
HRADEC KRALOVE OPEN 2026

16th International Chess Festival
part of CZECH TOUR 2026 Series
7th – 14th November 2026, Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic

Place: Cernigov hotel, Riegrovo namesti 1494, Hradec Kralove

Organizer: AVE CHESS z.s.

Festival director: Michal Horacek

Chief arbiter: FA Petr Lausman

ANNOUNCED TOURNAMENTS

A) 7th – 14th November 2026: Hradec Kralove Open

- **open rating tournament**, rating for FIDE and DWZ
- **participation of players without age and performance limitations**
- Swiss system of 9 rounds, 2x 1,5 h + 30 s/move
- waiting time 1 h in case of late arrival

Starting fee (EUR)

	players accommodated through the organizer	others
GM, IM, WGM and WIM	0	0
ELO FIDE \geq 2200	42.5	64
ELO FIDE \geq 2000	51	72.5
ELO FIDE \geq 1850	59.5	81
ELO FIDE \geq 1700	68	89.5
ELO FIDE < 1700 and without ELO FIDE	76.5	98

- **discounts on starting fee:** 25 % for FM, players over 65 years of age and women
- players registered after 28 October 2026 pay extra 13 EUR

Financial prizes (CZK)

- 10 000, 6 000, 5 000, 4 000, 3 000, 2 000, best woman 1 000, best senior over 60 years of age 1 000, best player up to 16 years of age 1 000, best player up to 12 years of age 1 000, best player with ELO FIDE 1900–1999, 1800–1899, 1700–1799, 1600–1699, 1500–1599 and under 1500 1 000 (40 000 CZK altogether, fusion of prizes is possible)
- material prizes for other players

B) 8th November 2026: Open tournament in rapid chess

- participation of players without age and performance limitations
- Swiss system of 7 rounds, 2 x 10 min + 5s / move
- **rating** for rapid ELO FIDE
- **starting fee**: 9 EUR
- **financial prizes** in CZK: 1 500, 1 000, 500
- material prizes for other players
- **applications** for this tournament are not registered in advance and it is possible to register for it only on the day of launching of the tournament

C) 12th November 2026: Open blitz tournament

- participation of players without age and performance limitations
- Swiss system of 11 rounds, 2 x 3 min. + 2s/move
- **rating** for blitz ELO FIDE
- **starting fee** 9 EUR
- **financial prizes** in CZK: 1 500, 1 000, 500
- material prizes for other players
- **applications** for this tournament are not registered in advance and it is possible to register for it only on the day of launching of the tournament

Fees for rating of the tournament results for ELO in A (2.5 EUR per player), C and D (0.5 EUR per player) charged according to the economic directive of the Chess Federation of the Czech Republic, **are included in the starting fee.**

Criteria used for ranking and prizes distribution

- 1. number of points, 2. Buchholz Cut 1, 3. Buchholz, 4. Sonnenborn-Berger, 5. greater number of games played with black.
- prizes in tournament A are distributed according to Hort system among such number of players which corresponds to the number of advertised prizes; prizes in tournaments B and C are not divided

ACCOMMODATION

The Cernigov hotel ***

(the playing hall is situated here)

- single rooms with shower and WC, price including breakfast 59.5 EUR/room and night
- double rooms with shower and WC, price including breakfast 81 EUR/room and night
- triple rooms with shower and WC, price including breakfast 102 EUR/room and night

Accommodated persons over the age of 18 pay the municipal fee in the amount of 40 CZK (~ 1.7 EUR) / night upon arrival at the reception.

SCHEDULE

Sat 7/11	10.00 – 15.00	Attendance A
	16.00	1 st round A
Sun 8/11	8.30 – 9.15	Registration B
	9.30 – 13.30	Tournament B
	16.00	2 nd round A
Mon 9/11	16.00	3 rd round A
Tue 10/11	9.00	4 th round A
	16.00	5 th round A
Wed 11/11	16.00	6 th round A
Thu 12/11	9.15 – 9.45	Registration C
	10.00 – 13.00	Tournament C
	16.00	7 th round A
Fri 13/11	16.00	8 th round A
Sat 14/11	9.00	9 th round A
	14.00	Solemn conclusion

OTHER INFORMATION

Complete your obligatory applications together with accommodation orders by 28 October 2026 on <http://www.czechtour.net/applications/> or by e-mail to office@avechess.cz.

All foreign players must have an assigned FIDE identification number (abbreviation FIDE ID or FID) at the time of the submission of the application form. If they do not have it, they have to apply their national chess federation for it.

Starting fee and accommodation payments will be collected during the registration in cash in EUR (at the amount given in these regulations), **CZK** (in the rate 23.5:1 compared to prices given in these regulations) **or USD or by debit and credit cards:** Eurocard/Master Card, Maestro, VISA, VISA Electron, JCB or Diners Club.

Attendance before starting the tournament is mandatory for all participants.

Discount on starting fee and accommodation price - 5% discount in 2nd start in the tournament held within the frame of this year CZECH TOUR Series, or 10% in 3rd start, 15% in 4th start etc. (only starts from all tournaments for individuals played with rating min. 2 x 1,5h + 30s/move are counted)

By participating in the tournament, the player gives the organizer the right to take photos and videos with his person and to use them.

Interesting things and photos: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Zonerama](#)

Festivals arranged within the frame of CZECH TOUR International Chess Festivals Series Autumn 2026 and Winter 2027:

31 Oct – 7 Nov 2026	15 th BRNO OPEN
7–14 Nov 2026	16 th HRADEC KRALOVE OPEN
8–15 Jan 2027	25 th PRAGUE OPEN
16–23 Jan 2027	25 th MARIENBAD OPEN
13–20 Mar 2027	5 th NOVY BOR OPEN
21–28 Mar 2027	15 th PILSEN OPEN

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