



Pesta Sukan Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships 2025

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Background

Pesta Sukan is a premier sporting festival that promotes community engagement and celebrates the diversity of sports in the lead-up to National Day. The Singapore Chess Federation is pleased to partner with SportSG to reintroduce chess to this iconic event—honouring tradition while championing strategic excellence in a dynamic, collaborative setting.

2. Schedule

2.1 **Registration Closing Date: 30 June 2025, by 06.00pm.**

2.2 The tournaments shall be played under the FIDE Laws of Chess (Blitz and Rapid respectively)

2.3 There are two separate events with respective schedules below

2.4 The following are the tentative schedules for the events. The organiser reserves the right to amend dates and time if necessary.

Pesta Sukan Blitz

Date	Time	Event
<u>Saturday</u> <u>26th July</u>	845AM	Arbiter's Briefing
	915AM	Round 1
	930AM	Round 2
	945AM	Round 3
	1000AM	Round 4
	1015AM	Round 5
	1030AM	Round 6
	1045AM	Break
	11AM	Round 7
	1115AM	Round 8

	1130AM	Round 9
	1145AM	Round 10
	12PM	Round 11
	1230PM	Prize Presentation for BLITZ*

Pesta Sukan Rapid

Date	Time	Event
<u>Saturday</u> <u>26th July</u>	145PM	Arbiter's Briefing
	2PM	Round 1
	330PM	Round 2
	5PM	Round 3
<u>Sunday</u> <u>27th July</u>	930AM	Round 4
	1045AM	Round 5
	12PM	Round 6
	1PM	Lunch
	2PM	Round 7
	315PM	Round 8
	430PM	Round 9
	6PM	Prize Presentation for RAPID*

***Prize Presentation may be brought forward depending on completion of last round**

3. Time Control

- 3.1 Blitz: 3 mins + 2 seconds increment from move 1
- 3.2 Rapid: 15 mins + 10 seconds increment from move 1
- 3.3 Default time for both events is when the clock runs to zero.

4. Playing Venue

- 4.1 Yishun Sports Hall
- 4.2 All rounds will start promptly in accordance with the schedule.

5. Tie Break

5.1 Tie breaks for Rapid and Blitz are based on the following in successive order:

5.1.1 Direct Encounter

5.1.2 Buchholz Cut 1

5.1.3 Buchholz

5.1.4 Sonnenborn Berger

5.1.5 Cumulative system - Sum of Progressive Scores (Sum of Progressive Scores: After each round a player has a certain tournament score. These scores are added to determine the total Sum of Progressive Score)

6. Resolution

6.1 SCF shall appoint all arbiters for the events, including the Match and Chief Arbiters.

6.2 All disputes are ruled by the Match Arbiters(s).

6.3 Appeals to the decision shall be made to the Chief Arbiter, whose decision shall be final.

6.4 No further correspondence shall be entertained.

7. Registration & Prizes

7.1 Registration fees for respective events to be determined by Pesta Sukan and will be announced later

7.2 Prize Money and medals will be awarded to the top 3 winners of each event with at least 8 participants/teams

7.3 Category Prizes: Pesta Sukan Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals shall be awarded to the following categories: Under 8, Under 10 and Under 12, for both boys and girls category.

7.4 The Organiser reserves the right to amend prizes at any time.