

Vilnius Open 2026

1. ORGANIZATION

Venue – **Panorama Hotel** (Seinų g. 14, Vilnius).

Turnyrai:

- **Vilnius Open – July 3-6, 2026** (Fri-Mon). Arrival – **July 3, 13:30**
- **Panorama Blitz – July 4, 2026** (Sat) **19:00**

Organizers – Vilnius Chess Club, VšĮ „AKA Šachmatai“.

Tournament Director – **NA Kipras Eigminas**.

Chief Arbiter – **FA Andrius Paulauskas** (+37069623502; andrius.paulauskas96@gmail.com)

Organizers reserve the right to make the necessary changes to these regulations.

2. PARTICIPANTS

Vilnius Open is open for all participants with FIDE rating ≤ 2399 . Entry fee – **50 Eur**, for [VCC members 2026](#) – **30 Eur**. FM, CM, WFM, WCM have 50% discount.

Panorama Blitz tournament has no rating limits, entry fee – **10 Eur**, [VCC members 2026](#) – **5 Eur**.

GM, IM, WGM, WIM and VCC Golden members – **0 Eur** in both tournaments.

Maximum number of participants – **121**.

*Vilnius Open players may request half-point bye (up to two times), excluding the last two rounds. The request should be submitted to the CA during the registration or until the start of the **previous** round.*

3. REGLAMENTAS

Vilnius Open – **8 round Swiss** according to FIDE Standard Chess rules (FIDE rated).

Time control: **60'+30''**

Default time – 30 min.

Panorama Blitz – **11 round Swiss** according to FIDE Blitz Chess laws (FIDE rated).

Time control: **3'+2''**

The winner is determined by the largest number of points. Tie-Breaks:

1. M-Buchholz (Cut 1) 2. Full Buchholz 3. Progressive score 4. Sonneborn-Berger

4. REGISTRATION

Vilnius Open: Registration is held until **June 25** inclusively, via an email to the CA Andrius Paulauskas (andrius.paulauskas96@gmail.com).

Until that date, it is mandatory to pay the entry fee by bank transfer **After the deadline, the entry fee is increased by 50%**. Late entry fee can be paid in cash at the venue.

Beneficiary	VšĮ Vilniaus šachmatų klubas
Bank account (SEB)	LT677044060007914577
Purpose	Vilnius Open 2026 (Name Surname)

Panorama Blitz registration is done at the venue, payment possible both via bank transfer and in cash.

Please specify the 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.

Participants of Vilnius Open may request official invitations after the payment is received.

5. SCHEDULE

Arrival – July 3 (Friday) until 13:30. Round 1 pairings are published at **13:40**

July 3 (Fri)	Opening & Round 1	14:00
	Round 2	18:00
July 4 (Sat)	Round 3	11:00
	Round 4	15:00
	PANORAMA BLITZ	19:00

July 5 (Sun)	Round 5	11:00
	Round 6	15:00
July 6 (Mon)	Round 7	10:00
	Round 8	14:00
	Closing	17:00

6. PRIZES

Winners are awarded with monetary prizes and medals

Prize Fund:

- **Vilnius Open – 3000 Eur**, guaranteed with at least of 60 participants
- **Panorama Blitz – 600 Eur**, guaranteed with at least of 60 participants

Prize		Open A	Panorama Blitz
I place		700€ + T	100€
II place		400€	70€
III place		350€	60€
IV place		300€	50€
V place		200€	40€
U18	I	100€	40€
U14		100€	40€
U10		100€	
S60		100€	40€
Women	I	150€	40€
	U18	50€	
	U14	50€	
Rating <=2000		100€	30€
Rating <=1800		100€	30€
Rating <=1600		100€	30€
Unrated		50€	30€

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.**

Participants who are placed **1-2 among players of Vilnius** in Vilnius Open qualify for **Vilnius Chess Championship 2026 Final Stage**, round-robin tournament that takes place in September-December 2026. Should a player refuse to participate, the right is passed to the next participant in the final standing.

7. ACCOMODATION

Accommodation options at Panorama Hotel (breakfast included):

- Single room – **52 Eur/d.**,
- Double room – **64 Eur/d.**

Additional local tax charge of **2 Eur per person a day** is applied.

Accommodation inquiries: Andrius Paulauskas (+37069623502, andrius.paulauskas96@gmail.com).