2ND ANNUAL WASHINGTON CHESS960 (FISCHER RANDOM) CHAMPIONSHIP



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Registration: Online at <u>nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration</u> Registration deadline Sat, Jan 29 @ 5 PM.

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Format: A 5-Round Swiss in two sections: Championship and Premier (U1600). Sections may be combined depending on the number of registered players.

Entry Fee: \$35 by Jan 26, \$40 after. \$20 play-up fee for players rated below 1600 and playing in the Championship section.

Time Control: G/30; +10

Rounds: Sun @ 9 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM

Byes: Two half-point byes available; request before the end of round 2.

Prize Fund: \$725 (based on 30 paid entries) <u>Per section prizes</u>: 1st: \$125, 2nd: \$100, 3rd: \$75 <u>Overall prizes</u>: Best NW-region player (by TPR): \$50; Best Female player (by TPR): \$50; Best upset: \$25

Rating: Unrated. Section eligibility and pairings based on the highest of current NWSRS, US Chess Online, or US Chess Regular rating (Jan 2022 supplement).

Highest finishing Washington resident in Open Section will be awarded the title "**WA State Chess960 Champion**."

Memberships: Players must be current WCF members / Northwest Chess subscribers and have an active Chess.com account. No US Chess membership necessary. Zoom monitoring with webcam required.

Procedure: Pairings released before the start of each round. Each round features a different, randomized starting position of the back-rank pieces! Players have 3 minutes to examine the starting position before clocks start. Games are started automatically by the TD in the <u>Live Chess</u> area. Players must report their result to the TD after their game.

Fair Play Policy: All players must sign the <u>WCF Fair Play</u> <u>Agreement</u> prior to the start of the tournament. All players will be monitored by Zoom during their games. WCF's Fair Play Committee will review any suspicious games on a caseby-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-fischer-

random-explained

https://www.chess.com/terms/chess960