



13th International Chess Festival
“Riga Technical University Open” 2024

REGULATIONS of the Classification “Q” Tournaments

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Clarification

In Latvia, the local classification system of titles and sports classes for chess players is used to group players based on their skill level. These titles and sports classes are as follows:

- Beginner
- Fourth-Class player
- Third-Class player
- Second-Class player
- First-Class player
- Candidate to Master
- National Master

During the Riga Technical University Open Chess Festival, tournaments for beginners (Q-1), fourth-class players (Q-2), and third-class players (Q-3) will be organized.

Dates and Place

- **August 3, 2024** (Saturday)
- **International Exhibition Center "Kipsala"** (Kīpsalas iela 8, Riga, Latvia, LV-1048)

Regulations

Q-1	Q-2	Q-3
Beginners *	Fourth-Class players**	Third-Class players***
Swiss System, 8 rounds		
Tournaments will be played without chess clocks		
6 points out of 8 games are needed to advance to the next sports class		

“Q” Tournaments are open to all players, regardless of age or gender. If you don't have a sports class or are unsure which chess tournament is appropriate, please use the metric below:

* beginners – online rating (e.g. chess.com or lichess.org) below 600

** forth-class players – online rating between 600 and 800

*** third-class players – online rating between 800 and 1000

If your online rating is higher than mentioned and you do not have the local sports class in Latvia, we do not suggest participating in these tournaments. Instead, we recommend joining one of the standard chess tournaments. More information can be found on www.rtuopen.com.

Tie-breaks

In case of an equal number of points, the following tie-break criteria are used in all “Q” tournaments:

- a) Buchholz Cut 1;
- b) Buchholz;
- c) Progressive Score.

Schedule



	09:45 – 10:45	Registration
	11:00 – 14:00	1 st round – 4 th round
Saturday, August 3	14:00 – 15:00	Lunch Break
	15:00 – 18:00	5 th round – 8 th round
	18:30	Prize Giving Ceremony

The schedule for all "Q" tournaments **is similar**.

Prizes

There are no financial prizes in “Q” Tournaments. Winners will receive valuable prizes worth at least **200 EUR per tournament** (600 EUR in total). Each tournament guarantees at least **12 different prizes**, including 3 main prizes, prizes for girls, and prizes in various age categories. Prizes will be announced on the day of the tournament.

Registration

Entries (specifying the participant's Name, Date of Birth, Country, and City or Club) for the “Q” tournaments should be sent before **August 2**. You can send them either by email to chess@rtu.lv or by filling out the application form on the official festival website <https://rtuopen.com/>.

Entry fee

15 EUR per participant.

Additional information

These events are part of the 13th International Chess Festival "Riga Technical University Open" 2024 (RTU Open) and adhere to all its rules and regulations.