

CHHATTISGARH PRADESH SHATRANJ SANGH

CODE OF CONDUCT

Invoking the power vested under article 4.10, 19.05, 26 & 33 of the constitution of the Chhattisgarh Pradesh Shatranj Sangh, following rules & regulations are framed:-

I. Code of Conduct for the Organisers of Championship/Tournaments;

The following will be construed as misconduct on the part of the Organizers of Championships/Tournaments:

- (a) Withholding of prizes, whether in cash or in kind, announced for Championships of the Federation / Association or Open Tournaments recognized by the Association.
- (b) Not providing requisite facilities as determined by the Association to the participants in any championship/Tournaments conducted by the host Association or Organizers or recognized Open Tournaments.
- (c) Non-payments of the share of entry fees, fee from prize money and other dues to the Association / Federation.
- (d) Mismanagement or manipulations in the conduct of Championships/ Tournaments held on behalf of the Association.
- (e) Willful disregard or disobedience of the provisions contained in the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the Association.
- (f) Fraud, Cheating, embezzlement, theft, willful damage to or dishonesty in connection with Association's property, funds and records.
- (g) Offers or attempts to offer or receiving or attempts to receive any consideration in kind, cash or otherwise to influence the results of games, tournaments, elections or any chess events of the Association.
- (h) Failure to perform the functions and duties in an impartial and responsible manner.
- (i) Failure to comply with normally accepted standards of behavior and chess etiquette.
- (j) Failure to send the results together with the report of tournaments /Championships within a week after the conclusion of the same.
- (k) Any other act which is against the aim and objects of the Association and detrimental to its interests.

II. Code of conduct for the players:

- (a)** All qualified players shall participate in the State Chess Championship unless specific exemption is granted by the President/Gen. Secretary on reasonable grounds.
- (b)** All Players selected to the State Team for National Tournaments shall attend the Coaching Camp/Camps if any conducted by the Association prior to the relevant event unless exempted by the Gen. Secretary.
- (c)** Player shall desist from indulging in any act detrimental to the interests of Association nor shall they spearhead any movement against the Association. They shall not also pass any derogatory remarks in public or to the press about the Association.
- (d)** Players, either in their personal capacity or in the capacity as a player or the captain of a team, shall not make any public announcements without the approval of the competent authority.
- (e)** Players shall desist from harming other players, their property or that of the organizers and the Association and shall not resort to disorderly behavior or any subversive act or any act of indiscipline during chess events and functions.
- (f)** Players shall not make abusive or derogatory language against anybody during the course of a competition, nor shall they make any unjustified accusations against anybody.
- (g)** Players shall cooperate with the organizers of tournaments, in all matters and strictly abide by the Rules and Regulation of Tournaments.
- (h)** Players shall conduct themselves with dignity and be dressed decently at all chess events and functions.
- (i)** Players who want to go out of India to participate in tournaments shall take prior permission from CGSCA by writing to the Gen. Secretary.
- (j)** Players shall not fraudulently participate in events.
- (k)** Players should not smoke or be drunk in the tournament hall during the course of chess events and functions.
- (l)** During coaching camps, players shall strictly follow the Rules and Regulations of the Association and the instructions of the Coach and also do their best to take advantage of the Coaching Camps.
- (m)** Players shall remit the entry fees for tournaments as specified in the regulations and shall not bargain or argue at the venue of the tournament.
- (n)** Date of Birth certificates registered within one year of the birth of the child alone will be recognized and allowed to participate in age group championships by the CGSCA/AICF and all affiliated members of CGSCA.
- (o)** Players shall present themselves for Medical Test to determine their age at any time when called upon to do so by All India Chess Federation or its affiliates.

All players who have been found over aged will not be allowed to participate in any age related tournaments after they serve their punishment. However, those who agree to the results of the medical test and submit the original Date of Birth to the satisfaction of the AICF, will be allowed to play in their age group after serving their suspension.

(p) Players shall not speak (or indicate anything by sign) to anybody other than the arbiters of that tournament, during the course of a game.

(q) Players shall be present for the opening and closing ceremonies of championships/tournaments.

(r) Players shall not leave the venue of championships/tournaments without the permission of the Chief Arbiter.

(s) Players shall not withdraw from tournaments without valid reasons and without the permission of the Chief Arbiter.

(t) Fraud, cheating, embezzlement, theft, willful damage to or dishonesty in connection with Association's property, funds or records.

(u) Offers or attempts to offer or receiving or attempts to receive any consideration in kind, cash or otherwise to influence the results of games, tournaments, election or any chess events of the Association.

(v) Failure to comply with normally accepted standards and Chess etiquette.

(w) Any other act which is against the aim and objects of the Association and detrimental to its interests.

(x) Players desirous of participating in the official National Championships should have participated in the corresponding year's respective State Championships. The entry of the players for the respective National Championships should be forwarded through the CGSCA. However, the Association shall have the right to accept or reject any such requests.

(y) Players shall strictly abide by the Constitution, Rules and Regulations and Orders/Instructions of the Association in force from time to time and also abide by the instructions of the Arbiters and CGSCA Office Bearers.

(z) No player shall participate in any tournament not authorized by All India Chess Federation or by its affiliate members and Chhattisgarh State Chess Association or District Associations and units affiliated to them. The above violation shall attract disciplinary proceedings including cash penalties apart from debarring from participating in any tournaments in future.

(z) (i) Government of India has ruled that only players with foreign passport (including holders of PIO and OCI papers) cannot play under India banner. Hence it was resolved that the same will apply while participating in National Championship, State and District Championships which are official selection tournaments which lead to representing India.

III. Organization of State Championship/Tournaments:

Conditions for organizing chess events:

(a) A bid for organizing a chess event shall be made in the prescribed format along with the required fees, detailed estimate and budget.

(b) Only CGSCA/AICF registered arbiters shall be allowed to officiate in all State/National level tournaments. For all the State/National level and FIDE rated chess tournaments, CGSCA alone will nominate the Chief Arbiter and the Deputy Chief Arbiters.

(c) An Arbiter officiating in a State Tournament as Chief Arbiter / Deputy Chief Arbiter shall be eligible for an honorarium as decided by the Association from time to time.

(d) In cases where any grant is received by the organizers through the Association audited statement of accounts shall be submitted to the Association within a month of the conclusion of the event.

(e) The President or the Gen. Secretary shall have the right to demand advance deposit of the prize fund or bank guarantee for a like amount before granting the tournaments/chess events.

(f) Invitation containing all essential details such as venue, date, time, schedule, eligibility, seeding criteria, entry fee, prize money, system of play, other rules and regulations, accommodation, and other information necessarily required by the participating units and players shall be issued at least thirty days before the commencement of the tournament.

(g) Events shall be conducted in accordance with CGSCA, AICF and FIDE rules.

Chhattisgarh Chess Championships:

(i) Pairing shall be done in Latest Swiss Manager software in all the State Championships.

(ii) FIDE Laws of Chess shall be followed.

(iii) FIDE tie-break regulations will be followed.

(iv) Various Championships will be played in rounds decided by the organizing committee.

(h) Protests against the decisions of Arbiters shall be filed with the prescribed protest fee within half an hour of the occurrence of the incident which has caused the protest.

(i) For State Chess Championships and FIDE Rated events an Appeals Committee of five members plus two reserves, will be nominated by the State Chess Association/Organizers selected from different Districts. No member of the committee shall vote on a dispute in which a player from his own unit is involved

and that in such cases the reserve member(s) shall take his/their place in the committee for the time being.

(j) Players registered with CGSCA alone will be eligible to participate in the Championships.

(k) State Championships:

(i) All FIDE Title holders will be seeded in respective categories subject to age stipulation.

(ii) Top 4 of the previous State Championships are to be seeded to the category State Championship.

(iii) Champion of the previous State Championship is to be seeded to the one step higher State Championship.

(iv) Each District Association/Special Unit Members of the Chhattisgarh State Chess Association shall be entitled to send 4 entries to all State level Championships/Tournaments.

Provided that this will be in addition to the seeded players, if any Association/Special Units fail to send full quota, the vacancies so caused shall not be filled.

(v) The host (if it is a CGSCA recognized unit) is entitled to field two additional players in State Open, Women, Under-19 Open & Girls and Under 15 Open & Girls Championships. In all other State Championships only one additional player will be allowed.

(vi) Any player who pays the prescribed Special entry fee may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Association.

(vii) The Secretary, Chhattisgarh State Chess Association can nominate one player.

(viii) Only Indian Nationals are eligible to participate.

IV. Code of Conduct for All Arbiters:

1. Arbiters shall register with the Chhattisgarh State Chess Association through their respective District Associations by paying the Annual Registration Fee as prescribed by CGSCA financial regulation from time to time to be considered for appointment as arbiter in any tournament.

2. Arbiters shall be unbiased in tournaments and they shall exhibit no nepotism or favoritism in delivering decisions.

3. Arbiters have to be thorough with Laws of Chess, Rating, Pairing and Title Regulations and other related topics.

4. Arbiters have to abide by the rules and regulations of Chhattisgarh State Chess Association/All India Chess Federation and FIDE.

5. Arbiters shall obtain prior permission from Chhattisgarh State Chess

Association (through their District associations) to serve tournaments in other States.

6. An arbiter, who wants to serve in tournaments held in Districts other than his own, has to get prior permission from his District association to do so.

7. Only qualified arbiters shall serve as arbiters in tournaments. For state championships International/FIDE Arbiters shall be appointed as Chief Arbiter. For other State level tournaments IA/FA/Senior Arbiters shall be appointed as Chief Arbiter. For District level tournaments, at least State Arbiters shall be appointed as Chief Arbiter. For rating tournaments, the chief arbiter shall be at least a FIDE arbiter.

8. Arbiters shall be in proper attire in tournaments. If uniform T shirt/waist coat/blazer is provided by organizers, they shall wear it. Otherwise, they have to wear half or full shirt or coat with full pants, and an easily identifiable badge. Neck Tie is preferable.

9. Wearing shoes is a must in all tournaments and championships.

10. An arbiter must arrive at the tournament hall well in advance.

11. An arbiter shall not leave the playing venue during games, without permission from the chief arbiter.

12. At the end of a round in a tournament, the arbiters have to leave the venue, only after informing the chief arbiter.

13. Arbiters shall not use mobile phones in the playing area on any account.

14. They shall maintain silence in the tournament hall and they shall avoid speaking with other arbiters in the playing hall.

15. They are expected to be thorough in handling chess clocks.

16. During time pressure period in a tournament, all the arbiters have to be alert and to be on their toes.

17. If any problem on or off the board during a round has been solved by an arbiter, it must be brought to the knowledge of the chief arbiter.

18. Abusing players, especially children, in tournaments must be avoided.

19. Behavior of arbiters on and off the tournaments shall not bring disrepute to the game of chess.

20. Any arbiter not following the above Rules, shall attract disciplinary proceedings. Further, the Arbiters will also fall under the ambit of the provisions of the Bye laws and the Constitution of CGSCA, while dealing with matters concerning discipline.