

44th Zalakaros Chess Festival – Bárczay László Memorial tournament

24th May – 1st June 2025



Purpose of chess tournament: promoting chess, ensuring the opportunity of the competition for the amateur and professional players

The patron of tournament: Judit Pakulár Czirákiné, the Mayor of the city Zalakaros

Main sponsor: Municipality of Zalakaros

Venue: 8749 Szőlő street 16.,Zalakaros (Visitor Center)

System of tournament:

9-round Swiss system event, based on the FIDE rules. The rounds start at 15:00 CEST (3 p.m.) except of the final one which will be started at 10:00 a.m. CEST.

Playing time: 90-90 minutes / 40 moves + 30 minutes until finishing + 30 seconds/move.

Default time: 30 minutes

Chief Arbiter: Gyula Fehér, International Arbiter

Opening ceremony:

24.05.2025, at 14:00 CEST, 8749 Szőlő street 16.,Zalakaros (Visitor Center)

Entry / Accommodation / further information:

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Entry fees:

Players with more, than 2450 ELO-points and with title GM, WGM are exempt from the entry fee.

You can only participate with a valid competition license for 2025, and in the case of foreign players, only with a valid HPL (you can pay the fee at the venue).

- ➔ Below 2000 ELO rating points: 15.000 HUF
- ➔ Between 2001-2300 ELO rating points: 10.000 HUF
- ➔ Between 2301-2449 ELO rating points: 8.000 HUF

Deadline for Entry:

23.05.2025. On-site entry is possible (+1000 HUF)

Tie break:

1. Points 2. Buchholz 3. Progressive 4. TPR

Prizes:

- 1. 400.000 HUF
- 2. 300.000 HUF
- 3. 200.000 HUF
- 4. 150.000 HUF
- 5. 100.000 HUF
- 6.-10. 50.000 HUF
- 11-15. 25.000 HUF

Special awards/prizes:

Best senior (above 60 years): 1. 30.000 HUF; 2. 20.000 HUF; 3. 10.000 HUF

Best Junior (below 18 years): 1. 30.000 HUF; 2. 20.000 HUF; 3. 10.000 HUF

Best Woman: 1. 30.000 HUF; 2. 20.000 HUF; 3. 10.000 HUF

For five GMs above 2450 ELO the organizers provide accommodation in a separate apartment.

Zalakaros Thermal Bath offers the competitors 75% discount on the entrance ticket price!

