NORTHWEST SUMMER CHESS960 OPEN



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Registration: Online at nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration Registration deadline Sat.

8/6 @ 5 PM.

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Format: A 5-Round Swiss in two sections: Open and Reserve U1500. Sections with less than seven players will be played as RR's with no half-point byes allowed.

Entry Fee: \$35 before 8/4, \$40 after. \$15 play-up fee. Free entry for GMs/IMs/USCF 2400+.

Time Control: G/30; +10 sec increment per move.

Rounds: 9 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM.

Byes: Two half-point byes available, except as specified in the Format above. If interested, request before end of round 2.

Prize Fund: 60% of paid entries returned as prizes.

Open: 1st 25%, 2nd 18%, 3rd 13% Best NW Player (by TPR) 5%

Reserve: 1st 20%, 2nd 12%, 3rd 7%

Memberships: Working Chess.com and Zoom account required. No US Chess or State membership necessary. Zoom monitoring with webcam required in all sections.

Rating: Unrated. Section eligibility and pairings based on the highest of August 1st NWSRS, US Chess Online, or US Chess rating.

Procedure: Pairings will be released prior to the start of each round. Each round features a different randomized starting position of the back-rank pieces! Players will have 5 mins before clocks start to examine the opening position. Games will be started automatically by the TD in the Live Chess area.

Fair Play Policy: All players are required to sign the WCF Fair Play Agreement prior to the start of the tournament. All players will be monitored by Zoom during the games. WCF's Fair Play Committee will review any suspicious games on a case-by-case basis. Fair play violators will be haunted for life by the ghost of Bobby Fischer!

Useful Chess960 links:

- https://chess960.net/how-to-play/
- https://www.chess.com/article/view/chess960-fischerrandom-explained