

Tata Steel Chess India 2024

Technical Points

- ❖ **Time Control** for Rapid: 25 minutes + 10 seconds per move
- ❖ **Blitz**: 3 minutes + 2 seconds per move
- ❖ **Special rules** (A5/B3) as mentioned in Appendix A & B of Laws of Chess will be followed for Rapid & Blitz respectively
- ❖ **Pairing Software**: Swiss Manager
- ❖ **Pairing System**: Round robin for Rapid and Double round robin for Blitz
- ❖ **Default time**: 25 Minutes for Rapid and 3 Minutes for Blitz

- ❖ **If a player displaces the pieces during the game and presses the clock without adjusting the pieces to the correct position; for the first time he/she receives a warning; for the second time by the same player in the game, the opponent will be awarded one minute in Rapid and 30 seconds in Blitz but for the third time for such violation he/she will be forfeited.**

- ❖ **Tiebreaks**: Direct encounter, Sonneborn Berger, number of wins, number of wins with Black in the mentioned order.

- ❖ **The tiebreaks will decide the standings but the prize money will be shared equally among the tied players. However, in case two or more tie for the first place, to decide the champion, all the tied players for first place in the ranking will play playoff matches.**

If two players are tied for the first place, the players will play one Blitz game with a time control of 5 minutes with an increment of 3 seconds per move in Rapid and 3 minutes with an increment of 2 second per move in Blitz. If the game ends in a draw, an Armageddon will be played with 5 minutes for White and 4 minutes for Black with an increment of 2 seconds from move number 61. Player with White pieces has to win and a draw is sufficient for Black, to be declared champion.

In case three players tied for the first place, then 2nd and 3rd placed players will play an elimination knockout as per the same time controls mentioned above and then the winner of that knockout match will play with 1st placed player to decide the champion.

In case four players tie for the first place, then 1st and 4th placed players and 2nd and 3rd placed players will play an elimination knockout as per the same time controls mentioned above first and then winners of both elimination knockout will play the play off to decide the champion.

In case five or more players tie for the first place, then the players will play a single round robin with same time control mentioned above and if there

is a tie for first place, then top two players will play an Armageddon match to decide the champion.

Where there are many stages in the play-off, there shall be a break of at least 5 minutes between each stage and draw of lots will decide the colour in each stage of play off.

The tie break play-off matches will not be counted for FIDE Rating purpose.

- ❖ FIDE Fair Play Regulations will be in force and players shall not possess mobile phone or any kind of watch or electronic devices or any chess information material in person during the game.
- ❖ The players are not permitted to speak to their opponents during the games (except offering a draw). He/she may talk only to an arbiter or communicate with a steward.
- ❖ A protest against any decision must be submitted in writing, along with a fee of 100 USD to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee, immediately after the game. The decision of the Appeals Committee is final.
- ❖ Appropriate sporting behaviour is expected from all participants and FIDE rules of conduct are to be strictly followed at all times.
- ❖ The players are requested to wear proper dress. Shorts, slippers and torn jeans are not permitted.
- ❖ The starting numbers in Blitz will be as per the standings in Rapid event.

- ❖ Appeal Committee:-
 - Main
 - (1) Magnus Carlsen
 - (2) Wesley So
 - (3) Koneru Humpy
 - S/By
 - (4) Daniil Dubov
 - (5) Dzagnidze Nana