

24th EUROPEAN UNION YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP U8 - U14

under the patronage of the European Chess Union



Rožnov pod Radhoštěm, August 17th – 26th, 2026

General regulations

1. Invitation

The Czech Chess Federation has the honor of inviting your Chess Federation to participate in the European Union Youth Chess Championship 2026 in Rožnov pod Radhoštěm.

2. Participation

Only citizens of a member state of the European Union or of Schengen state are allowed to participate.

Each Federation can register to the tournament one player, a boy or a girl, in each of the categories - under 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. Additional (extra) players can also be registered. The player has to be registered as a player by the respective Federation on January 1st, 2026. Boys and girls will play in the same tournament, but with two separate scores. So we will have two European Union Youth Champions, one for the girls and one for the boys. Additional (extra) players can also be registered.

All participants including parents, coaches, observers and relatives are obliged to stay in official hotels. Access to playing areas, venues and the hotels will be allowed only to people accredited by the organizer.

3. Registration - Conditions of participation

Registration forms must be sent back no later than June 30th, 2026 by email.

Registration has to include the surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating of each player. We also need the telephone, email/fax number of the delegation head and of the person in charge of the federation. Please use the registration form enclosed. All travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their National Federation. Each player (invited or extra) and the invited coach has to pay the amount of EUR 100 to the Organizing Committee in advance.

4. Accommodation and meals

All participants will be accommodated at hotel Energetic, El Greco, Eroplan, Ibis Styles hotel Relax in Rožnov pod Radhoštěm, at hotel Forman and Koruna, at pension Beskyd and Garni:

Accommodation is provided for all participants from Monday 17th August to Wednesday 26th August. The organizer shall ensure nominated players and coach accommodation (with buffet breakfast) in double and triple rooms for free. Necessary send application till 30. 6. 2026 and payment till 7. 7. 2026.

Accommodation (with buffet breakfast) costs for additional (extra) players and accompanying persons per day:

Hotel Energetic: in double and triple room: EUR 52 per person, in a single room: EUR 68 per person.

Hotel Ibis Relax: in double and triple room: EUR 52 per person, in a single room: EUR 88 per person.

Hotel Hotel El Greco: in double and triple room: EUR 52 per person, in a single room: EUR 75 per person.

Hotel Forman and Koruna, pension Beskyd and Garni: in double and triple room: EUR 40 per person.

Buffet lunches and dinners at hotel Energetic: Children under 12: Lunch = 7 EUR, dinner = 8 EUR. Others: Lunch = 11 EUR, dinner = 11 EUR.

Buffet lunches and dinners at hotel Ibis Relax:

Children under 12: Lunch = 8,5 EUR, dinner = 8,5 EUR. Others: Lunch = 16,5 EUR, dinner = 16,5 EUR.

Participants and accompanying persons could order served meals for prize written above (payments to organizer) or ensure meals individually. For example, they could order meals during the tournament at restaurant from their menu and pay it directly at restaurant.

Payments must be paid in advance based on a proforma invoice.

5. Transfer from airport/railway station

The international airport Ostrava - Mošnov is located 35 km from the hotel. For the participants, the organizer will ensure bus-transfer from Ostrava – Mošnov airport and/or Olomouc railway station and/or eventually another place. The organizer will provide information about the exact time and place of the bus departure in advance. The participants will be informed also about the price of the transport in an e-mail sent by the organizer.

6. Payments

Organization fees and accommodation payments must reach organizer's account no later than on the 30th June.

Bank: Ceska sporitelna, a.s., Komenskeho 240, CZ – 582 91 Svetla nad Sazavou

Account number: 1940809293/0800

Holder: Sachova skola Svetla nad Sazavou, z.s., Pesinky 1125, CZ - 582 91 Svetla nad Sazavou

IBAN: CZ49 0800 0000 0019 4080 9293 BIC: GIBACZPX

7. Tournament hall and meeting point on arrival

Sports hall Hotel Energetic in Roznov pod Radhostem.

Roznov pod Radhostem is located 35 km from Ostrava and 75 km from Olomouc.

Hotel Energetic in Roznov pod Radhostem is located in calm nature of the Beskydy. Roznov pod Radhostem provides large sport and cultural background.

8. Schedule

Monday	17 th August	14:30 – 22:00	arrival of delegations, registration
Tuesday	18 th August	14:30	opening ceremony
		15:00	1 st round
Wednesday	19 th August	15:00	2 nd round
Thursday	20 th August	15:00	3 rd round
Friday	21 st August	15:00	4 th round
Saturday	22 nd August	15:00	5 th round
Sunday	23 rd August	15:00	6 th round
Monday	24 th August	15:00	7 th round
Tuesday	25 th August	15:00	8 th round
Wednesday	26 th August	09:00	9 th round
		14:15	closing ceremony, departure

9. Rules and regulations

The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for the pairings. The rate of play will be according to FIDE regulations 90 min for the whole game + 30 sec increase for each move played.

Tiebreaks: Results of direct encounters between the tied players, Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, the greater number of games played with black, the greater number of wins.

Default time is 15 minutes for each round.

10. Chief arbiter

Ing. Petr Zaruba, IA

11. Organizing Committee

Chairman: Martin Petr, chairman of the Czech Chess Federation

Tournament director: Zdenek Fiala, chairman of the Sachova skola Svetla nad Sazavou, z.s.,

12. Prizes

The first three players from each category will receive championship trophies, medals and diplomas. Every player of each category will receive commemorative championship medal and a diploma. Furthermore, players will receive prizes. The winners of each tournament receive a laptop, other medalists will receive a digital clock. Prizes will receive at least the first six players of each category. The total value of the prize fund will be at least 6.000 Euro. Girls in each category will be evaluated separately.

13. Miscellaneous

The first 25 boards of each tournament will be broadcasted online. Online transmissions include at least 100 games. Webcast will be screened in the hall of the hotel. Viewers will be able to watch webcast online in organizer's website. In the hotel, internet wi-fi access is provided free of charge. Results will be updated continuously during rounds. Day snacks will be available all day in the hotel restaurant. The organizer will ensure the rich chess and non-chess entertainment, from which all participants can choose (simultaneous, chess competitions, social evenings, trips, excursions, etc.).

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