



**“Summer for Chess, Winter for Snow”
Monthly 90+30 Open Oct. 2026
(Sponsored by SG&GS)**

Introduction

SGMS is an international chess tournament hosting brand founded in collaboration with experienced FIDE-certified arbiters by SG&GS.

About SG&GS – introduction of SGMS winter brand

Experience the magic of Hokkaido in winter—world-class skiing, natural hot springs, and comfortable private villas in central Asahikawa. Selected villas include complimentary shuttle services, allowing guests to enjoy a relaxing holiday without the need to rent a car. Our focus is simple: comfortable stays, convenient access, and an authentic Hokkaido winter experience. (example villa photos shown below)



Importance of Organizing Monthly FIDE-Rated Tournaments

- Enable players rated 2200 and below to regularly compete in classical 90+30 chess games in Singapore, reducing the need for travel while encouraging consistent practice and competitive growth.
- We believe that minimizing venue rental costs and allocating more resources to attractive prize funds and professional FIDE-certified arbiters will attract stronger players. Limiting the number of lower-rated participants will also create a more competitive environment, helping players improve more quickly.
- Compared with Europe, standard tournaments with a 90min + 30s time control are less common in Asia. We hope to help bridge this gap.



Format and time control

- 5 Rounds FIDE-Rated Swiss System
- The time control is 90 minutes per player, with a 30-second increment per move from Move 1 (90+30).
- Default time – 45 minutes after the scheduled start time

Competition Rules

1. The competition will be conducted using the Swiss System, and is open to all players with a valid FIDE ID and a FIDE rating above 1400 and below 2200.
2. The tournament will be conducted in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Tournament Regulations. The results will be submitted for FIDE Standard Rating.
3. The tournament will consist of five rounds played under the Swiss System. Pairings will be generated using Swiss-Manager.
4. The tournament schedule will be followed strictly. Any changes will be announced promptly to all participants.
5. The arbiter will announce 5 minutes before the start of the game. Parents and accompanying persons must leave the playing area once the round has started and may re-enter 15 minutes before the next round begins. If a player needs to contact a parent during the tournament, they must do so using the designated phone provided by the Arbiter.
6. All players and staff must be neatly dressed. Slippers are not permitted in the playing venue. Shoes must be removed before entering the playing area, and players are required to wear socks while playing.
7. If a player's FIDE rating changes before the tournament, the registration fee will not be adjusted based on the updated rating.
8. Players may request a half-point bye for any one round between Rounds 1 and 4. Requests must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter before the pairings for the relevant round are published. Participants and parents are encouraged to join the tournament WeChat or WhatsApp group, where pairings, schedules, and announcements will be posted.
9. There will be no prize-giving ceremony. Prize money will be transferred via PayPal within one day after the tournament. Winning players are requested to provide their PayPal account details.
10. Players who are unable to play a round or wish to withdraw from the tournament must notify the Chief Arbiter in writing before the pairings for the next round are published. Failure to do so may result in the player being withdrawn from the remaining rounds.
11. The Organiser reserves the right to reject the registration of players who have repeatedly received valid complaints in previous tournaments.

12. During the tournament, official photographers may take photographs and videos. By registering, participants consent to the use of these images and videos for publication on our website and social media platforms.
13. Scoresheets will be provided. No food is permitted in the playing venue. Only beverages in closed containers are allowed.
14. Once a round has begun, players must not use or possess any electronic devices. Players must cooperate with Fair Play screening whenever requested by the arbiters, including each time they enter or leave the playing area. Any player found using, carrying, or bringing unauthorised electronic devices into or out of the playing venue will be disqualified from the tournament.
15. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be final.

Tiebreak

1. Direct encounter
2. Buchholz Cut 1
3. Buchholz
4. Sonnenborn Berger
5. Sum of Progressive Scores

Prizes

- 1st Prize: SGD 500
- 2nd Prize: SGD 200
- 3rd Prize: SGD 100
- Best Under 1800: SGD 100

Tournament Schedule

Schedule	Time	
Friday, 2nd Oct	19:00	Registration
Friday, 2nd Oct	19:10	Round 1
Saturday, 3rd Oct	11:00	Round 2
Saturday, 3rd Oct	15:30	Round 3
Sunday, 4th Oct	11:00	Round 4
Sunday, 4th Oct	15:30	Round 5
Sunday, 4th Oct	20:00	End of tournament

Venue

Address: 865 Mountbatten road #05-30 Katong Shopping Centre, Singapore, 437844



Parents' Waiting Area



Accommodation

Participants are responsible for arranging their own accommodation and transportation. The tournament venue is approximately a 20-minutes taxi ride from the airport, with an estimated fare of around SGD 25.

Recommended Hotel:

Holiday Inn Express Singapore Katong: SGD 200/night (approximately 5-minute walk to the venue).

Registration Fee

All entry fees must be paid before the start of the first round. There is no early-bird registration discount. If you withdraw from the tournament before 10 September 2026, your entry fee will be refunded, less an administrative fee of SGD 50. After this date, no refunds will be issued. All players with disabilities are eligible for a 25% discount on the entry fee.

Players who have previously participated in an SGMS or HKMS tournament are eligible for a SGD 10 discount on the entry fee, provided they register on or before 10 September 2026.

- SGD 80: Players with a FIDE rating of 2000–2199 (limited to 2 places, allocated on a first-come, first-served basis).
- SGD 110: FIDE rating 1850–2199
- SGD 140: FIDE rating 1600–1849
- SGD 180: FIDE rating 1500–1599 (*limited to 2 places; first-come, first-served*)
- SGD 220: FIDE rating 1500–1599 (*limited to 2 additional places*)
- SGD 330: FIDE rating 1400–1499 (*limited to 2 additional places*)

(Non-refundable upon withdrawal from the tournament)

Registration deadline

30 September 2026, or earlier if the maximum number of 24 participants is reached.

Registrations submitted between 1 October and 2 October 2026 will be accepted at the organiser's discretion and will be subject to an additional SGD 100 administrative fee.

The list of registered players will be published and updated regularly on Chess-Results.

Registration

1. Please register by scanning the QR code below. Registration will be completed via the Google Form.



After successfully submitting the Google Form, please contact us via email or WhatsApp to confirm your registration.

2. Email: Please send your name, club (if applicable), FIDE ID, proof of payment, and the tournament date to ylw1980@gmail.com.
3. WhatsApp: +65 91365911 (George)

Due to the limited number of places, submitting the registration form does not guarantee a place in the tournament. Please contact the tournament organisers via WhatsApp or email to confirm your registration status. Your registration will only be considered successful after it has been confirmed by the organising team.

Payment method

Please include your name, club (if applicable), and FIDE ID in the payment reference when making your payment.

1) Paynow:

UEN No.: 202505621M

Please check the company name before making your payment:

SG&GS PTE.LTD



2) Bank Transfer

Bank Name: UOB, Name of Account: SG AND GS PTE LTD

Account number: 3483326473

3) On-site Cash Payment:

Players who wish to pay in cash at the venue must provide a copy of their flight itinerary or air ticket at least 7 days before the start of the tournament.

Personal Data Collection Statement

We collect your personal information in accordance with Singapore's Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA). Your personal information will be used solely for the purpose of organising the SG&GS Monthly International Open Chess Tournament. We will not disclose your personal information to any third party except where required by law or with your consent.

Contact us

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4. Website: www.sgmstournament.com
5. Singapore Chess Federation link: <https://singaporechess.org.sg/events/>

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See you in Katong, Singapore!

