



Capitol Area Chess



10th Cherry Blossom Classic (200 GPP Enhanced – A VCF Cup Event)

Washington Dulles Airport Marriott Hotel, 45020 Aviation Drive, Dulles, VA 20166

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<https://www.cherryblossomchess.com>

LINK TO ADVANCE ENTRIES, PAIRINGS & STANDINGS:

OPEN SECTION (Chess-Results): <https://chess-results.com/tnr756093.aspx?lan=1&art=0&turdet=YES>

ALL OTHER SECTIONS (SwissSys): https://www.swissys.com/event_selector.php

Prizes:

\$28,000 TOTAL GTD PRIZE FUND - (OPEN \$12,000 GTD) !!!	
Open (FIDE) 6-day	\$4000-\$2800-\$1600-\$1100-\$800-\$500-\$300-\$200; U2400: \$400-\$200-\$100
U2300 (FIDE)	\$2000-\$1100-\$700-\$400-\$300-\$100; U2100: \$500-\$300-\$200 Unr limit \$200
U2000 (FIDE)	\$1500-\$900-\$500-300; U1800: \$300-\$200-\$100 Unr limit \$200
U1700	\$1200-\$700-\$400-\$200; U1500: \$200-\$100 Unr limit \$150
U1400	\$1000-\$500-\$300-\$200; U1200: \$200-\$100 Unr limit \$100
U1100 2-day	\$600-\$300-200-\$100; Top U900 \$200-\$100

Entry Fees:

Open: \$240 by 4/21, \$255 by 5/12, \$275 by 5/24, \$295 later and onsite. GMs/Foreign IMs/WGMs Free (\$50 refundable deposit EF), \$120 deducted from prize. US IMs/WGMs/Foreign FIDE Players \$100 less, \$80 deducted from prize. U2300 to U1400: \$205 by 4/21, \$220 by 5/12, \$240 by 5/25, \$260 later and onsite. U1100: \$115 by 4/21, \$125 by 5/12, \$140 by 5/25, \$160 later and onsite. Re-entry \$60, no re-entry in Open/U2300/U2000. Onsite Entry closes 1-hr before Round 1 else enter with 1/2 point byes.

Half-Point Byes:

OPEN Section (Limit 2): All OPEN Section byes MUST be requested at Registration OR latest 2 hrs prior to Rd. 1 (5pm latest deadline - NO EXCEPTIONS); OPEN Section onsite registration closes 5pm - Players entering after 5pm will receive 1/2 point bye for Round 1; Only 1 bye allowed in last 2 rounds - MUST commit at Registration or before 5pm Wed 5/24; Norm not possible if taking bye in OPEN Section. **U2300/U2000/U1700/U1400 Sections (Limit 3); U1100 Section (Limit 2):** Deadline to commit 1hr before round start; No half-point byes can be requested after Rd. 3 starts; Byes once requested cannot be revoked after Rd. 3 starts.

Forfeit/Zero Tolerance Policy: All Sections/Rounds follows USCF Defaults – Upto the T/C of the Game and a maximum of 1hr.

Electronic Devices Penalties/Violations: Electronic devices, Cell phones, Smart watches Headphones including all Message capable devices MUST be completely turned off (not even on vibrate or airplane mode) while games are in Progress. Chief Arbiter/Deputy Arbiter/Organizer has the final discretion to determine if the device found to be involved in such a violation has activated the penalty and has the final say in the penalty decision enforced. All Exceptions to this policy MUST be approved by the Chief Arbiter/Organizer.

PENALTIES IMPOSED:

- *Electronic Notation Devices are NOT ALLOWED in any Section including non-FIDE Sections (Exceptions must be approved)*

- If device(s) is found on body while a game is in progress, it's a Game Loss.
- If device(s) is activated, rings/vibrates while game is in progress:
 - OPEN SECTION LOSE GAME ON 1st OFFENSE; 2nd Offense Remove from Tournament
 - FIDE SECTIONS U2300 & U2000: 1st Offense 30 mins off the clock; 2nd Offense Lose Game (doesn't have to be in the same game); 3rd Offense Remove from Tournament
 - OTHER SECTIONS except Open: 1st Offense 10 mins off the clock; 2nd Offense Lose Game (doesn't have to be in the same game); 3rd Offense Remove from Tournament

Time Controls/Schedule:

OPEN Section 6-day ONLY (Wed 5/24 to Mon 5/29): G/90;+30; Reg ends Wed 6pm; Rounds Wed/Thu/Fri 7pm; Sat/Sun 11am - 5pm, Mon 10am-3:30pm.

U2300 to U1400 5-day (Thu 5/25 to Mon 5/29): G/90;+30; Reg. ends Thu 6pm; Rounds Thu 7pm; Fri 1pm - 7pm; Sat/Sun 11am - 5pm; Mon 10am - 3:30pm.

U2300 to U1400 4-day (Fri 5/26 to Mon 5/29): Rounds 1 & 2 G/60;d10, Rds 3-9 G/90;+30; Reg. ends Fri 12pm; Rounds Fri 1pm - 4pm - 7pm (merges Rd 3 with 5-day); Sat/Sun 11am - 5pm; Mon 10am - 3:30pm.

U2300 to U1400 3-day (Sat 5/27 to Mon 5/29): 3-day Rounds 1-4 G/25;d5 Rds 5-9 G/90;+30; Reg. ends Sat 9am, Rounds Sat 10am - 11:45am - 1:30pm - 3:15pm - 5pm (merges Rd 5 with 5-day); Sun 11am - 5pm; Mon 10am - 3:30pm.

U1100 2-day ONLY (Sat 5/27 to Sun 5/28): G/60;d10 Rounds Sat/Sun 11am-2pm-5pm.

Side Events:

Blitz: (May 27th 9:15pm): Open (FIDE) & Amateur (U1800): 9-SS G/3;+2

K-12 U600 Scholastic (May 27th 9am): 4-SS G/25;d5

10th Cherry Blossom Scholastic (May 29th 9am): K-12 U1200, K-8 U1000, K-5 U800, K-3 U600: 4-SS G/25;d5

Other Tournament Information:

- All the Rounds in the Under 2300 and Under 2000 4-day and 3-day Schedules MAY NOT be FIDE Rated
- **Boards & Sets (including Clocks) are provided by the Organizer – No Boards/Pieces/Clocks from Players will be allowed in the Tournament hall.** Under 1100 Section & Players in Side Events – Please bring your own clocks
- FIDE Pairings Rules & FIDE Laws of Chess are followed in all FIDE Sections
- FIDE Ratings used for Pairings and Prizes in the Open Section. US Chess Ratings used for Pairings & Prizes in all the Other Sections. Where applicable Adjusted FIDE/National Ratings/Online Ratings will be used for players with No US Chess and/or FIDE Ratings
- Live Broadcast & Game Analysis
 - https://www.chess.com/events/2023-cherry-blossom-classic?ref_id=766225142
 - <https://lichess.org/broadcast/10th-cherry-blossom-classic-2023/round-1/UilL4eiI>
 - <https://m.twitch.tv/sabinafoisor>

Tournament Officials:

Organizer & Chief Arbiter: IA Anand Dommalapati

Deputy Arbiter: IA Sabrina De San Vicente

Arbiters: IA Mike Hoffpauir, IA Gregory Vaserstein,

FA Rob Getty, FA Grishmeshwar Sinha, FA Charles Hatherill, NA Brent Layer

Official Website/Contact Information

<https://www.cherryblossomchess.com>

General Tournament Questions, Section Switches, Withdrawals & Bye Requests: cbc2023@capitalareachess.com

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