



The BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019



The Riviera Centre, Chestnut Avenue, Torquay TQ2 5LZ
Friday 26th July to Sunday 4th August



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Championship events are open only to British Isles Citizens, British Overseas Territories Citizens or players resident therein for the past year, or those with British Overseas Dependent Territories Citizenship. In Junior Championships, ages relate to 1st January 2019 e.g. an Under 10 will be born in 2009 or later.
All Junior Championships will include titles for at least one boy and one girl.

FIDE Laws of Chess apply throughout the Championships, except where specifically amended in the tournament rules. These can be found at www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP

This event is open only to exempted or qualified players

Saturday 27th July to Sunday 4th August

9 rounds - rounds 1-8 (Saturday 27th July – Saturday 3rd August) begin each day at 2.30pm; round 9 (Sunday 4th Aug) begins at 10.00am

BRITISH SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

65+ (born 1954 or earlier) | 50+ (born 1969 or earlier)

7 rounds – round 1-6 (Monday 29th July - Saturday 3rd August) begin each day at 2.30pm; round 7 (Sunday 4th August) begins at 10.00am

BRITISH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS - 7 rounds

UNDER 16 (born 2003 or later)	Sunday 28th July – Saturday 3rd August 9.15am
UNDER 14 (born 2005 or later)	Sunday 28th July – Saturday 3rd August 9.15am
UNDER 12 (born 2007 or later)	Sunday 28th July – Saturday 3rd August 9.15am
UNDER 10 (born 2009 or later)	Sunday 28th July – Saturday 3rd August 9.15 am

UNDER 11 (born 2008 or later) - 6 rounds

Friday 26th July AND Saturday 27th July - 9.15am, 1.00pm and 4.45pm

UNDER 9 (born 2010 or later) - 6 rounds

Friday 26th July – 12.30pm, 3.00pm and 5.30pm

Saturday 27th July - 9.15am, 11.45am and 2.30pm

UNDER 8 (born 2011 or later) - 6 rounds

Sunday 28th July – 10.00am, 11.30am, 1.00pm, 2.30pm, 4.00pm and 5.30pm

Entrants to **BOTH** the **U8** and **U9** Championships before 20th July may deduct £10 from their total entry fee. Please note this means if you've entered **BOTH events**, not just one or the other ...

MAJOR OPEN (OPEN TO ALL PLAYERS)

Saturday 27th July to Sunday 4th August

9 rounds, rounds 1-8 (Saturday 27th July – Saturday 3rd Aug) begin each day at 2.30pm; round 9 (Sunday 4th August) begins at 10.00am

WEEKEND TOURNAMENTS - 5 rounds

Friday 26th July 7.00pm, Saturday 27th July 9.15am and 2.30pm, Sunday 28th July 9.15am and 2.30pm

Atkins Tournament - open to all players

Soanes Tournament - open to players under FIDE 1825 or if no FIDE Grade under ECF 150 / National 1825

Yates Tournament - open to players under ECF 120 / National 1600 (January 2018 list)

Please note - players may ask to play in a higher section if they so wish. Players may request a ½ point bye in any of first four rounds. Round One byes must be claimed on the entry form. Inform your section's Arbiter of any bye to be taken in later rounds.

WEEKDAY TOURNAMENTS - 5 rounds

5 DAY AM Open Tournament Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August 9.15am

Open to all players

Under 2050 Tournament Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August 2.30pm

Open to players under FIDE 2050 or, if no FIDE rating, under ECF 180 / National 2050

Under 1900 Tournament Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August 9.15am

Open to players under FIDE 1900 or, if no FIDE rating, under ECF 160 / National 1900

Under 1750 Tournament Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August 2.30pm

Open to players under FIDE 1750 or, if no FIDE rating, under ECF 140 / National 1750

Under 120 Tournament Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August 9.15am

Open to players under ECF 120 / National 1600 (January 2018 list)

Under 100 Tournament Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August 2.30pm

Open to players under ECF 100 / National 1450 (January 2018 list)

RAPIDPLAY – ONE SECTION, 9 rounds FIDE-rated

Saturday 3rd August

1.00pm, 1.45pm, 2.30pm, 3.15pm, 4.00pm, 4.45pm, 5.30pm, 6.15pm and 7.00pm

August 2019 FIDE rapidplay ratings will be used for this event

RATES OF PLAY	
40 moves in 90 minutes, followed by 30 minutes to finish the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move one	British Championship Senior Championships Major Open
All moves in 90 minutes with 30 seconds per move added from move one	Graded Tournaments - U180, U160, U140, U120, U100 Junior Championships - U16, U14, U12, U10 Morning Open Weekenders - Atkins, Soanes, Yates
All moves in 75 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one	Junior Championships U11
All moves in 50 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one	Junior Championships U9
All moves in 20 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one	Junior Championships U8
All moves in 10 minutes with 5 seconds per move added from move one	Rapidplay

British Championship Play-off

Should the Championship be tied, a play-off will determine the title. The play-off will be held on Sunday 4th August. The regulations can be found on the website prior to the Championships. In the event of any other tournament being tied, the title and any prize money will be shared.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

No entries can be accepted except on an official entry form or online at the Championship website. Additional forms can be obtained from the ECF and Championship websites or by contacting the ECF Office with a stamped addressed envelope.

English players **MUST** be members of the English Chess Federation. Gold membership is required for FIDE-rated events (other than Rapidplay) and Silver for others. Silver membership is required for Rapidplay. Members should quote their membership number on the entry form. Other players **MUST** be a member of their national body.

To avoid late fees, both the entry form and entry fee **MUST BE RECEIVED** before the 'late fee' date. **Note – an additional £10 surcharge will apply to entries made on the day of an event, if accepted.**

Prizes must be claimed, and bank details provided, by 30th September 2019. Please see the Terms & Conditions on www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk

Grades/Ratings

The ratings used for each tournament will be in the following order of priority, where the following letters are ---

E - ECF / National Rating (January 2019)

Q - ECF Rapidplay Rating (January 2019)

F - FIDE Rating (May 2019)

R - FIDE Rapidplay Rating (August 2019)

Championship	FE	Under 11	EQ	Under 1750	FE
Major Open	FE	Under 10	FE	Under 120/1600	EQ
Over 50	FE	Under 9	EQ	Under 100/1450	EQ
Over 65	FE	Under 8	QE	Weekend Open - Atkins	FE
Under 16	FE	AM Open	FE	Weekend U1825 - Soanes	FE
Under 14	FE	Under 2050	FE	Weekend U120 - Yates	EQ
Under 12	FE	Under 1900	FE	Rapidplay	RQFE

- 1) Where a player has none of the above, the organisers will assign an estimate based on all available data on a case-by-case basis, failing which the player will be assigned a rating of 0
- 2) The conversion between ECF ratings and National / FIDE ratings will be $Elo = (ECF \times 7.5) + 700$
- 3) The ratings allocated by this process will be used in the calculation of any relevant prizes.

Obtaining a FIDE Identification Number

All entrants playing in a FIDE-rated section must have a FIDE ID Number AT THE TIME OF SUBMITTING THEIR ENTRY, unless they wish their FIDE nationality to be England. English players without a FIDE ID number will have one created at the time the rating files are submitted to FIDE. Please note that at the time of writing, changing this nationality later costs 250 Euros payable by the player.

Overlapping events

Players may not take part in two tournaments on the same day if the sessions are scheduled at the same time **EXCEPT** players may enter both the Under 8 and another Junior Championship, claiming a 0 point bye in round 1 of the older age group Championship.

Byes

In non-championship events, the preferred way for byes to be claimed is on the entry form where at all possible. Players may request up to 2 half-point byes in the Major Open and Rapidplay and one half-point bye in other sections. A player will score 0 if a half-point bye is requested in the last round. If a tournament permits two half-point byes, then a player will score 0 if the second half-point bye request is in the last round, or if both the half-point byes are requested in the last two rounds.

Please note that photographs will be taken at the event which may be used for publicity purposes both for the current Championships and those in future years. Any objection by an individual to the same being published should be notified to the event organisers. Information on how we use the data you provide us is included in the 'Conditions 2019' section which can be accessed via our website at www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk (a paper copy of which is available on request via the ECF Office), as is other information for competitors, including conditions of entry and tournament rules. **Entry to the Championships is deemed to be acceptance of the conditions shown on the site.** The ECF Data Controller is Gary Willson.

ADDITIONAL PRIZES

Junior Championships

The highest placed boy and highest placed girl in each section will receive a trophy. In the event of a tie all players involved in the tie will be awarded a trophy

English Junior Champions

In each Junior Championship the highest placed English qualified player will be awarded the English Junior Championship for that age group. Where there is a tie for 1st place, the following tie-breaks will be used –

(1) Direct Encounter (2) Median-Buchholz (3) Buchholz Cut 1 (4) Buchholz

To qualify for the English Championship prize players must be FIDE-registered to ENG, or be willing to be in the case of the non-rated tournaments (e.g. the Under 8, 9 and 11)

Best game prize in junior sections (U16 – U10) - £50

Neil Carr Fellowship Prize *

This prize is a **one-year scholarship for 2020 for the ECF Chess Academy International Programme.**

The prize is awarded to the highest eligible player in the Under 10 Championship. Tie break and eligibility rules will be found on the British Championships website prior to the Championships

Best performance by a Welsh player will be awarded the **Roy Clues Trophy ***

* Both these prizes will be decided by members of a committee

ENTRY FEES and PRIZES

Event		Entry before 30/6/19	Entry 30/6/19 and after	PRIZES
British Championship Please note - the organisers reserve the right to change the prize fund for the Championship only	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	£75	1st £5000; 2nd £2500 3rd £1500; 4th £1000 5th £1000; 6th £750 <u>British Women's Championship</u> 1st £1000; 2nd £500 <u>English Champion</u> £1500 <u>Under 21</u> 1st £500; 2nd £250 <u>Alexander Best Game Prize</u> £100 <u>Rating Prizes</u> 2201-2350 £300 2051-2200 £300 2050 and under £200
	FM, WFM	£80	£100	
	2150 and above untitled	£150	£225	
	2000 – 2149 inclusive	£200	£275	
	Under 2000	£300	£375	
Major Open	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	Free	1st £750; 2nd £400; 3rd £250 Performance Rated Prize(s) to be announced at the Championships
	FM, WFM	£50	£125	
	Others	£100	£175	
Weekday Tournaments Morning Open U2050, U1900, U1750, U120, U100		£50	£70	1st £240; 2nd £160; 3rd £80; 4th £50
Over 50 / Over 65		£60	£80	1st £400; 2nd £200; 3rd £100
U16 - U10 Championships		£50	£70	1st £240; 2nd £120; 3rd £60
U9 Championship		£35	£50	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50
U8 Championship		£25	£40	1st £100; 2nd £60; 3rd £30

Event	Entry before 14/7/19	Entry fee 14/7/19 and after	PRIZES
Weekend Tournaments – Atkins, Soanes and Yates	£35	£50	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50 Grading Prize(s) to be announced
Rapidplay	£30	£40	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50 <u>Rating Prizes</u> To be announced

British Championship - further prizes may be announced at a later date
 Please see www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk for any details

BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019 ENTRY FORM

Please enter me for ... (please tick the relevant box or boxes below)

<u>Player's details</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>ECF membership level (req'd)</u>	<u>Tick to indicate entry</u>	<u>Bye required? (please indicate round number)</u>
Surname	British Championships			
Forename	65+ Championship			
Title	50+ Championship			
Address (incl. postcode)	Under 16 Championship			
	Under 14 Championship			
	Under 12 Championship			
	Under 11 Championship			
Telephone	Under 10 Championship			
	Under 9 Championship			
Email	Under 8 Championship			
	Major Open			
Club	5 Day Open AM			
	U2050			
Date of birth	U1900			
	U1750			
Gender	U120/1600			
	U100/1450			
FIDE rating / ECF grade / Other grade and source?	Rapidplay			
	Weekend Atkins Open			
ECF membership number	Weekend Soanes U1825			
	Weekend Yates U120/1600			
Nationality	Events in red are FIDE-rated and require ECF Gold Membership (Silver for non-FIDE-rated events and rapidplays) NOTE - Players entering both the Under 8 and either the Under 10/12/14 or 16 Championships must tick this box (I understand I will be awarded 0 points for Round 1 in the older age group championship) <input type="checkbox"/>			
FIDE federation	Please sign here to indicate you have read the tournament rules at http://www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk Signature ...			

Tournament entry fee(s)	£
Deduction	£
ECF membership (if required) – please enclose a completed membership form #	£
Entry on the day surcharge	£
Donation (thank you!) *	£
Total enclosed Entries MUST include the appropriate payment. Entry charges are calculated according to the day on which payment is made. Cheques / postal orders should be crossed and made payable to the English Chess Federation and sent with this entry form to Congress Admin at the ECF Office	£

Membership of the ECF at the appropriate level is required of all English players who play in any event

* Donations to assist the Congress are always welcomed

The entry fees include VAT at 20%. The ECF VAT Registration Number is 195643626

Payment by Paypal

If you have a PayPal account, you can transfer funds to pay for your entry to the Championships. Please tick here if you have done so, and use the PayPal message box to indicate the event(s) you're paying for. The ECF PayPal address is **paypal@englishchess.org.uk**

Payment by Visa/MasterCard

Please debit my Visa/MasterCard £ _____

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Expiry Date ____ / ____ CVC Number _____

Name & Address of Cardholder

Declaration - I wish to enter, and am eligible for, the tournaments named and I have read and understood the entrance conditions of these Championships.

Signed _____ (Competitor or Parent/Guardian/Representative)

Please return this form to --- Congress Admin, British Chess Championships, The Watch Oak, Chain Lane, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0YD Email: british.entries@englishchess.org.uk

