

# 60th Anniversary International Akiba Rubinstein Chess Festival

Polanica-Zdrój (Poland), 17-25 August 2024

## ORGANIZERS

- Lower Silesian Chess Association
- "Teatr Zdrojowy" - Culture and Promotion Centre in Polanica-Zdrój
- Polish Chess Federation
- LKS "Wrzos" Międzybórz

## TOURNAMENT GROUPS

- **GM ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT** (details in a separate announcement)
- **OPEN A** – tournament for players with a FIDE rating above 2000.
- **OPEN B** – tournament for players with a FIDE rating from 1800 to 2100.
- **OPEN C** – senior tournament: men over 60 years old, women over 50 years old.
- **OPEN D** – tournament for players with a FIDE rating below 2000 or without a FIDE rating.
- **OPEN E** – tournament for players with a FIDE rating below 1800 or without a FIDE rating.
- **OPEN F** – tournament for children under 14 years old.
- **OPEN G** – tournament for children under 14 years old, with a maximum national rating of 1250.

The organizer may admit players with a rating up to 100 points below the threshold specified in the criteria to OPEN A and OPEN B. The entry fee for these players will be increased by 50%.

Players with lower ratings will not be admitted!

Meeting the rating criterion is determined by the rating list for August 2024.

## PLAYING VENUES:

The main playing venue will be the **Zdrojowy Theatre** - Polanica-Zdrój, Parkowa Street 2.

The remaining playing venues and the division among the various tournament groups will be given in subsequent announcements.

**FESTIVAL WEBSITE:**     [www.rubinstein.dzszach.pl](http://www.rubinstein.dzszach.pl)

## CONTACT, REGISTRATIONS:

One can register latest on 9 August 2024 by email: [polanica@dzszach.pl](mailto:polanica@dzszach.pl)

or online through the application form on the tournament website: [www.rubinstein.dzszach.pl](http://www.rubinstein.dzszach.pl)

## TOURNAMENT RULES

OPEN tournaments will be played in the Swiss system, 9 rounds.

Rate of game:

- OPEN A: 90 min/40 moves + 15 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move 1.
- Other groups: 90 minutes + 30 seconds from move 1 for all the game.

OPEN A, B, C, D, E, and F will be FIDE rated. The current FIDE rules apply.

Any player who arrives at the chessboard after the default time – 30 minutes – shall lose the game.

Players are allowed two half-point byes in rounds 1-7, provided they give adequate notice and sign the bye-request paper by the arbiters' table, at the latest, before the end of the previous round.

The place occupied in the tournament is determined by the following order: number of points, Buchholz CUT-1, Buchholz, Berger, progress, direct encounter, number of wins, and number of wins with black.

## PRIZES

	OPEN A	OPEN B	OPEN C	OPEN D	OPEN E
1 <sup>st</sup> place	6000 PLN	3000 PLN	1500 PLN	2000 PLN	1500 PLN
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	4000 PLN	2000 PLN	1200 PLN	1500 PLN	1200 PLN
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	3000 PLN	1500 PLN	1000 PLN	1200 PLN	1000 PLN

At least 10% of participants will be awarded in each tournament.

Other prizes will be published before the fourth round of the Festival.

Money prizes are given in gross amounts. According to Polish law, prizes up to 2000 PLN are untaxed, while a 10% tax applies to all other prizes.

In OPEN F and G the best U14, U10 and U8 players will be given non-financial prizes.

All participants of OPEN F and G will receive gifts.

## ENTRY FEE

- OPEN A – 55 EUR
- OPEN B – 44 EUR
- OPEN C – 37 EUR, players born in 1944 or earlier pay no entry fee
- OPEN D – 42 EUR
- OPEN E – 40 EUR
- OPEN F – 35 EUR
- OPEN G – 28 EUR

The entry fee includes Polish Chess Federation rating and FIDE registration fees.

Players with a GM, IM, WGM title pay no entry fee.

Players with a GM title are welcome to contact the organizer to agree upon individual conditions of participation.

Players who participate in 2 tournament groups receive a 10% discount on the entry fee.

Groups consisting of at least 10 players are welcome to contact us about discounts.

Entry fees (in EUR) shall be paid to the following bank account:

IBAN: PL 18 1600 1462 1084 8379 4000 0001

BIC/SWIFT: PPABPLPKXXX

Owner: Dolnoslaski Zwiazek Szachowy (Lower Silesian Chess Federation)

Adress of the Organizer: Poland, 50-529 Wroclaw, Borowska 1-3

Foreign players who prefer to pay in cash are asked to contact us in advance.

Players who have paid the entry fee on time and whose name has been marked on the starting list do not have to confirm their presence in the festival office - they can come directly to the first round of their group.

## FESTIVAL OFFICE

The Festival office will be open in the Zdrojowy Theatre (Polanica-Zdrój, Parkowa Street 2) at the following hours:

- 16.08.2024 from 16:00 to 20:00;
- 17.08.2024 from 9:00 to 13:00;
- 18-25.08.2024 from 12:00 to 16:00.

## FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

<b>Morning Groups:</b>	<b>Afternoon Groups:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>OPEN B</b> (ELO 1800 - 2100)</li><li>• OPEN E (ELO &lt;= 1800)</li><li>• OPEN F (Under 14)</li><li>• OPEN G (Under 14, Nat. Rating &lt;= 1250)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• OPEN A (ELO &gt;= 2000)</li><li>• OPEN C (seniors)</li><li>• <b>OPEN D</b> (ELO &lt;= 2000)</li></ul>
16.08.2024, at 20:00 - registration deadline 17.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 1 18.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 2 19.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 3 20.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 4 21.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 5 22.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 6 23.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 7 24.08.2024, at 9:30 – round 8 25.08.2024, at 9:00 – round 9 25.08.2024, at 13:30 – closing ceremony	17.08.2024, at 12:00 - registration deadline 17.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 1 18.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 2 19.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 3 20.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 4 21.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 5 22.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 6 23.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 7 24.08.2024, at 15:00 – round 8 25.08.2024, at 14:00 – round 9 25.08.2024, at 19:00 – closing ceremony

## ACCOMPANYING TOURNAMENTS

### Preliminary schedule of accompanying tournaments

- Sunday, 18.08.2024 at 15:30 – Blitz chess tournament
- Monday, 19.08.2024 at 15:30 – Rapid chess tournament
- Tuesday, 20.08.2024 at 15:30 – Bughouse chess tournament
- Tuesday, 20.08.2024 at 20:30 – Evening blitz
- Wednesday, 21.08.2024 at 15:30 – Fischer random chess tournament
- Thursday, 22.08.2024 at 15:30 – Blitz chess tournament
- Friday, 23.08.2024 at 20:30 – Evening blitz
- Saturday, 24.08.2024 at 15:30 – Rapid chess tournament

Entry fee for rapid, blitz, and Fischer random chess tournaments – 30 PLN,  
Bughouse chess tournament – 40 PLN/pair.

## FINAL PROVISIONS

Players or their guardians are responsible for their physical ability to play.

Players insure themselves at their own expense.

The final interpretation of these regulations belongs to the organizer.

The organizer reserves the right to change these regulations.

Participation in the Festival is equivalent to consent to the processing of personal data by the organizer to the extent necessary for the organization of the competition: publication of results, reporting by DZSzach, PZSzach, and FIDE. The organizer reserves the right to use free of charge audiovisual materials produced during the tournament, in particular photos and film materials presenting participants for documentation purposes.