

XANTHI CHESS CLUB
XANTHI DEMOCRITUS CHESS ACADEMY
"9th Chess Tournament of the Old Town Festivities 2026 - Georgios Platsidis"

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

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ORGANIZER	Xanthi Chess Club Xanthi Democritus Chess Academy			
CO-ORGANIZER	Region of East Macedonia & Thrace – Regional Unit of Xanthi			
ELIGIBILITY	All chess players (men and women) (Up to 200 people, on a first-come, first-served basis)			
TOURNAMENT SYSTEM	Swiss system, 9 rounds, in three groups: Group A with international ELO >1599, Group B with international ELO 0–1599, Group C unrated. Players in Groups A and B must have their Hellenic Chess Federation (ESO) card renewal fee paid.			
RULES	ESO and FIDE regulations apply			
SCHEDULE	Confirmation of participation	Saturday	05/09/26	until 15:30
	Round 1	Saturday	05/09/26	16:00
	Round 2	Saturday	05/09/26	16:40
	Round 3	Saturday	05/09/26	17:20
	Round 4	Saturday	05/09/26	18:00
	Round 5	Saturday	05/09/26	18:40
	Round 6	Sunday	06/09/26	10:20
	Round 7	Sunday	06/09/26	11:40
	Round 8	Sunday	06/09/26	12:20
	Round 9	Sunday	06/09/26	13:00
Award ceremony		Sunday	06/09/26	14:00
VENUE	Xanthi Municipal Amphitheatre			
TIME CONTROL	10 minutes for the whole game, plus 5 seconds increment per move from move 1			
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR	Kouimtsidis Georgios			
CHIEF ARBITER	Papageorgiou Paraskevas Efstathios			
POSTPONEMENTS / EXEMPTIONS	Not granted under any circumstances			
TIE-BREAK CRITERIA	A) Result of the game(s) between tied players			
	B) Buchholz (cut-1)			
	C) Buchholz			
	D) Sonneborn–Berger			
GROUP A PRIZES	Trophy: 1st–2nd–3rd overall and 1st woman Medals for the top finishers in special categories U08, U10, U12, U14, U16, S50 (depending on number of participants)			
	If a player wins more than one prize, they receive only the prize of the highest category to which they belong.			
GROUP B PRIZES	Trophy: 1st–2nd–3rd overall and 1st woman Medals for the top finishers in special categories U08, U10, U12			
GROUP C PRIZES	Medals: 1st–2nd–3rd overall Medals for the top finishers in special categories U08, U10, U12			
CASH PRIZES – GROUP A ONLY	Overall ranking: 1st (€200), 2nd (€150), 3rd (€100), 1st woman (€50)			
CASH PRIZES – GROUP B ONLY	Overall ranking: 1st (€70), 2nd (€50), 3rd (€30), 1st woman (€20)			
ENTRIES	Complete the form at the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdFiVK36S338MjFqEcQ5SRDbp5QIVZapl6H-oAyK1SqujllFg/viewform For information call: 6974571803 and 6974681746			
	<i>Entries will be accepted until 02/09/2026.</i>			
GENERAL	For any matter not covered by these regulations, ESO and FIDE rules shall apply, and the Tournament Directorate has jurisdiction.			
ENTRY FEE – GROUP A	Free for male players with ELO > 2200 and female players with ELO > 2000; €20 for all others; €30 for two family members; €40 for three family members.			
ENTRY FEE – GROUP B	€15 for everyone; €20 for two family members; €30 for three family members.			
ENTRY FEE – GROUP C	€10 for everyone; €15 for two family members.			
PAYMENT OF FEES	Depositing the fee into account GR6002603140000370202673773 constitutes confirmation of participation in the tournament.			

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GROUP C PRIZES	Medals: 1st–2nd–3rd overall			
CASH PRIZES - GROUP A ONLY	Overall ranking: 1st (€120), 2nd (€80), 3rd (€50), 1st woman (€50)			
CASH PRIZES - GROUP B ONLY	Overall ranking: 1st (€50), 2nd (€30), 3rd (€20)			
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