Round VIII	15:00	Round IV	15:00		
			Round V	11:00		
4 August (Sunday)	Round IX	11:00	Round VII	11:00		
	Closing	16:00	Closing	14:00		

7. ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation is left up to participants themselves. Nearest accommodation option: Hotel Baltazaras. Should any additional assistance with it be needed, please contact Kipras Eigminas (+37061378153, kipras.eigminas@gmail.com)

8. PRIZES

Winners are awarded with monetary prizes, material prizes (Mp), cups (C) and medals (M).

If the minimum number of players is reached (In the A tournament – 40, B – 60, C – 60), a monetary prize fund of **4200€** is guaranteed. The prize fund may vary based on the number of players or if any additional sponsors are found.

Prize		A (elite)	B (amateur)	C (children)	D (blitz)
I place		500€ + CM	300€ + CM	Mp + CM	100€ + CM
II place		400€ + M	200€ + M	Mp + CM	70€ + M
III place		350€ + M	150€ + M	Mp + CM	50€ + M
IV place		300€	100€	Mp	40€
V place		250€	80€	Mp	30€
Women	I	150€ + CM	125€ + CM	Mp + CM	50€ + C
	II	125€ + M	100€ + M	Mp + CM	
	III	100€ + M	80€ + M	Mp + CM	
G10 I-III				Mp + CM	
B10 I-III				Mp + CM	
U18	I	100€ + C	80€		20€
U14		100€ + C	80€		20€
S60		100€ + C	80€		20€

Each player can only receive one (largest) monetary prize. Category prizes will be awarded in the aforementioned order, handing out money prizes first.

Prizes are guaranteed when there are at least 5 participants in the category.

9. VARIANTS

In the evenings of single round days, **E tournaments (variants)** will be held. The regulations (time control, format, number of rounds, tie-breaks) will depend on the number of players.

Expected duration: ~2 hours. Entry Fee – **5€**, prize fund – 100% of all Entry Fees.

Rules for the chess variants (in Lithuanian) – vilniuschess.lt/sachmatu-variacijos.

- 29 July 19:30 – **E1** [Hand & Brain](#) tournament.
- 31 July 19:30 – **E2** [Chess 960](#) tournament.
- 3 August 20:30 **E3** [Bughouse](#) tournament.