Washington Annual Chess960 (Fischer Random) Championship



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Registration: Online at nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration. Online registration and payment deadline 5pm on Saturday, July 15, or else register at site.

Health/Safety Protocols: Face masks optional for players and spectators. If interested, please bring your own mask.

Sunday, July 16th, 2023 Lakeside Upper School

14050 1st Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125

Format: A 5-Round Swiss in two sections: Championship and Premier (U1500). Sections may be combined depending on the number of registered players.

Time Control: G/30; +5 sec. increment.

Entry Fee: \$40 if postmarked or online by 7/9, \$50 by 7/15, \$60 at site. \$20 play-up fee for players rated below 1500 and playing in the Championship section. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs.

Schedule: At-site registration: Sun. 8:15-8:45am. Rounds: Sun. 9 AM, 10:30 AM, lunch break, 12:30 PM, 2 PM, 3:30 PM.

Prize Fund: \$750 (based on 30 paid entries)

Per section prizes: 1st: \$135, 2nd: \$110, 3rd: \$80

Overall prizes: Best Female player (by TPR): \$50;

Best upset win: \$50.

Highest finishing Washington resident in Championship Section receives the title "WA State Chess960 Champion."

Byes: Two half-point byes available. If interested, request before end of round 2.

Memberships: Current WCF membership/Northwest Chess subscription required. Membership must be paid at time of registration. No US Chess Membership necessary.

Rating: Unrated. Section eligibility and pairings based on the highest of current NWSRS, US Chess Online, or US Chess Regular rating (July 2023 supplement).

Useful Chess960 links:

- https://chess960.net/how-to-play/
- https://www.chess.com/article/view/chess960fischer-random-explained
- https://www.chess.com/terms/chess960