I Funchal Chess Open | U1900

Location of Playing Hall

Multi-Sports Complex of Fundação Princesa Dona Maria Amélia, Funchal, Madeira, Portugal

https://maps.app.goo.gl/t98251qQjahEN9jJ7

GPS: 32.646211536842166, -16.914685302302928

Dates

From November 26 to December 2, 2026

Rating

Tournament rating by FPX and FIDE for their Elo rankings will be requested. The Elo considered for the tournament is determined by the FIDE standard Elo from the November 2026 lists.

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1. Regulations

1.1. Organization

I Funchal Chess Open U1900 is an international open tournament organized by the Madeira Chess Association, with the support of Funchal City Council and the Portuguese Chess Federation.

1.2. Tournament Direction and Arbitration Team

The director of the tournament is Lourenço Silva, the chief arbiter IA Sergii Larkin and the Deputy Chief Arbiter is IA Paulo Rocha.

1.3. Venue and Schedule

The tournament will take place at the Multi-Sports Complex of Fundação Princesa Dona Maria Amélia, in Funchal.

The provisional schedule is as follows:

DATE			EVENT
26TH OF NOVEMBER (THURSDAY)	-	2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Accreditation and Registration Confirmation
26TH OF NOVEMBER (THURSDAY)	-	4:30 PM	Opening ceremony
26TH OF NOVEMBER (THURSDAY)	-	5:00 PM	Round 1
27TH OF NOVEMBER (FRIDAY)	-	10:00 AM | 4:00 PM	Round 2 + Round 3
28TH OF NOVEMBER (SATURDAY)	-	4:00 PM	Round 4
29TH OF NOVEMBER (SUNDAY)	-	10:00 AM | 4:00 PM	Round 5 + Round 6
30TH OF NOVEMBER (MONDAY)	-	4:00 PM	Round 7
1ST OF DECEMBER (TUESDAY)	-	4:00 PM	Round 8
2ND OF DECEMBER (WEDNESDAY)	-	10:00 AM	Round 9
2ND OF DECEMBER (WEDNESDAY)	-	3:00 PM	Closing ceremony

1.4. Participants

The tournament is open to players with a FIDE Standard rating below 1900, according to the official FIDE rating list for November 2026.

Players of all nationalities are eligible to participate, provided they meet the eligibility conditions and applicable federation membership requirements.

Players who are not yet registered with the Portuguese Chess Federation (FPX) may request membership through the Organisers by contacting festivaldexadrezdofunchal@gmail.com.

The Organisers reserve the right to verify participants' eligibility before the start of the competition.

1.5. Registration

Until November 5 (inclusive)	Until November 25 (inclusive)
50€	60€

Players who provide proof of residence in the Region (Madeira) receive a 30% discount on the registration fee.

In order to complete your **REGISTRATION** you must send an email to festivaldexadrezdofunchal@gmail.com with:

-Full Name

-your fide id

-proof of payment

* Payments must be made via bank transfer to the following IBAN:

PT50 0018 0003 5690 1820 020 76

Registration shall only be considered complete once all the requested information has been submitted and the corresponding payment has been confirmed by the Organisers.

The organization reserves the right of admission.

1.6. Game System

Swiss system of 9 rounds. The Direction may opt for accelerated pairings, applying the accelerated pairing method (according to article C.04.7.1, effective from February 1, 2026), depending on the number of participants.

Each player will have 90 minutes and an increment of 30 seconds per move from the first move.

The waiting time after the start of each game will be 30 minutes after the start of the round.

Draw agreements are not allowed before Black's move 30 is completed without the approval of the chief arbiter or deputy arbiter.

1.7. No-Shows

Players who do not appear in the first round will be eliminated from the tournament, except in exceptional situations accepted by the tournament direction.

Absences in subsequent rounds will be dealt with in accordance with the applicable regulations and the decisions of the arbiters.

1.8. Byes

Until round 4 (inclusive), each player may request three byes of 0.5 points each. In the remaining rounds, byes are allowed but with 0 points. Bye requests will not be considered from players who have not yet paid the registration fee.

1.9. Withdrawals

Withdrawals until November 5 will receive a full refund of the registration value and, between this date and November 20, only 50% of the value will be refunded. From November 25, there will be no right to a refund. In both cases, any

applicable bank or payment processing fees will be deducted from the refund amount.

1.10. Prize List

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CLASSIFICATION	PRIZE
1ST PLACE OVERALL	400€
2ND PLACE OVERALL	250€
3RD PLACE OVERALL	150€
4TH PLACE OVERALL	120€
5TH PLACE OVERALL	80€
BEST FEMALE PLAYER	70€
BEST VETERAN (+50 AND +65 COMBINED)	70€
BEST JUNIOR U18	70€

*Absence from the prize ceremony will result in forfeiture of the prize. Monetary prizes are not cumulative; the winner keeps the prize of higher value.

1.11. Additional Rules

• By registering and participating, players expressly accept the provisions of these regulations as well as FPX and FIDE regulations;

• The possession or use of any electronic device by players and spectators in the playing area is strictly prohibited;

• Communication between players and the public is prohibited without the permission and supervision of the arbiters;

• A reception desk will be available at the entrance where all electronic devices must be deposited for the entire duration of each game;

• Players must wear appropriate attire and maintain sportsmanlike conduct throughout the competition;

• All participants consent to the capture and use of photographs, videos and other media from the event for promotional purposes as the Organization sees fit. Personal data collected will be used solely for event organization and communication with registrants;

• The organization reserves the right to:

– grant or deny admission to the tournament;

– amend these Regulations up until the day of the event;

– exclude any player from the tournament if the arbiters deem it justified due to cheating or rule violations;

• Any cases not covered by these regulations shall be decided by the Tournament Direction. Such decisions are final and not subject to appeal.