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11th Corinth Open Tournament

GENERAL

The Chess Club "Argonaytis" announces the 11th Corinth Open Tournament, with international ELO Standard rating, which will be held from Sunday, December 27 through Wednesday, December 30, in three rating groups.

TOURNAMENT SYSTEM

Swiss system, 7 rounds. Depending on the number of entries in Group B and Group C, the organizer reserves the right to reduce the tournament by one round or to merge the smaller groups, depending on participation.

TIME CONTROL

Games will be played with a time control of 90 minutes per player to complete the game, plus an additional thirty (30) seconds per move, starting from move one.

Recording the moves is mandatory.

VENUES

Group A will be held at the Academy premises, Koliatsou 112 Street, for the first 32 boards. If there are more than 64 entries, the excess tables will be hosted at the 3rd Primary School (Kyprou 119).

Groups B and C will be held in the classrooms of the 3rd Primary School (50 meters from the Academy premises). The two venues are connected by the seafront pedestrian walkway. (2-minute walk).

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 27, 2026

Confirmation of participation: 09:30 – 10:15 a.m. (Academy Hall, Koliatsou 112)

Pairings Opening Ceremony 10:15-10:30

Start of Round 1: 10:30 a.m.

Round 2: 17:30

Monday, December 28, 2026

Round 3: 10:30 a.m.

Round 4: 17:30

Tuesday, December 29, 2026

Round 5: 10:30 a.m.

Round 6: 17:30

Wednesday, December 30, 2026

Round 7: 10:00 a.m.

Awards ceremony at 15:00, immediately after the end of play.

Schedule

Day	Round	Time
Sunday, December 27	1st Round	10:30 a.m.
	2nd Round	17:30
Monday, December 28	3rd Round	10:30 a.m.
	4th Round	17:30
Tuesday, December 29	5th Round	10:30 a.m.
	6th Round	17:30
Wednesday, December 30	7th Round	10:00 a.m.
	Awards Ceremony	15:00

ELIGIBILITY

All chess players holding an active membership card with the Hellenic Chess Federation (registration/renewal fee paid) or FIDE ID (for foreign participants).

Players with an ELO rating above 1700 are eligible for Group A.

Players with an ELO rating below 1600 are eligible for Group B.

Unrated players under 10 years of age are eligible for Group C.

Players with an ELO between 1600-1700 can take part in any of the two strongest groups. Players with ELO below 1600 can take part in the A' Group with additional fee.

The ELO rating used will be the one published by FIDE in early December. A player who, during the year 2026, has crossed the Group A eligibility threshold is admitted to Group A as normal, with no additional fee.

Entries/registrations will be accepted until Saturday, December 27, 2026, at 22:00, by email at argonaytis.chess@gmail.com or by contacting Mr. D. Alepoudeas at telephone 6955478184 (pm hours).

ENTRY FEES

Titled participants (GM, IM, FM) with an ELO rating above 2200 take part free of charge.

For Group A, participants pay an entry fee of forty (40) euros. For players with an ELO rating between 2100 and 2200, for siblings, or for two participants from the same family, the fee is set at thirty (30) euros. A third child of the same family takes part free of charge.

For athletes of the club, the entry fee is set at thirty (30) euros. For a second child from the same family, the entry fee is set at twenty-five (25) euros, while a third child takes part free of charge.

Rated athletes who do not meet the above criteria but wish to play in Group A will be charged an additional 10 euros on top of the base entry fee.

For Group B, participants pay an entry fee of thirty-five (35) euros. For siblings, or for two participants from the same family, the fee is set at twenty-five (25) euros. A third child from the same family takes part free of charge.

For athletes of the club, the entry fee for Group B is twenty-five (25) euros. For a second child from the same family, or for two participants from the same family, the entry fee is set at twenty (20) euros, and a third child takes part free of charge.

For Group C, participants pay an entry fee of thirty (30) euros, payable at the venue before the start of Round 1. For siblings, the fee is set at 25 euros.

Clubs entering more than 8 athletes will receive a 10% discount on the base entry fee. Athletes with disabilities (AMEA) receive a 50% discount on the base entry fee.

Entry fees will be collected prior to the commencement of the first round and are used to cover prizes and the general expenses of the tournament.

ENTRY FEE SCHEDULE

Group A

Category / Rating Range	Entry Fee
Titled FIDE players >2200	Free entry
FIDE rating 2100 – 2200	30 €
FIDE rating 1600 – 2100	40 €
FIDE rating < 1600	50 €

Group B

Category / Rating Range	Entry Fee
FIDE rating < 1700	35 €

Group C

Category / Rating Range	Entry Fee
General entry fee (Children U10)	30 €

Discounts (not cumulative):

- Club members: €10 discount on the entry fee
- Family discount (2 members): Additional €5 discount per entry
- Family discount (3+ members): €10 discount for the 1st sibling – 3rd child of the family free
- Family discount for club members (2 members): Additional 5€ discount per entry
- Family discount for club members (3rd child of the family): Free
- Persons with disabilities: 50% discount on the standard entry fee
- Clubs entering more than 8 athletes will receive a 10% discount on the base entry fee

PRIZES

Group A

Overall Standings:

- 1st place: Gold medal & cash prize (500 Euro)
- 2nd place: Silver medal & cash prize (400 Euro)
- 3rd place: Bronze medal & cash prize (200 Euro)

Top Woman: Gold medal & cash prize (200 Euro)

Top finisher from Argonaytis: Gold medal & cash prize (100 Euro)

Age category winners (gold medal each):

- 1st over 50
- 1st under 18
- 1st under 16
- 1st under 14
- 1st under 12

Group B

Overall Standings:

- 1st place: Gold medal, cash prize & free entry to the next Open (100 Euro)
- 2nd place: Silver medal & free entry to the next Open
- 3rd place: Bronze medal & free entry to the next Open

Top Woman: Gold medal

Top finisher from Argonaytis: Gold medal

Age category winners (gold medal each):

- 1st under 16
- 1st under 14
- 1st under 12
- 1st under 10

Group C

Overall Standings:

- 1st place: Gold medal
- 2nd place: Silver medal
- 3rd place: Bronze medal

Each athlete receives the single highest-value prize for which they qualify. A player who withdraws from the tournament forfeits any prize entitlement. Medals in age categories will be awarded only if at least 3 athletes compete in that category.

Depending on the number of entries, the organizer reserves the right to merge Groups B and C.

TIE-BREAK CRITERIA

In the event of a tie, the following criteria are applied to break it:

- 1. The result of the game(s) between the tied players
- 2. Buchholz (sum of opponents' scores)
- 3. Buchholz Cut 1
- 4. Sonneborn–Berger

BYES / WITHDRAWALS

A bye is permitted for any of the first 3 rounds. A bye taken in either of the first two rounds will be awarded 0.5 points.

A player who is unjustifiably absent from a round for which the pairings have already been published, without notifying the organizers, will automatically be excluded from the remainder of the tournament.

APPEALS

Appeals are heard by a three-member appeals committee, upon payment of a 90-euro fee. The committee is appointed before the start of the tournament. An appeal against a decision of the three-member committee may be lodged in writing, in accordance with the regulations of the Hellenic Chess Federation (ESO) and must be submitted to the organizers immediately after the end of the round and the announcement of the decision. If the appeal is upheld, even in part, the fee is refunded.

ACCOMMODATION

Athletes and their companions are free to choose their own accommodation. Suggested hotels: "Apollon Philoxenia," "Efya," and "Avant Blue Boutique."

STANDINGS / RESULTS / ENTRIES

Standings, results, and entries will be published at <https://chess-results.com>.

FAIR PLAY

The FIDE Fair Play and Anti-Cheating regulations apply and can be found at: <https://fpl.fide.com/anti-cheating-regulations/>.

The organizers have the right to apply preventive measures against possible attempts at electronic cheating or assistance and may carry out checks on players upon entry to the venue or during play. The use of electronic devices within the venue is prohibited. The organizers have the right to use special equipment to ensure that no such device enters the venue. Participants are strongly advised not to bring such devices with them. If participants bring electronic devices and leave them outside the venue, the organizers bear no responsibility in the event such devices are lost.

REGULATIONS

The regulations of FIDE and the Hellenic Chess Federation apply, as well as the applicable public health guidelines. For any matter not covered by this announcement, the competent authority is the Tournament Director for organizational matters, or the Chief Arbiter for competition matters.

At all events held at the Argonaytis Academy, or at any other public venue hosting a tournament under the auspices of the Club, photography and video recording of athletes is permitted only by the event's authorized photographer.

Such photographic or audiovisual material may lawfully be used only by the Corinth Chess Club "Argonaytis," for the purpose of promoting the tournament and the sport of chess in general.

By taking part, competitors consent to the use of photographs for the purposes described above.