

	<p><b><u>Pacific Northwest Chess Center</u></b></p> <p><b>PNWCC USCF Open</b></p> <p>Sept 14-15, 2019</p>
	<p>Two-section USCF Rated 6-round tournament with time control G/90;d10. Two half-point byes available to fit your busy weekend schedules. Qualifier for next PNWCC FIDE Open tournament that features 2+ GM/WGM/IM/WIM.</p>

Tournament Info	
<b>Schedule</b>	Saturday – R1@10:00AM R2@2:00PM R3@6:00PM Sunday – R4@10:00AM R5@2:00PM R6@6:00PM
<b>Capacity</b>	48
<b>Site</b>	PNWCC - <a href="https://www.pnwchesscenter.org">12020 113th Ave NE #C-200, Kirkland, WA 98034</a>
<b>TD</b>	Volunteer Club TD (Xuhao He/Vijay Sankaran/Colin Smith/Nic Velea/Liang Shi)
<b>Rating</b>	USCF rated. Active USCF membership required. Purchase USCF membership <a href="#">here</a>
<b>Clock and Set</b>	Provided by PNWCC
<b>Check-in/Late Show up</b>	No Check-in needed. Forfeit with 45 minutes late. If both players show up late, white clock will be started as round starts. If opponent agrees to wait for late show, the wait cannot be more than 30 minutes.
<b>Time Control</b>	G90;d10. Mode <b>20</b> on DGT North America chess clock
<b>Byes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 half-point byes available to fit your busy weekend schedule</li> <li>• Best way to request byes is via registration -</li> </ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">If you want to request byes or send any instructions to the organizers enter them here.</p> <input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Byes not requested by registration need to be requested by either explicitly sending an email to <a href="mailto:pnwccdt@gmail.com">pnwccdt@gmail.com</a> with name and round number, or by signing up on the bye request sheet in the tournament hall. A pure verbal communication of bye will not guarantee your request.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> round bye needs to be requested on registration or 24 hours before 1<sup>st</sup> round starts by email to <a href="mailto:pnwccdt@gmail.com">pnwccdt@gmail.com</a>.</li> <li>• All other half-point byes need to be requested by the start of round 3</li> </ul>
<b>Pairing, Results and Broadcast</b>	Pairing and results, and top games broadcast (when technology allows and volunteer technicians available) will be published on PNWCC website <a href="https://www.pnwchesscenter.org/">https://www.pnwchesscenter.org/</a>
<b>Contacts</b>	Email <a href="mailto:pnwccdt@gmail.com">pnwccdt@gmail.com</a> for all tournament related questions.
<b>Registration</b>	<a href="http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/">http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/</a> online registration highly encouraged to reduce work for volunteers. Unpaid entries will not be paired and will be deleted without notice if tournament is sold out. <b>Online registration closes 30 minutes before the first round starts.</b>

<b>Cancelation Policy</b>	If tournament has less than 8 entries, it will be canceled. However, the highest rated player (by published rating of the month) <b>that has paid</b> will automatically qualified for next FIDE Open Masters Section (if rating is over 1600) or Challenger’s section if rating is under 1600 without paying any play-up fee. Entry fee will be refunded.
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<b>Potential Section Merge</b>
<b>If one section has less than 8 players, the two section will be merged.</b>

<b>Open Section</b>	
<b>Entry Fee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• USCF 2200+ play for free <b>with</b> entry fee deducted from prize</li><li>• USCF 2300+ play for free <b>without</b> prize deduction</li><li>• \$85 by two weeks before tournament starts</li><li>• \$100 afterwards</li><li>• \$50 play-up fees for players U1800</li></ul>
<b>Prize</b>	\$450 (\$250gtd) - \$350 - \$250 based on 24 paid entries
<b>PNWCC FIDE Open Qualifier</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Qualify for next PNWCC FIDE Open Masters Section by -<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Win the section clearly or with perfect score</li><li>○ Tie for first with USCF 2000+ published or post event rating</li><li>○ Best performing U2100 player by standard tie breaker</li><li>○ Defeat a USCF 2200+ master and all players lower rated than you</li></ul></li><li>• Qualified players don’t need to pay play-up fee</li><li>• Qualified players <b>must not</b> have unexcused withdrawal from any PNWCC tournaments since Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019</li></ul>

<b>Reserve Section (U1800)</b>	
<b>Entry Fee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$55 by two weeks before tournament starts</li><li>• \$70 afterwards</li></ul>
<b>Prize</b>	\$250 (\$150gtd) - \$150 - \$125 based on 24 paid entries
<b>PNWCC FIDE Open Qualifier</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Qualify for next PNWCC FIDE Open <b>Masters Section</b> by -<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Win the section with perfect score</li></ul></li><li>• Qualify for next PNWCC FIDE Open <b>Challengers Section</b> by -<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Best performing U1600 player by standard tie breaker</li></ul></li><li>• Qualified players don’t need to pay play-up fee</li><li>• Qualified players <b>must not</b> have unexcused withdrawal from any PNWCC tournaments since Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019</li></ul>

<b>Volunteers</b>	
<b>Info</b>	PNWCC is 501( c ) (3) non-profit organization and is operated by a group of volunteers. Volunteers are welcomed and highly appreciated –

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Become a club TD and PNWCC will reimburse your USCF membership after you volunteer as a chief arbiter for PNWCC tournaments</li><li>• Manage noise, clean up and empty trash cans</li><li>• Manage our social media account (Facebook and YouTube channel)</li><li>• Broadcast live games</li><li>• Maintain PNWCC web site <a href="https://www.pnwchesscenter.org">https://www.pnwchesscenter.org</a></li></ul>
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### **PNWCC Cell Phone and Electronic Device Policy**

If a player brings cell phone or electronic device that can be used for game analysis or communication with external partners, he/she needs to take the phone or device out of pockets or backpack, turn it off and put on the table and make it visible to TD's and opponent before the game starts. If the phone is on or rings during the game, there will be time adjustment punishment at the discretion of the TD's.

If a player is found to have a cell phone or electronic device in their pocket or backpack (on or off), the player will be received very server punishment, including but not limited to, forfeiting the game and expelled from the tournament and PNWCC.

**Only paper-based scoresheets or USCF approved device can use for recording games.**

By signing up a PNWCC tournament, a player agrees to this cell phone and electronic device policy.

### **Entry Fee Refund Policy**

**Entry fee will become non-refundable after 24-hours before the tournament starts unless withdraw due to serious health issues or family urgency.**