

1st Italian Checkers World Championship 2020

Rules and Regulations

The 1st World Championship of Italian Draughts will take place from 19th to 26th April 2020, in Rome, at the Hotel Villa Maria Regina, in Via della Camilluccia, 687, .

Rounds and games

The 1st World Championship of Italian Draughts will be played by 12 players, with 11 rounds robin, two games with alternate colors, (each players will face each other). As a rule, four games per day will be played, equal to two rounds of play.

Accommodations

All 12 players will be guests of the tournament's organization (free accommodation and meals) during the competition, at the Hotel Villa Maria Regina, Via della Camilluccia, 687 - Rome - Italy, from 19th April evening to the 26th April evening, 2020. All players will receive a contribution that will allow them to cover normal travel expenses.

Conditions for any companions:

Rates in DUS room (double room used like single)

€ 110.00 per person, per night in FB. Tourist tax excluded.

€ 95.00 per person, per night in HB. Tourist tax excluded.

€ 80.00 per person, per night in BB. Tourist tax excluded.

Rates in double room

€ 80.00 per person, per night in FB. Tourist tax excluded.

€ 65.00 per person, per night in HB. Tourist tax excluded.

€ 50.00 per person, per night in BB. Tourist tax excluded.

Participants

Participants will be selected as follows:

- 2 players from the Americas;
- 2 players from Europe (excluding Italy);
- 2 players from Africa;
- 2 players from Asia and Oceania;
- 2 players from Italy;
- 2 players from the "World Championship Qualifying Tournament" (***Qualifying Tournament (Challenge) for the 1st World Championship of Italian Draughts***)

The last two places will be selected through the "***Qualifying Tournament (Challenge) for the 1st World Championship of Italian Draughts***".

The "***Qualifying Tournament (Challenge) for the 1st World Championship of Italian Draughts***" will be open to every players from Italy and from abroad. It will be held in Rome, on Saturday 18th April and on Sunday 19th Aprile, 2020. The players who will take part to the "WC Qualifying Tournament" will have to pay by themselves the costs for accommodation and travel. However, the two qualified players will be reimbursed of the travel expenses and also of the costs of accommodation (room and meals) for the "WC Qualifying Tournament", as it will be indicated in the future rules of the tournament.

Technical Regulations of the Italian Checkers World Championship 2020

1. In each round the players will play each opponent twice, one time with white and one time with black, playing with the same Italian "opening" (concerning the first three moves) in reversed color, for each round.
2. The openings will be drawn among those allowed from the "Italian General Openings Table". (see Annex 1 - Openings World Championship 2020)
3. For each round there will be 4 points up for grabs, two for each game. 2 points will be awarded for each game won, 1 point for each game draw and 0 points for each game lost.
4. At each round a different opening will be drawn for each table (for each match).
5. It will be possible to extract the same opening in different turns, but not for the same player, it means that each players will always play different openings.
6. Pairings will be set according by the Technical Regulations of the Italian Draughts Federation (FID TR). In each round the player who will receive the color "White" will play the first game with the white pieces.
7. For players of the same nationality it will be adopted the preferential pairing criteria of the FID TR. According this criteria the players of the same nationality will play together in the first round (if they are only two) or in the beginning rounds (if there are more than two players of the same nationality).
8. It will only be possible to propose a draw (a tie) exclusively if both players will have not more than six pieces (per player) on the checker board.
9. If two or more players end with equal points, the classification will be determined by the "technical playoff score" called "Quoziente" (in the FID TR, Sonneborn-Berger for the Round Robin Championships), giving to each player, for each game, twice of the points achieved by the opponents with which they have won, the points achieved by the opponents with which they have drawn (tied) and zero points by the opponents with whom they have lost.
10. The World Champion Title will be awarded to the best ranked player based on the total score, and in case of equal points, the player with the best "Quoziente". In case of equal points and "Quoziente", it will be played a play-off match with reduced time, according to a method that will be defined later.
11. In order to determine the other ranking positions it will be always used the final score and, if necessary, the "Quoziente". However, in case of equal points and "Quoziente", the players will be considered "ex-aequo" (shared position), the divisible prizes will be divided and the indivisible prizes will be awarded by drawing lots.
12. The Fischer system will be used for the reflection time, with an initial time of 1h and a recharge of 30 seconds.
13. Each player must transcribe its whole game (move by move) during the game, during every match.
14. For everything that is not included in this regulation, it will be applied the FID Technical Regulations.

Any playoff matches

In case of same points and same Italian "Quoziente", if necessary to determine the World Champion, it will proceed to the play-off as follows :

- the color between the two contenders is drawn and the alternation of colors will be as follows: whoever plays the first game with white will play all the first games with white;
- for each play-off match the opening will be different;
- a play-off match will be played with a round-trip match on the same opening and with a reduced time of 5'+ 3"of recharge.
- in the event of a new tie, a second play-off match will be repeated with a round-trip match on the same opening and with a reduced time of 5'+ 3"of recharge.
- In the event of a new tie, a new round of matches will be played, alternating colors on the same opening and changing opening every two games. It starts with a 5'+ 3" recharge time, but the time

is not reset for each game (the next game will be played with the remaining time). The first player who wins a game will have won or the first player to run out of time will have lost. In case that there are more than two players with the same points and "Quoziente", the Main Referee will proceed, by analogy with the above formula, with two-man challenges.

Arbitrage

FID arbitration rules will be applied.

In the World Championship there will be two referees, one of whom not Italian.

In the WC Qualifying Tournament, more referees will be present, one of whom is not Italian.

The WC Tournament Director, in consultation with the Organizing Committee, can make changes to the present regulation if they assume that the change is appropriate for the success of the event.

Reserves of the Italians

Two Italians are qualified directly by the 2020 World Championship: the Italian Champion 2019 and the winner of the "FID Master Slam 2019". In case of renunciation of the reigning Italian Champion, the second of the Absolute Italian Championship will qualify. The general criterion is to have a player qualified by the Italian Absolute Championship and a player qualified by the "FID Master Slam 2019". In the event of ambiguous situations, which cannot be foreseen at the moment, the choice of the qualified players will be the responsibility of the National Technical Director.

Reserves of foreign players

If a player already selected renounces participation, the FID will replace it by drawing on continental availability or even drawing on lists of other continents, preferably of European area.

Last minute absences and replacements

In the event of absences from the call or last-minute renunciations, the FID will provide for replacements (as far as possible, reserving the right to reduce the number of final participants) by analogy of qualification and timely availability:

- for foreigners according to the list of reservations or any presence in the qualification Challenge;
- for Italians according to the type of admission: Italian Championship, FID Master Slam 2019, scrolling through the respective standings;
- for those qualified by the Challenge, according to the relative standing.

Registrations

The cost of registration is € 100.

The registration will be considered completed only with the presentation of a copy of the air ticket or other means of transport or other official procedure that the FID will consider useful to ensure the effective will of the player to participate to the World Championship.

Complaints

Any complaints must be promptly presented to the Main Referee accompanied by the fee of € 50 (fifty), returnable in case of acceptance of the complaint.

Schedule

Sunday 19th April

- Arrival of the participants
- 9:00 pm: players calls

Monday 20th April

- 8:30 am: World Championship opening ceremony
- 9:00 am: 1st round (one match, two games)
- 15:00: 2nd round

Tuesday 21st April

- 9:00 am: 3rd round
- 15:00: 4th round

Wednesday 22nd April

- 9:00 am: 5th round
- 15:00: 6th round

Thursday 23rd April

- 9:00 am: 7th round
- 15:00: 8th round

Friday 24th April

- 9:00 am: 9th round
- 15:00: 10th round

Saturday 25th April

- 9:00 am: 11th and last round
- to follow any playoffs
- 16:00: Closing and Award ceremony

Sunday 26th April

- Departure.

Money Prize (> € 5,500)

- 1st place: € 1,500
- 2nd place: € 1,000
- 3rd place: € 750
- 4th place: € 500
- 5th place: € 400
- 6th place: € 300
- 7th place: € 250
- 8th place: € 200
- 9th place: € 150
- 10th place: € 150
- 11th place: € 150
- 12th place: € 150

The best foreign player will have guaranteed a minimum prize of € 1.000 (one thousand).
The best classified foreign player will have the guarantee of a minimum prize of € 1,000.