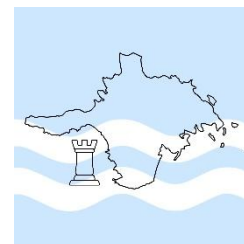


# III HIIUMAA CHESS FESTIVAL I REGULATIONS



## PURPOSE

To popularise the game of chess in Hiiumaa and elsewhere.  
To introduce beautiful Hiiumaa as a great tourist region.  
Determine the best players of the festival.

## 1. TIME AND PLACE

II Hiiumaa Chess Festival will take place on 26-28 June 2026 at [Viscosa Cultural Factory](#) (Kalatehase, Kõrgessaare, 92201 Hiiu district).

## 2. SCHEDULE

26. June	17.15-18.00	Registration I attendance check of pre-registered participants
	18.15	Blitz tournament : 11 rounds
	21.00	Blitz tournament prize ceremony
27. June	11.15-12.00	Registration I attendance check of pre-registered participants
	12.15	Rapid tournament : I-VII round
28. June	10.30	Rapid tournament : VIII-XI round
	13.30	Closing ceremony

NB! The schedule may slightly change during the festival.

## 3. TOURNAMENT SYSTEM AND TIE-BREAK REGULATIONS

The **blitz** tournament will be played in the Swiss system for 11 rounds. The time control is 3 minutes + 2 seconds per move starting move 1. A player can be late for the round up to 3 minutes.

The **rapid** tournament will be played in the Swiss system for 11 rounds. The time control is 10 minutes + 3 seconds per move starting move 1. A player can be late for the round up to 7 minutes.

In case of equal points between two or more chess players, the tie-break will be as follows:

- results of direct encounters between the tied players
- reduced Buchholz-1 (sum of opponents' points excluding the weakest result)
- reduced Buchholz-2 (sum of opponents' points excluding the 2 weakest results)
- Buchholz (sum of opponents' points)
- highest number of games played with black

The tournaments will be played according to FIDE Laws of Chess. All disputes will be resolved by the chief arbiter.

## 4. REGISTRATION

Pre-registration period would be until **23 June 2026**. Each interested player should register either by adding their name to the participants' list on the Estonian Chess Federation [calendar plan](#) or

sending an email to [urmas.randma@hotmail.com](mailto:urmas.randma@hotmail.com). To confirm participation, the players are required to pay the full registration fee by 23 June deadline.

Bank details: (for payments in EUR):

- Beneficiary's bank: Swedbank (SWIFT code: HABAE2X)
- Beneficiary's Account: EE662200221078283489
- Beneficiary: Treeningpartner Puhajarve Maleklubi
- Details: Hiiumaa Chess Festival, blitz and/or rapid participant's full name and birth year

## 5. PARTICIPATION FEE

Blitz tournament: 15 EUR

- IM/WIM, youth (b. 2008 or later), seniors (b. 1961 or earlier), Hiiumaa residents: 10 EUR

Rapid tournament: 30 EUR

- IM/WIM, youth (b. 2008 or later), seniors (b. 1961 or earlier), Hiiumaa residents: 20 EUR

Both tournaments are **free** for GM / WGM titled players.

## 6. PRIZES

### *Blitz tournament*

1 <sup>st</sup> place	300 EUR + trophy
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	200 EUR
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	150 EUR
4 <sup>th</sup> place	100 EUR
best female player	75 EUR
best Estonian player	75 EUR
best non-GM/IM	75 EUR
best senior player (b. 1961 or earlier)	souvenir
best youth player (b. 2008 or later)	souvenir
best youth player (b. 2014 or later)	souvenir
best player with FIDE ELO under 1800	souvenir
best Hiiumaa player	souvenir

### *Rapid tournament*

1 <sup>st</sup> place	800 EUR + trophy
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	500 EUR
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	350 EUR
4 <sup>th</sup> place	250 EUR
5 <sup>th</sup> place	200 EUR
best female player	100 EUR
best Estonian player	100 EUR
best non-GM/IM	100 EUR
best senior player (b. 1961 or earlier)	50 EUR
best youth player (b. 2008 or later)	50 EUR
best Hiiumaa youth player (b. 2008 or later)	souvenir
best youth player (b. 2014 or later)	souvenir
best player with FIDE ELO under 2000	50 EUR

best Hiiumaa player	souvenir
best player with FIDE ELO under 1700	souvenir
best unrated player	souvenir

Additional lottery prizes!

The prize fund may increase! One player may receive multiple prizes. The tournament organiser pays state taxes and the prizes shown above are reflected as a net amount.

## 7. ACCOMMODATION

[Viscosa SLUMBER / Utopia no. 9](#) offers accommodation during the festival in the following room types:

Guesthouse rooms (located in the main building):

- Double room for two, without breakfast – €70/night
- Triple room, without breakfast – €105/night
- Double room for one person – €65/night

Utopia No. 9 does not offer breakfast, but breakfast is available at the Viscosa Culture Factory for €15 per person.

The guesthouse has shared bathrooms and common areas shared among several rooms.

Viscosa Hotel prices including breakfast:

- Standard room for two – 120 € / night
- Superior room for two – 127 € / night

To book a room or receive additional information, please contact directly:

- Kairi Karron: [kairi@viscosa.ee](mailto:kairi@viscosa.ee)

The number of accommodations is limited, so we recommend booking early.

## 8. ORGANISATION

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Hiiumaa Chess Festival is organised by Treeningpartner/Pühajärve Chess Club in cooperation with Hiiumaa Municipality, Viscosa Cultural Factory, the Estonian Chess Federation, and other sponsors.

- Chief arbiter – FA Markus Hansson ([markus.hansson8@icloud.com](mailto:markus.hansson8@icloud.com))
- Additional info, media – Markus Hansson ([markus.hansson8@icloud.com](mailto:markus.hansson8@icloud.com))
- Chief organiser – Urmas Randma (+372 5158656; [urmas.randma@hotmail.com](mailto:urmas.randma@hotmail.com))

Tournament Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/hiiumaamalefestival/>

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