



# GREATER CHINA RAPID OPEN 2023

1. The tournament will be played at **Zetland Hall**, 1 Kennedy Road, Mid-Levels, Hong Kong on May 28<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10am and with an expected finish time of 5.30pm.
2. The tournament will be played according to the FIDE 'Laws of Chess', Rapid play.
3. Tournament **WILL NOT BE RATED** so everybody can play. However we recommend it for players Step2 (or equivalent level) or above.
4. The Competition System will be Swiss System, with 6 rounds. Pairings will be done by computer system and no claim against them will be accepted, except a mistake when entering the results. Players will have 15 minutes per game, plus 3 seconds of increment after every move. Number of rounds or tournament format might change depending on the total number of players.
5. Registration counter will be open at 9.30am. Players who are not present in the venue 5 minutes before the first round starts, won't be paired in that round even if they have paid the registration fee. Players who default a game without any notification to the Arbiter won't be paired in future rounds.
6. Recording is not mandatory. Players must write the correct result in the Game Result Slip that will be provided in every round. That slip should be signed. Once signed, the result will stay even if it's not correct.
7. Mobile phones should be switched off in the playing hall, except with arbiter permission.
8. Tie-breaks
  1. Medium Bucholz
  2. Total Bucholz
  3. Sonneborn-Berger.
  4. Armageddon game (White 5 minutes, Black 4, no increment, White must win)

In case of a 2-players tie for the first overall place only, there would be an Armageddon game to decide the winner.

Registration fee:       General 450 HKD (Lunch Included)  
                              Accompanying Person 250 HKD (Lunch)

There will be trophies in the categories Under 8, Under 10, Under 12, Under 16 and Open, with the following amounts:

- 6 trophies per category if the category has 20 or more players
- 3 trophies per category if the category has between 11 and 19 players
- 1 trophy per category if the category has between 4 and 9 players

Registration at <https://www.caissahk.org/spring-2023-events>