



CONFEDERATION OF CHESS FOR AMERICA

REGULATIONS FOR THE PANAMERICAN JUNIORS/GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP

1. FREQUENCY.

- 1.1 THE PANAMERICAN JUNIORS/GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP SHALL BE ORGANIZED ANNUALLY UNDER THE AEGIS OF CCA BY A FEDERATION ENTRUSTED WITH THIS TASK BY THE CONTINENTAL ASSEMBLY, AT LEAST ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE.

IN THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES THE WORDS "HE", "HIM" ,ETC, STANDS FOR "SHE", "HER", ETC.

- 1.2 THE PANAMERICAN FOR BOTH JUNIORS AND GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP SHALL BE HELD, IF POSSIBLE , AT A SINGLE VENUE, HOWEVER IN EXCEPTIONAL CASES AS DETERMINED BY THE CONTINENTAL ASSEMBLY, OR BETWEEN THE ASSEMBLIES BY THE CONTINENTAL BOARD, SEPARATED VENUES MAY BE USED FOR THE JUNIORS ´AND GIRLS ´S CHAMPIONSHIPS.

2. PARTICIPATION.

- 2.1 THE PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE NOT REACHED HIS 21ST BIRTHDAY ON JANUARY THE 1ST OF THE YEAR IN WHICH THE CHAMPIONSHIP IS HELD.

- 2.2 EACH FEDERATION BELONGING TO CCA SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEND ONE REPRESENTATIVE TO EACH CHAMPIONSHIP. THE ORGANIZING FEDERATION WILL HAVE A SECOND PLACE AND WILL HOLD A PLAYER IN RESERVE TO MAKE AN EVEN NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS. A FEDERATION MAY BE REPRESENTED BY A GIRL IN A BOY CHAMPIONSHIP.

- 2.2.1 BESIDES THE PARTICIPATION ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE 2.2 EACH FEDERATION MAY SEND AS MANY PARTICIPANTS AS IT WISHES, SUBJECT TO PAYMENT OF THEIR BOARD AND LODGING, FOR WHICH THEIR FEDERATION SHALL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE. THIS PARTICIPANTS MUST FULFIL THE CONDITIONS OF ARTICLE 2.1.

- 2.2.2 THE PLAYERS PLACED 1-3 IN THE PREVIOUS CHAMPIONSHIP AND THE CURRENT PANAMERICA BOYS (GIRLS) U-18 AND U-16 CHAMPIONS WILL HAVE A PERSONAL RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP IF THEY FULFIL THE CONDITIONS OF ARTICLE 2.1

- 2.2.3 THE PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A WRITTEN ACCREDITATION FROM THEIR OWN FEDERATION AS REGISTERD PLAYERS.

- 2.3 AT LEAST FIVE MONTHS BEFORE THE START OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP THE ORGANIZERS SHALL SEND TO THE CONTINENTAL PRESIDENT THE INVITATION LETTER FOR HIS APPROVAL.

- 2.4 AT LEAST FOUR MONTHS BEFORE THE START OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP AND AFTER THE CONTINENTAL PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL THE ORGANIZERS SHALL SEND THE INVITATION LETTER TO ALL FEDERATIONS BELONGING TO CCA. COPIES OF THE INVITATION WILL BE SENT TO THE CONTINENTAL PRESIDENT AND THE ZONAL PRESIDENTS.
- 2.5 AT LEAST TWO MONTHS BEFORE THE START OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP EACH FEDERATION ACCEPTING THE INVITATION SHALL REGISTER ITS ENTRIES WITH THE ORGANIZERS. THE BIRTHDAY OF PARTICIPANTS MUST BE GIVEN AND MUST CORRESPOND WITH THE BIRTHDATE GIVEN IN HIS PASSPORT OR TRAVEL DOCUMENT.
- 2.6 PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION EACH PARTICIPANT MUST PAY TO CCA THE ENTRY FEE QUOTED IN ARTICLE 2.5, CCA FINANCIAL REGULATIONS (USD 75 PER PLAYERS). COPY OF THE PAYMENT MUST BE GIVEN TO THE ORGANIZER, HOWEVER IF NO PAYMENT HAVE BEEN DONE IN ADVANCE, PLAYERS MAY PAY IT BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST ROUND. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL BE ALLOW TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEE.

3. PLAYING SCHEDULE.

- 3.1 THE CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL NOT LAST MORE THAN 14 DAYS, INCLUDING THE OFFICIAL DAYS OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE,
- 3.2 THE SEVENTH DAY SHALL BE A FREE DAY.
- 3.3 WHEN THE CHAMPIONSHIP HAS 12 OR FEWER PARTICIPANTS THE EVENT SHALL BE PLAYED IN A ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT.
- 3.4 WHEN THE CHAMPIONSHIP HAS 14-18 PARTICIPANTS A 9 ROUNDS SWISS SYSTEM SHALL BE PLAYED.
- 3.5 WHEN THE TOURNAMENT HAS MORE THAN 18 PARTICIPANTS A 11 ROUNDS SWISS SYSTEM SHALL BE PLAYED.
- 3.6 PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PRESENT AT THE OPENING CEREMONY THAT SHALL BE HELD IN THE EVENING OF THE DAY OF ARRIVAL.

4. PLAYING CONDITIONS.

- 4.1 THE CHAMPIONSHIP SHALL BE PLAYED ACCORDING THE FIDE LAWS OF CHESS.
- 4.2 IN EACH GAME THE SESSION OF PLAY SHALL BE SEVEN HOURS WITH THREE TIME CONTROLS: 40 MOVES IN THE FIRST TWO HOURS, THEN 20 MOVES IN ONE HOUR, THEN HALF AN HOUR TO FINISH THE GAME WITH ACCUMULATION OF TIME, PER PLAYER. ANOTHER FIDE APPROVED TIME CONTROL CAN BE USED
- 4.3 AN OFFICIAL FIDE SWISS SYSTEM RULES SHALL BE USED. IN CASE OF COMPUTER PAIRINGS AN OFFICIAL FIDE SWISS PROGRAM SHALL BE USED.

5. CHIEF ARBITER AND HIS ASSISTANTS.

- 5.1 THE CONTINENTAL PRESIDENT, AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE ORGANIZERS, SHALL APPOINT THE CHIEF ARBITER.
- 5.2 THE ORGANIZERS MAY APPOINT AS MANY DEPUTY AND ASSISTANT ARBITERS AS NECESSARY.
- 5.3 THE ORGANIZERS MUST PROVIDE FREE BOARD AND LODGING TO THE CHIEF ARBITER, REFUND HIS TRAVEL COST AND PAY HIM IN USD A SUITABLE HONORARIUM FOR HIS WORK.

5.4 OTHER ARBITERS AND OFFICIALS MAY BE PAID IN LOCAL CURRENCY.

6. APPEALS COMMITTEE.

6.1 BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST ROUND AN APPEALS COMMITTEE SHALL BE APPOINTED FROM AMONG THE PLAYERS OR THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FEDERATIONS. THE APPEAL COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF FIVE MEMBERS AND TWO RESERVE MEMBERS, REPRESENTING SEVEN DIFFERENT FEDERATIONS. NO MEMBER OF THE APPEAL COMMITTEE SHALL TAKE PART IN A DECISION CONCERNING HIS OWN FEDERATION.

6.2 A PROTEST AGAINST AN ARBITER'S DECISION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITTING TO THE APPEALS COMMITTEE WITHIN TWO HOURS AFTER THE END OF THE RELEVANT ROUND, ACCOMPANIED OF A USD 50 DEPOSIT. IF THE PROTEST IS CORRECT THE DEPOSIT SHALL BE REIMBURSED, IF THE PROTEST IS DENIED THE DEPOSIT SHALL BE FORFEITED IN CCA'S FAVOUR.

6.3 THE APPEALS COMMITTEE WILL ISSUE A DECISION, IF POSSIBLE, BEFORE THE NEXT ROUND.

7. DESIGNATION OF THE WINNER.

7.1 THE FINAL RANK OF THE PLAYERS IS DETERMINED BY THE NUMBER OF POINTS SCORED. IF AT THE END OF THE TOURNAMENT TWO OR MORE PLAYERS ARE TIE FOR THE FIRST PLACE THE TIE SHALL BE BROKEN ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING TIE-BREAKING SYSTEMS:

FOR SWISS SYSTEM TOURNAMENTS:

- A) THE SUM OF PROGRESSIVE SCORES.
- B) THE SUM OF PROGRESSIVE SCORES CUTS.
- C) THE RESULTS BETWEEN THE TIED PLAYERS, IF THEY ALL HAVE PLAYED EACH OTHERS.
- D) THE MEDIAN BUCHOLZ 1
- E) THE BUCHOLZ.
- F) BY AGE IN FAVOUR OF THE YOUNGER PLAYER

FOR ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENTS:

- A) THE KOYA SYSTEM.
- B) THE KOYA SYSTEM EXTENDED.
- C) THE SONENBORN BERGER.
- D) BY AGE, IN FAVOUR OF THE YOUNGER PLAYER.

7.2 IN CASE THAT THE ARTICLE 7.1 DOES NOT PRODUCE A DECISION, THE PLAYER REMAINING TIED WILL BE PROCLAIMED JOINT WINNERS OF THE PANAMERICAN JUNIORS (GIRLS) CHAMPIONSHIP.

7.3 THE PANAMERICAN JUNIOR (GIRL) CHAMPION SHALL BE AWARDED THE INTERNATIONAL (WOMAN) MASTER TITLE. IN CASE OF A TIE IN THE FIRST PLACE, ARTICLES I.221 AND 1.531, FIDE TITLE REGULATIONS, B-01, APPLY.

7.4 CLEAR FIRST PLACE IS EQUIVALENT TO A 9 ROUNDS (WOMAN) GRAND MASTER NORM

7.5 THE PANAMERICAN JUNIOR (GIRL) CHAMPION HAVE THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEXT WORLD JUNIOR (GIRL) CHAMPIONSHIP, IF HE (SHE) DOES NOT EXCEED THE AGE LIMIT IN THE MEANTIME. THIS PRIVILEGE MAY BE EXERCISED ONLY ONCE.

8. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS.

- 8.1 THE TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF THE PARTICIPANTS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS SHALL BE PAID BY THEIR NATIONAL FEDERATIONS OR BY THEMSELVES.
- 8.2 THE BOARD AND LODGING EXPENSES FROM THE OFFICIAL DAYS OF ARRIVAL TO THE NIGHT BEFORE THE OFFICIAL DAY OF DEPARTURE SHALL BE COVERED BY THE ORGANIZERS FOR THE PARTICIPANTS REGISTERED ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 2.2.
- 8.3 OTHER PARTICIPANTS WILL COVER THEIR OWN BOARD AND LODGING. THE ORGANIZERS WILL INFORM IN ADVANCE ABOUT HOTEL RATES AND SPECIAL DISCOUNTS.

9. PRIZES

- 9.1 THE ORGANIZING FEDERATION WILL AWARD PRIZES FOR AT LEAST THE FIVE FIRST CLASSIFIED PLAYERS IN EACH CHAMPIONSHIP.
- 9.2 BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST ROUND, A LIST OF PRIZES TO BE AWARDED TO THE HIGHEST PLACED PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING ANY SPECIAL PRIZE, SHALL BE PUBLISHED.
- 9.3 THE ORGANIZERS WILL ALSO AWARD GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE MEDALS TO THE PLAYERS TAKING THE FIRST THREE PLACES IN EACH CATEGORY