

2020 GCT Event Regulations

1. Preamble

The following Event regulations shall apply to the two Classical events and the three Rapid and Blitz events that will form part of the regular tour season of the 2020 Grand Chess Tour.

2. Rapid & Blitz Event Regulations

2.1. Prize Fund:

The total prize fund for each of the Rapid & Blitz Events shall be One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) which shall be distributed as follows:

| 2020 Grand Chess Tour - Rapid & Blitz Events Prize Fund Distribution | | | |
|--|----------|------------------|----------|
| Place | Prize | Place | Prize |
| 1 st | \$37,500 | 6 th | \$10,000 |
| 2 nd | \$25,000 | 7 th | \$9,000 |
| 3 rd | \$20,000 | 8 th | \$8,000 |
| 4 th | \$15,000 | 9 th | \$7,000 |
| 5 th | \$12,500 | 10 th | \$6,000 |
| Total Prize Fund: \$150,000 | | | |

2.2. Rapid Chess Format and Time Limit:

Format: 10-player Round Robin

Time Limit: Game in twenty-five (25) minutes, with a ten (10) second increment from move 1.

2.3. Blitz Chess Format and Time Limit

Format: 10-player Double Round Robin

Time Limit: Game in five (5) minutes, with a two (2) second increment from move 1.

2.4. Event Schedules

The schedules for the three rapid and blitz events are as follows:

| 2020 Paris Grand Chess Tour | | | |
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| Date | Event | Date | Event |
| June 22 | Player Arrival and Technical Meeting | June 26 | Rapid Day 3 |
| June 23 | Corporate Day & Opening Ceremony | June 27 | Blitz Day 1 |
| June 24 | Rapid Day 1 | June 28 | Blitz Day 2, Playoffs, Closing Ceremony |
| June 25 | Rapid Day 2 | June 29 | Player Departure |

| 2020 Croatia Rapid & Blitz | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|---|
| Date | Event | Date | Event |
| July 2 | Player Arrival and Technical Meeting | July 6 | Rapid Day 3 |
| July 3 | Corporate Day & Opening Ceremony | July 7 | Blitz Day 1 |
| July 4 | Rapid Day 1 | July 8 | Blitz Day 2, Playoffs, Closing Ceremony |
| July 5 | Rapid Day 2 | July 9 | Player Departure |

| 2020 St Louis Rapid & Blitz | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Date | Event | Date | Event |
| August 22 | Player Arrival | August 27 | Rapid Day 3 |
| August 23 | Photos & Interviews | August 28 | Blitz Day 1 |
| August 24 | Technical Meeting & Opening Ceremony | August 29 | Blitz Day 2 |
| August 25 | Rapid Day 1 | August 30 | Playoffs, Autograph Session & Closing Ceremony |
| August 26 | Rapid Day 2 | August 31 | Player Departure |

3. Classical Event Regulations

3.1. Prize Fund:

The total prize fund for each of the Classical Events shall be Three Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000) which shall be distributed as follows:

| 2020 Grand Chess Tour – Classical Events Prize Fund Distribution | | | |
|--|----------|------------------|----------|
| Place | Prize | Place | Prize |
| 1 st | \$90,000 | 6 th | \$20,000 |
| 2 nd | \$60,000 | 7 th | \$17,500 |
| 3 rd | \$45,000 | 8 th | \$15,000 |
| 4 th | \$30,000 | 9 th | \$12,500 |
| 5 th | \$25,000 | 10 th | \$10,000 |
| Total Prize Fund: \$325,000 | | | |

3.2. Format and Time Limit

Format: 10-player Round Robin

Time Limit: 90 minutes for 40 moves and 30 minutes for the rest of the game; plus 30 seconds increment from move 1.

3.3. Event Schedule

| 2020 Superbet Chess Classic Romania | | | |
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| Date | Event | Date | Event |
| May 3 | Player Arrival & Technical Meeting | May 10 | Rest Day |
| May 4 | Corporate Day & Opening Ceremony | May 11 | Round 6 |
| May 5 | Round 1 | May 12 | Round 7 |
| May 6 | Round 2 | May 13 | Round 8 |
| May 7 | Round 3 | May 14 | Round 9 |
| May 8 | Round 4 | May 15 | Playoffs (If required), Awards Gala & Charity Dinner |
| May 9 | Round 5 | May 16 | Player Departure |

| 2020 Siquefield Cup | | | |
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| Date | Event | Date | Event |
| August 29 | Player Arrival | September 5 | Rest Day |
| August 30 | Technical Meeting, Autograph Session & Opening Ceremony | September 6 | Round 6 |
| August 31 | Round 1 | September 7 | Round 7 |
| September 1 | Round 2 | September 8 | Round 8 |
| September 2 | Round 3 | September 9 | Round 9 |
| September 3 | Round 4 | September 10 | Playoffs (If required) Closing Ceremony |
| September 4 | Round 5 | September 11 | Player Departure |