

# Warsaw Chess Festival

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**Rafał Trzaskowski – the President of the city of Warsaw**

**Warsaw, July 8-17, 2024**

The 2022 Warsaw Chess Festival contains two memorial tournaments:

• **Jan Macieja Memorial - blitz  
(July 8, 2024)**

• **Miguel Najdorf Memorial - classical chess  
(July 9-17, 2024)**

## General Information

**1. Organizer:** gen. Kazimierz Sosnkowski Chess Foundation.

**2. Partners:** Polish Chess Federation and LXII gen. Władysław Anders Sports Mastery Secondary School at Konwiktorska 5/7, Warsaw.

**3. Financial support:** Bureau of Sports and Recreation of the Municipality of Warsaw, Marshal's Office of the Mazovian Voivodeship, Ministry of Sports and Tourism (expected), donators.

**4. Festival Director:** Maria Macieja [mariamacieja@o2.pl](mailto:mariamacieja@o2.pl), phone: +48-603-391-318

### **5. Chief Arbiters:**

Jan Macieja Memorial – IA Agnieszka Brustman (IA): [brustman.mzszach@gmail.com](mailto:brustman.mzszach@gmail.com)

Miguel Najdorf Memorial: IA Paweł Suwarski [najdorf2024@gmail.com](mailto:najdorf2024@gmail.com)

**6. Website:** [http://www.poloniachess.pl/warsaw\\_chess\\_festival/turniej\\_2024/](http://www.poloniachess.pl/warsaw_chess_festival/turniej_2024/)

**7. Time and venue:** **Sports hall at Konwiktorska 5/7, Warsaw, July 8-17, 2024.**

### **8. SCHEDULE:**

**Monday, July 8, 2024**

**4:30 pm – 5:00 pm – Opening Ceremony of the Warsaw Chess Festival with participation of invited guests**

## **Jan Macieja Memorial**

**Monday, July 8, 2024 - 11 rounds from 5:00 pm till 9:00 pm**

## Miguel Najdort Memorial

Tuesday, July 9 – Wednesday, July 17, 2024

		Round starts at	Round ends at	
Tuesday	9.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 1
Wednesday	10.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 2
Thursday	11.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 3
Friday	12.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 4
Saturday	13.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 5
Sunday	14.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 6
Monday	15.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 7
Tuesday	16.07.2024	5:00 pm	10:00 pm	Round 8
Wednesday	17.07.2024	10:00 am	3:00 pm	Round 9
Wednesday	17.07.2024			Closing Ceremony after the end of Round 9

### 9. Tournament groups and entry fees (including rating charges):

## Jan Macieja Memorial

All players will take part in a single tournament with numerous special prizes in rating groups, for women, juniors, and seniors.

The tournament will be FIDE rated.

Entry fee: 80 PLN (including rating charge).

Free entry: Grandmasters, Woman Grandmasters

## Miguel Najdorf Memorial

### **Tournaments:**

A – Open for players rated 2000 and higher

B – Open for players rated 1600-1999

C – Open for players rated below 1600

### **A Tournament**

**For players rated 2000 and higher**

Entry fee: 240 PLN (including rating charge).

The Festival Director has the right to allow several players rated 1900 – 1999 to take part in the A Tournament. **The entry fee for those players is 300 PLN.**

Free entry: Grandmasters, Woman Grandmasters.

The tournament will be FIDE rated. **GM, IM, WGM, WIM norms are available.**

### **B Tournament**

### **For players rated 1600-1999**

Entry fee: 200 PLN (including rating charge).

The tournament will be FIDE rated. **National category and title norms are available.**

The Festival Director has the right to allow several players rated 1900 – 1999 to take part in the A Tournament. **The entry fee for those players is 300 PLN.**

### **C Tournament**

#### **For players rated below 1600**

Entry fee: 180 PLN (including rating charge).

The tournament will be FIDE rated. **National category and title norms are available.**

### **10. System and rules of play, time control:**

## **Jan Macieja Memorial**

A single tournament for all players, Swiss system, 11 rounds, time rate G-3'+2" (3 minutes for the game for each player with a 2-second increment per move).

The order of places for players with the same score

#### **Tie-break criteria:**

- a) Buchholz cut-1
- b) Buchholz
- c) number of victories
- d) progressive score
- e) drawing of lots

#### **Remarks:**

- A player can be late for the game and start it before the time on his/her clock expires.
- A player forfeiting a game will be excluded from the tournament unless he/she presents a justification before the end of the round.
- FIDE Laws of Chess (Appendix B: Blitz including B.4) are applied in the tournament.
- Players can possess electronic devices if they are completely turned off.

## **Miguel Najdorf Memorial**

A, B and C tournaments: Swiss system, 9 rounds.

Time rate:

**A, B and C groups:** 90 min. for 40 moves + 30 min. for the rest of the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move 1.

#### **Tie-break criteria:**

- a) Buchholz cut-1
- b) Buchholz
- c) number of victories
- d) progressive score
- e) drawing of lots

Actual FIDE rules will be applied in all tournaments.

**Remarks:**

1. A player who arrives at the round more than 30 minutes after the start of the round loses his/her game by forfeit.
2. A player forfeiting a game will be excluded from the tournament unless he/she presents a justification by the end of the round.
3. The Festival is a tournament minding to keep the image of chess as a model of a fair competition. Significant violations of ethics and principles of sportsmanship will not be tolerated. To protect players from unfair behaviour of other participants of the event, according to FIDE recommendations, the Chief Arbiter shall:
  - a) declare a game lost by both players if he is sure the result of the game was pre-arranged. The evaluation of the evidence of the collusion remains at the discretion of the Chief Arbiter;
  - b) order, in agreement with the Director of the Festival, a search of a player and his belongings if there is a justified suspicion that the player may be using forbidden assistance from an electronic device or a third party.
4. A complete ban of access to mobile phones is applied at the tournament. A player may have his/her mobile phone, completely turned off, in his/her bag, which must not be picked up and walked with, or in his/her jacket, which shall remain hanged on the player's chair throughout the whole game.

A player having an electronic device (particularly mobile phone) in a pocket of his/her clothes or with him/her in another way (on a belt etc.) when playing, loses the game. The organizer provides for random inspections of electronic devices in the playing room and outside the playing room, e.g. in the toilets, corridor of the playing venue etc.

The same restrictions concern smart watches and similar devices.

**11. Conditions of participation in the Festival (Jan Macieja Memorial and Miguel Najdorf Memorial):**

- a) Self-registration on the website [http://www.poloniachess.pl/warsaw\\_chess\\_festival/turniej\\_2024/](http://www.poloniachess.pl/warsaw_chess_festival/turniej_2024/) **not later than 10.06.2024** or submitting an application with the following data: tournament group, name, surname, country, birthdate, e-mail address, phone number (optional), FIDE rating
  - ✓ to the e-mail address [brustman.myszach@gmail.com](mailto:brustman.myszach@gmail.com) (Macieja Memorial);
  - ✓ to the e-mail address [najdorf2024@gmail.com](mailto:najdorf2024@gmail.com) (Najdorf Memorial).

**b) Payment of the entry fee not later than 10.06.2024:**

by transfer to the bank account:

Fundacja Szachowa im. gen. Kazimierza Sosnkowskiego, ul. Konwiktorska 6,  
00-206 Warszawa

bank PEKAO S.A., XV O/Warszawa

account no. 95 1240 2887 1111 0010 0485 3355 (payments in PLN)

SWIFT code: PKO PPL PW

IBAN code: PL 95124028871111001004853355 (in PLN)

**Please clearly indicate which players the payment concerns.**

c) Registration of players after the deadline, i.e. between 11.06 and 07.07.2024, will only be possible if free spots are available, by submitting applications to the e-mail address [najdorf2024@gmail.com](mailto:najdorf2024@gmail.com). **Entry fees for players registered after the 10.06.2024 deadline are increased by 50 PLN.**

d) Players registered on 07.07.2024 (J.Macieja Memorial) or 08.07.2024 (M.Najdorf Memorial) will be allowed to play from Round 2 unless the Organizer, in accordance with the Chief Arbiter, decides otherwise, and only if free spots are available.

**e) Players who don't have FIN (FIDE Identification Number) shall indicate in their application: Name and surname, place and date of birth, contact e-mail address. Foreign players must obtain a FIN from their national chess federation. The lack of a FIDE number or data enabling its assignment makes it impossible to participate in the Festival.**

**12. Hotel Information.**

a) Organizers' official hotel is **Hotel IBIS Stare Miasto \*\*\*\*** (ul. Muranowska 2, 300m from the playing venue).

Players invited by the organizers will be accommodated in Hotel IBIS Stare Miasto.

**Regarding accommodation, please contact the Festival Director directly: Maria Macieja [mariamacieja@o2.pl](mailto:mariamacieja@o2.pl)**

**b) Participants are free to choose any other accommodation.**

**13. Verification of participation**

The list of entries to the Festival will be regularly updated and published on the website [http://www.poloniachess.pl/warsaw\\_chess\\_festival/turniej\\_2024/](http://www.poloniachess.pl/warsaw_chess_festival/turniej_2024/)

**14. Prizes:**

## Jan Macieja Memorial

Total cash prize fund: 15 000 PLN

Main prizes	Jan Macieja Memorial
1st place	5000 PLN
2nd place	2000 PLN
3rd place	1000 PLN
4th place	600 PLN
5th place	500 PLN
6th place	400 PLN
7th place	300 PLN
8th place	200 PLN
<b>Total</b>	<b>10000 PLN</b>

### Jan Macieja Memorial – special prizes (total 5000 PLN)

best woman	I – 1000 PLN, II – 500 PLN
best senior born in 1964 or earlier	I – 300 PLN
best player from KSz Polonia Warszawa (club of Jan Macieja) born in 2006 or later	I – 300 PLN
best girl from KSz Polonia Warszawa (club of Jan Macieja) born in 2006 or later	I – 300 PLN
best player FIDE rated 2201 - 2400	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated 2001 - 2200	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated 1801 - 2000	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated 1601 - 1800	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated 1401 - 1600	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated 1400 or less	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2006	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2007	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2008	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2009	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2010	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2011	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2012 or later	I – 200 PLN

## Miguel Najdorf Memorial

Total cash prize fund: minimum 45 000 PLN

**A Tournament: 24000 PLN**

**B Tournament: 12000 PLN**

**C Tournament: 9000 PLN**

<b>Main prizes</b>	<b>A Tournament</b>	<b>B Tournament</b>	<b>C Tournament</b>
1st place	8000 PLN	3000 PLN	2000 PLN
2nd place	4000 PLN	2000 PLN	1000 PLN
3rd place	3000 PLN	1000 PLN	700 PLN
4th place	2000 PLN	800 PLN	600 PLN
5th place	1000 PLN	600 PLN	500 PLN
6th place	800 PLN	500 PLN	400 PLN
7th place	700 PLN	400 PLN	200 PLN
8th place	600 PLN	300 PLN	200 PLN
9th place	500 PLN	200 PLN	200 PLN
10th place	400 PLN	200 PLN	200 PLN
<b>Total</b>	<b>21000 PLN</b>	<b>9000 PLN</b>	<b>6000 PLN</b>

#### **A Tournament – special prizes (total 3000 PLN)**

best woman	I – 1000 PLN, II – 500 PLN
best senior born in 1964 or earlier	I – 500 PLN
best junior born in 2006 or later	I – 300 PLN
best girl born in 2006 or later	I – 300 PLN
best player FIDE rated below 2300	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated below 2200	I – 200 PLN

#### **B Tournament – special prizes (total 3000 PLN)**

best woman	I – 400 PLN, II – 200 PLN
best senior born in 1964 or earlier	I – 400 PLN, II – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2006 - 2007	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2006 - 2007	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2008 - 2009	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2008 - 2009	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2010 - 2011	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2010 - 2011	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2012 or later	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2012 or later	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated below 1800	I – 200 PLN

#### **C Tournament – special prizes (total 3000 PLN)**

best woman	I – 400 PLN
best senior born in 1964 or earlier	I – 400 PLN
best junior born in 2006 - 2007	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2006 - 2007	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2008 - 2009	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2008 - 2009	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2010 - 2011	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2010 - 2011	I – 200 PLN

best junior born in 2012 - 2013	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2012 - 2013	I – 200 PLN
best junior born in 2014 or later	I – 200 PLN
best girl born in 2014 or later	I – 200 PLN
best player FIDE rated below 1400	I – 200 PLN

**Remarks regarding the prizes (Jan Macieja Memorial and Miguel Najdorf Memorial):**

a) Prizes will be paid out in PLN

b) All prizes are shown before taxes, the income tax of 10% will be deducted, with the exception of prizes below 2000 PLN, which are free of taxation, according to the Polish law.

c) Prizes are not shared.

d) Not more than 2 prizes can be given to a player. If he/she wins more prizes, he/she will receive two highest of them; if the values of the alternative prizes are equal, the player receives, if applicable, prizes in the following order:

I) for the overall place;

II) for the best girl (in the youngest of applicable age categories);

III) for the best junior (in the youngest of applicable age categories);

IV) for the best senior born in 1964 or earlier;

V) for the best woman;

VII) in rating groups (the lowest applicable)

**e) Special prizes will be awarded only if at least 3 players participate in the particular age or rating group.**

**f) Prizes not received personally at the closing ceremony of the Jan Macieja Memorial and Miguel Najdorf Memorial are forfeited.**

**15. Special Conditions** (please send your requests to the Festival Director, Maria Macieja: [mariamacieja@o2.pl](mailto:mariamacieja@o2.pl)) .

A player getting special conditions is obliged to play all his/her games (or win by forfeit in case his/her opponent doesn't show up).

**16. Visas:**

a) **Invitations for obtaining visas are only issued for players who have paid due entry fees.**

b) Please send requests regarding invitations to the Festival Director Maria Macieja : [mariamacieja@o2.pl](mailto:mariamacieja@o2.pl)

**17. Insurance**



Players take out their own insurance for the duration of the competition.

### **18. Privacy policy**

a) The principles of the privacy policy in chess events organized by Gen. Kazimierz Sosnkowski Chess Foundation are posted on the Foundation website at: [http://www.poloniachess.pl/fundacja\\_szachowa/polityka\\_prywatnosci/](http://www.poloniachess.pl/fundacja_szachowa/polityka_prywatnosci/)

b) Each participant of the Warsaw Chess Festival is obliged to read the above-mentioned principles, which in practice means:

- consent to the processing of the player's personal data for the purposes of organizing and conducting the Warsaw Chess Festival;
- free use of the participant's image (including that of a competitor, accompanying person, fan) in promotional and informational materials related to the organization and conduct of the Warsaw Chess Festival.

### **19. Final statements**

a) A player entering the Festival thereby accepts the provisions stated in this General Information.

b) In cases not covered by the present regulations, the final decision belongs to the Chief Arbiter (in competition-related matters) and the Festival Director (in organizational matters).

c) The final interpretation of this General Information belongs to the Chief Arbiter (in competition-related matters) and the Festival Director (in organizational matters).

Festival Director

/-/ Maria Macieja

Chief Arbiter of Jan Macieja Memorial

/-/ Agnieszka Brustman (IA)

Chief Arbiter of Miguel Najdorf Memorial

/-/ Paweł Suwarski (IA).