



SENIOR MASTER PAN-AMERICAN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP ABSOLUTE AND FEMALE (OVER 50 & 65)

NEIVA – HUILA
OCTOBER 10 TO 16, 2017

1. INVITATION

The Confederation of Chess for America (CCA), The Colombian Chess Federation (FECODAZ), The Chess League of Huila, the Sports Institute of Huila (INDERHUILA), with the support of the Governorate of Huila, are pleased to invite all National Chess Federations of the American Continent to the Senior Master Pan-American Chess Championship Absolute (Over 50 & 65), to be held in the city of Neiva – Colombia, from October 10 to 16, 2017, will be played the categories Absolute and Female +50 and Absolute +65.

Neiva is a Colombian municipality, capital of the state of Huila. Is located between the Central and Occidental mountain range, in a plain over the Eastern margin of the Magdalena River, in the valley with the same name, crossed by Las Ceibas River and the Oro river. His territorial extension is 1533km², height of 442 mts over sea level and average temperature of 27.7 C. His metropolitan area has an economy very dynamic, based in ecotourism, gastronomy and commerce.





2. THE ORGANIZATION

The Senior Master Pan-American Chess Championship (Over 50 & 65) is organized by the Colombian Chess Federation (FECODAZ), THE Chess League of Huila and the Sports Institute of Huila, with the support of the Governorate of Huila.

3. PARTICIPANTS

The Senior Master Pan-American Chess Championship (Over 50 & 65) is an open tournament (without minimum requirement of ELO FIDE). Each Federation may enter the amount of players they want. All participants must have been born in or before 1967 and 1952 respectively. All participants must cover all the participation costs, inscription, transport and accreditation.

PERSONAL RIGHTS: These players have the right to participate in the tournament with free accommodation and meals according to conditions offered by the event:

- The top three classified, in each category, in the Pan-American Tournament 2016.
- One player per each zone of America, defined by the president of each zone.

GAME SYSTEM

The tournaments will be played under the Swiss system of 9 rounds, using the Swiss Manager program, with a time of 90 minutes for the first 40 movements plus 30 minutes to finish, with an increase in this last phase of 30 seconds per move (considering the event will give international titles). (MUY LARGO, NO PERMITE 2 RONDAS AL DIA)

In each category (50&65) will be played only one tournament (combining men and women if there is less than 9 female players) it will be given separate classification in the Absolute and Female categories including the titles once there are more than 3 flags and 7 players.





TIEBREAKERS

- According to the established by the Handbook Fide 2014:
- Direct encounter. Only if they all have played each other
- Highest number of victories
- Bucholz with cuts
- Bucholz
- Sonneborn-Berger

REGISTRATION

Players must be registered by the corresponding Federation before the end of Monday, October 03, 2017, until 24:00, by email sent to fecodaz@gmail.com.

For the registration of an athlete to be considered complete, he must provide the next information: complete names and surnames, identity document (Passport number), FIDE ID, current photo passport size. This information must be confirmed on arrival with the Passport for verification purposes.

Participants must pay for the registration HUNDRED DOLLARS (USD \$100.00). This amount includes the statutory fee for the Confederation of Chess for America (40 USD), registration, internal transportation (airport-hotel-airport) or (transport terminal-hotel-transport terminal) and cockade. The referred payment is obligatory to make before October 02, after that date a fine of (USD 50) must be paid. Each Federation will be responsible for the payment of registrations made and the costs incurred by non-presentation of registered players.

1. SITE OF GAME

The tournament will be played in the IGUA saloon, name of the native tree of Neiva, in CHICALÁ hotel, official headquarters of housing of the event.

2. OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The official hotel of the tournament will be the Hotel Chicalá, located in calle 6 No. 2-57-center, Neiva – Huila. Request reservation to Fecodaz until September 20, 2017. Colombian athletes, technical and accompanying players will have preferential rates at the hotel of the organization.



Accommodation costs Hotel CHICALÁ:

Four hundred and twenty US dollars (USD 420.00). This rate includes: accommodation for 6 nights (October 10 to 16).

Complete meals (breakfast – lunch and dinner), from dinner on October 10 to lunch on October 16.

Double or triple room: three hundred and forty dollar (USD 340.00). This rate includes: accommodation for 6 nights (October 10 to 16). Complete meals (breakfast-lunch and dinner), from dinner on October 10 to lunch on October 16.

All foreign participants must register in the hotel CHICALÁ, calle 6 No. 2-57-center, Neiva – Huila. Without exception.

All fees mentioned in this invitation refer to US dollars, payable in Colombian Exchange of 3.000 COP.

PREFERENTIAL RATES FOR COLOMBIAN PLAYERS: in order to encourage the participation of Colombian players, Fecodaz offers the following discount, including the possibility of accommodation and meals at the official hotel:

Complete accommodation (with breakfast – lunch and dinner) in single room plus registration and transport (airport-hotel-airport) or (transport terminal-hotel-transport terminal), and cockade. USD 450.

Complete accommodation (with breakfast – lunch and dinner) in double or triple room plus registration and transport (airport-hotel-airport) or (transport terminal-hotel-transport terminal), and cockade. USD 370.

PAYMENT

Registrations and associated payments can be made depositing the money in the savings account of the Colombian Chess Federation – saving account 049036147-44 of Bancolombia Bank until October 02, 2017.

No player can play without meeting the requirement. Foreign participants in this account:



- Beneficiary's Bank: Bancolombia
- Swift code: COLOCOBM
- Address: calle 30A # 6 – 75 first floor Torre Sur Bogotá D.C
- Beneficiary's Account: 049036147-44 (saving account)
- Account Name: Federación Colombiana de Ajedrez
- Telephone Number: (571) 755 2940 - 7552941
- Payment Reference: Pagos Panamericano Senior Master Ajedrez 2017

3. TOURNAMENTS AUTHORITIES

Honor Committee:

- ✓ Dr. Carlos Julio González Villa – Governor of the department of Huila
- ✓ Mr. Jorge Vega – President of the Confederation of Chess for America (CCA)
- ✓ Mrs. Clara Luz Roldán González – Director of Coldeportes Colombia
- ✓ Dr. Baltazar Medina – Director of the Colombian Olympic Committee (COC)
- ✓ Dr. Javier Vergara – Alternate Fiscal of the Colombian Olympic Committee (COC)
- ✓ Ing. Luis Pérez Carrillo – President of the Colombian Chess Federation (FECODAZ)
- ✓ Dr. Jorge Silva – Vice-president of the Colombian Chess Federation (FECODAZ)

Organization committee:

- ✓ General Director of the tournament: Dr. Carlos Rodríguez Mora – Director Inderhuila
- ✓ Technical Director: Mr. Juan David Palomares – President of the Chess League of Huila



4. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

DAY AND HOUR OF ARRIVAL	October 10, 2017	ALL DAY
Technical Meeting	October 10, 2017	20:00hrs
Opening	October 11, 2017	9:00hrs
Round 1	October 11, 2017	10:00hrs
Round 2	October 11, 2017	16:00hrs
Round 3	October 12, 2017	15:00hrs
Round 4	October 12, 2017	10:00hrs
Free day	October 13, 2017	Tour courtesy of the organization (TATACOA DESERT-TERMINALES DE RIVERA)
Round 6	October 14, 2017	15:00hrs
Round 7	October 15, 2017	10:00hrs
Round 8	October 15, 2017	16:00hrs
Round 9	October 16, 2017	10:00hrs
Awards and Closing	October 16, 2017	17:00hrs
Departure	October 16, 2017	20:00hrs

5. PRIZES

Will be awarded the three top of each category with trophies. It will be given participation certificates to all the players.

The prize pot for the Championship will be of US \$3100.

CATEGORY	PLACE	DOLLARS
Absolute +50	1st Place	500
Absolute +50	2nd Place	350
Absolute +50	3rd Place	250
Absolute +50	4th Place	180
Absolute +50	5th Place	120
Absolute +50	6th Place	150
TOTAL		1550



CATEGORY	PLACE	DOLLARS
Absolute +65	1st Place	500
Absolute +65	2nd Place	350
Absolute +65	3rd Place	250
Absolute +65	4th Place	180
Absolute +65	5th Place	120
Absolute +65	Best Lady	150
TOTAL		1550

To opt for the Best Lady prize, it is required a minimum of five (5) women players per category.

RIGHTS

The tournament will be valid for the International Rating and will give titles and norms according to the regulations of "FIDE Titles".

6. APPEALS COMMITTEE

During the technical meeting an Appeals Committee will be elected. It will consist of three (3) members and two substitutes. A protest against an arbitration decision must be submitted in writing to the Appeals Committee within the two hours following the end of the round, accompanied by a deposit of 50 US\$, which will be returned if the decision is favorable to the claimant. The Committee can decide to do the refund of the deposit, if they consider equally relevant the appeal. The decision of the committee is final and of immediate effect.



INFORMATION, INSCRIPTIONS AND BOOKING

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