

Open Internacional Cidade de Coimbra

Queima das Fitas 2026

From April 30th to May 3rd, Hotel D. Luís Coimbra

Integrated into "Circuito Nacional de Clássicas" of Portuguese Chess Federation 2025/2026



Coimbra, the famous city of students, hosts another edition of the Open Internacional Cidade de Coimbra Queima das Fitas. Organized by one of the oldest chess clubs in the country and part of one of its biggest academic festivals, the Open Internacional Cidade de Coimbra Queima das Fitas 2026 is a competition with a tradition that grows with each passing year.

REGULATION

The Open Internacional City of Coimbra Queima das Fitas 2026 is part of the National Classics Circuit of the Portuguese Chess Federation 2025/2026 and is organized by the Chess Section of the Academic Association of Coimbra with the support of the Portuguese Chess Federation, FPX, Organizing Committee Queima das Fitas, Coimbra City Hall and Hotel D.Luís.

Anyone interested, affiliated with FPX and FIDE, can participate in this tournament. Foreign players will be able to register at the start of the competition and must contact the organization to do so.

Tournament Place

Hotel D.Luís, Coimbra

Address: Rotunda Ponte Rainha Santa Isabel, 3040-091 Santa Clara, Coimbra.

GPS: 40.189822,-8.431234

Inscriptions

Inscriptions must **be done until April 29th of abril at 11p.m.** to the e-mail:
openqueimainscricoes@gmail.com

Until March 31st

General: 30€

Youth: 25€ (Under-08 to Under-18)

AAC Partners: 20€

Clubs: 5 inscriptions (6º player for free)

GM, MI, MF, WGM: Free

From April 1st to 19th

General: 35€

Youth: 30€ (Under-08 to Under-18)

AAC Partners: 25€

Clubs: 5 inscriptions (6º player for free)

GM, MI, MF, WGM: Free

From April 20th to 29th

General: 40€

Youth: 35€ (Under-08 to Under-18)

AAC Partners: 30€

Clubs: 5 inscriptions (6º player for free)

GM, MI, MF, WGM: Free

Note: For the accounting of the 6th registration (the one offered), athletes who do not pay the registration fee (GM, MI, MF, WGM) are not considered. The offered registration is always the one with the lowest value.

The inscription payment can be done at the beginning of the tournament by cash or by transfer and the transfer probative sent to the email:

openqueimainscricoes@gmail.com

IBAN: PT50 0018 0003 5309 9198 0207 4

Athletes who do not accredit themselves with the organization up to 30 minutes before the 1st session will not be paired. An athlete whose registration has been paid is considered “accredited”.

Programme

Welcomming and creditation at april 30th since 4 p.m.

1st Session: April 30th (thursday) 7 p.m

2nd Session: May 1st (friday) 10 a.m

3rd Session: May 1st (friday) 4 p.m

4th Session: May 2nd (saturday) 10 a.m

5th Session: May 2nd (saturday) 4 p.m

6th Session: May 3rd (sunday) 10 a.m

7th Session: May 3rd (sunday) 4 p.m

The competition will take place in a Swiss Sistem, in 7 sessions. The programme used will be “Swiss-Manager”.

Prizes

General classification:

1st place - 700€ + Prize

2nd place - 400€ + Prize

3rd place - 300€ + Prize

4th place - 180 €

5th place - 120€

6th place - 90€

7th place - 65€

8th place - 55€

9th place - 55€

10th place - 55€

Players with ELO between 2001 e 2200:

1st place - 50€

2nd place - 40€

3rd place - 30€

Players with ELO between 1701 e 2000:

1st place - 50€

2nd place - 40€

3rd place - 30€

Players with ELO bellow 1700:

1st place - 50€

2nd place - 40€

3rd place - 30€

NOTE: Monetary prizes cannot be accumulated. If the same player is entitled to more than one monetary prize, the one with the highest value and/or highest rank will win.

Prizes will be awarded to the first three teams (the four players with the most points will be considered) and prizes will be given to the Youth (Under-8 to Under-20), Veterans (S50 and S65) and female categories.

A raffle will be held among all the athletes for a surprise prize, and there will also be space souvenirs for all players participating in the competition.

The prizes will only be awarded in person at the prize giving ceremony after the last session, and not at any other time or to third parties.

Playing rythim and general considerations

The playing rythim is 90' + 30'', each game each player. The maximum waiting time after each session is 30 minutes. (counts the time announced in the regulations for each session).

Byes must be required to the e-mail: openqueimainscricoes@gmail.com, until 2 p.m. 30th April. Only 2 byes will be awarded with 0.5 points each and until the 4th session, after that all byes are awarded with 0 points. During the tournament byes may be required by the fulfillment of a proper with the main referee.

Players who miss a game without a valid justification will be eliminated.

It is strictly prohibited (tolerance zero) to take to the playing area any electronic device including smartwatches.

In case of tie the more actualized tie-break criteria mentioned in the FPX Competition and Filiation Regulation will be applied (Article 31).

The tournament will be homologated to ELO FIDE and will be included in the FPX “Circuito Nacional de Clásicas 2025/2026”.

What is not foreseen in this regulation will be solved according to FIDE or FPX regulation. Whatever situations that remain will be solved by the Tournament Board, who will use the best criteria to decide whatever is best for the tournament.

Accommodation and Food

Hotel D. Luís

- Single: € 72.10/per room and night with breakfast;
- Double: € 58.40/ per room and night with breakfast;
- Triple: € 90.40/ per room and night with breakfast;

(Reservations must be done directly with the hotel, mentioning that you'll be participating in the tournament).

If you have any problems with your reservation, please contact the event organizers.

Alternative meals will be available during the event.

Tournament organizer's contacts:

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