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XIX CONTINENTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 “JORGE VEGA FERNANDEZ IN

INVITATION

The Chess Confederation of America – CCA, the National Chess Federation of Mexico, A.C. – FENAMAC, and the organizer Imprime tu Mente are pleased to invite all Chess Federations of the American continent to the XIX CONTINENTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 “JORGE VEGA FERNANDEZ IN MEMORIAM”, which will take place from June 1 to 11, 2026, in Oaxtepec, Morelos, Mexico.

I. VENUE, DATES AND PLAYING SITE

The XIX CONTINENTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 will take place from June 1 to June 11, 2026. The event venue will be Hotel Dorados Conventions & Resorts, located at Carretera Cocoyoc – Oaxtepec Km 2.5, Centro, 62738, Morelos, Mexico.

II. PARTICIPANTS

The Pan-American Chess Championship is open to players representing national chess federations of the countries of the American Continent.

OFFICIAL PLAYERS: They are entitled to lodging and full meals covered by the organizers (from dinner on Monday, June 1 to breakfast on Thursday, June 11). They will be accommodated in double rooms and must be designated and communicated to the organizers by the Presidents of each Zone no later than Sunday, April 26, 2026.

- a) Up to 3 (three) players from Zones 2.1 and 2.3
- b) One player from Zone 2.2
- c) Up to 2 (two) players from each of Zones 2.4 and 2.5
- d) The current Pan-American U20 (Junior) Champion
- e) 1 (one) player nominated by the Continental President
- f) 1 (one) player nominated by the Organizer
- g) 1 (one) player: the champion of the previous Continental Absolute Championship 2025

UNOFFICIAL PLAYERS: The Continental Championship is an open tournament (no minimum FIDE rating required). Each National Federation may register as many players as it wishes. All players must have the endorsement of their Federation belonging to the Chess Confederation of America registered with FIDE, unless otherwise indicated by CCA in accordance with current regulations.



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III. EVENT SCHEDULE

- Please refer to the detailed schedule in the Technical Regulations.

IV. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The tournament will be conducted in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess and the official FIDE and CCA regulations for competitions. Please refer to the Technical Regulations for the XIX CONTINENTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026, which form an integral part of this Invitation.

V. ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES; REGISTRATION FEES; PAYMENTS



Hotel Dorados Conventions & Resorts
Carretera, Cocoyoc - Oaxtepec Km 2.5,
Centro, 62738 Oaxtepec, Morelos

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/6dHuqmjVQVNYu>

[Wmx6](#)

PACKAGE: Hotel with meals included

| ROOM TYPE | Check-In June 1st (after 14h) | Check-Out June 11 (before 12h) | Nights | Cost per person |
|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| SINGLE | King Size Bed | | 10 | USD \$1,255 |
| DOUBLE | Two single beds (small room) | | 10 | USD \$921 |
| DOUBLE | Two double beds | | 10 | USD \$1,176 |
| TRIPLE | Two double bedsles | | 10 | USD \$980 |
| QUADRUPLE | Two double beds | | 10 | USD \$882 |
| QUADRUPLE | Four single beds | | 10 | USD \$841 |

PACKAGE: Hotel with breakfast only

| ROOM TYPE | Check-In June 1st (after 14h) | Check-Out June 11 (before 12h) | Nights | Cost per person |
|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| SINGLE | King Size Bed | | 10 | USD \$915 |
| DOUBLE | Two single beds (small room) | | 10 | USD \$582 |
| DOUBLE | Two double beds | | 10 | USD \$836 |
| TRIPLE | Two double bedsles | | 10 | USD \$640 |
| QUADRUPLE | Two double beds | | 10 | USD \$542 |
| QUADRUPLE | Four single beds | | 10 | USD \$502 |



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PACKAGE: Hotel without meals

| ROOM TYPE | Check-In June 1st (after 14h) | Check-Out June 11 (before 12h) | Nights | Cost per person |
|-----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| SINGLE | King Size Bed | | 10 | USD \$721 |
| DOUBLE | Two single beds (small room) | | 10 | USD \$361 |
| DOUBLE | Two double beds | | 10 | USD \$636 |
| TRIPLE | Two double bedsles | | 10 | USD \$424 |
| QUADRUPLE | Two double beds | | 10 | USD \$318 |
| QUADRUPLE | Four single beds | | 10 | USD \$274 |

Players not using the official hotel must pay a penalty of USD \$200. This fee does not apply for players with Mexican Flag.

**Reservations and payments must be made ONLY through the event organizers:
continental2026@fenamac.info**

NEAREST AIRPORT: The nearest airport is Mexico City International Airport (Benito Juárez). Round-trip transportation will be offered on arrival and departure dates (June 1 and 11 respectively) at a cost of USD \$80 per person. Shuttles will depart every two hours according to a published schedule. Registrations for transportation will not be accepted after the registration deadline. Estimated travel time from the airport to the venue is 2.5 hours, subject to traffic conditions.

REGISTRATION FEE:

Participants must pay the following fees:

- **Players:** USD 200 (includes CCA fee)
- **Rapid:** USD 25 (includes CCA fee)
- **Blitz:** USD 25 (includes CCA fee)
- **Credential:** USD 20 (delegates, coaches, companions)

The organizer will transfer the corresponding portion of the fees to the Chess Confederation of America before Round 1, unless otherwise indicated by CCA.

All international transfers must include a USD 35 bank fee. Registrations are personal and non-transferable. No credits or refunds will be issued. Registrations must be sent to continental2026@fenamac.info with the following information: Full name, ID document, FIDE ID, email, and phone number. Payments may be made by bank transfer, or on arrival in cash or credit card (5% fee applies; in this case, flight confirmation must be emailed along with registration).



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BANK TRANSFER INFORMATION

National Bank Transfer (Mexican Pesos)

The USD-to-MXN conversion must be made using the official FIX rate of the day at Banxico.

<https://www.banxico.org.mx/tipcamb/main.do?page=tip&idioma=sp>

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| Beneficiary: | IMPRIME TU MENTE |
| Bank: | BANBAJIO |
| Account Number: | 2161-5968-0201 |
| CLABE: | 030180900014106087 |

International Bank Transfer (USD)

Please add US 35.00 as international banking fee per transaction due.

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| BENEFICIARIO FINAL/ FINAL BENEFICIARY | IMPRIME TU MENTE |
| BANCO INTERMEDIARIO/INTERMEDIARY BANK | J.P. MORGAN BANK |
| PLAZA/ ADDRESS | NUEVA YORK, N.Y. |
| ABA | 021000021 |
| SWIFT | CHASUS33XXX |
| BANCO BENEFICIARIO/ BENEFICIARY BANK | BANCO DEL BAJÍO SA |
| SWIFT | BJIOMXML |
| CUENTA/ ACCOUNT | 826199809 |
| CUENTA DEL BENEFICARIO FINAL/ FINAL BENEFICIARY ACCOUNT | 030180900042950894 |

VII. PRIZES

Please refer to the Technical Regulations for a full description of individual prizes. Prizes will be awarded at the official closing ceremony.

VIII. VISA INFORMATION

Most countries do not require a visa to enter Mexico for stays up to 90 days. Players requiring a visa must register no later than **April 24, 2026**, and send a copy of their passports to the organizing committee. After this date, the organizers are not responsible for immigration procedures. The organizers will provide invitation letters for players requiring visas.



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IX. TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

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FENAMAC President: Mr. Raúl Enrique Hernández Hernández

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Participants authorize the free use of their image for informational purposes.

TECHNICAL REGULATIONS XIX CONTINENTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 “JORGE VEGA FERNANDEZ IN MEMORIAM” OAXTEPEC, MORELOS, MÉXICO – JUNE 1 TO 11

X. APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

The Continental Chess Championship will be played according to the FIDE Laws of Chess, the FIDE General Competition Rules, the applicable CCA Rules, and these Technical Regulations. Any unforeseen situation will be referred to CCA for a final decision.

XI. FORMAT AND SYSTEM

The tournament will be played under the Swiss system, 11 rounds.

XII. TIME CONTROL

Time per round: 90 minutes plus 30 seconds increment per move from move one.

Tolerance time: 30 minutes after the start of the round.

A player arriving after the tolerance time loses by forfeit.

XIII. TIEBREAKS

CCA tournaments use technical tiebreaks according to current FIDE tiebreak regulations.

For Swiss-system events, final standings are determined by points scored.
If two or more players tie, the following tiebreaks apply in strict order:



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Swiss System:

- a. Buchholz corte 1
- b. Bucholz
- c. Sonneborn-berger
- d. Cumulative – Progressive Score.
- e. Direct Encounter
- f. Most Wins

10:00 Round 4

XIV. SCHEDULE

| Day | Morning | Evening |
|---------|---|------------------------|
| June 1 | Arrival | Registration |
| June 2 | 15:00 Technical Meeting 16:00 Opening Ceremony | 17:00 Round 1 |
| June 3 | 10:00 Round 2 | 17:00 Round 3 |
| June 4 | 10:30 Rapid Tournament Rounds 1–5 | 17:00 Round 4 |
| June 5 | 10:00 Round 5 | 17:00 Round 6 |
| June 6 | 10:30 Rapid Tournament Rounds 6–9 | 17:00 Round 7 |
| June 7 | FREE | 17:00 Round 8 |
| June 8 | 11:00 Blitz Tournament | 17:00 Round 9 |
| June 9 | FREE | 17:00 Round 10 |
| June 10 | 10:00 Round 11 | 15:00 Closing Ceremony |
| June 11 | Departure | |

XV. PLAYER CONDUCT

All participants are subject to the FIDE Laws of Chess and must behave according to CCA and FIDE statutes and the highest standards of sportsmanship.

Players are expected to attend all official events, including opening and closing ceremonies and technical meetings.

Players must cooperate with the media and be available for brief interviews after games.

Players must maintain a dignified appearance according to FIDE Regulations.

XVI. FAIR PLAY; ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Anti-cheating measures will follow FIDE guidelines. Except for the scoresheet device, players may not have any electronic devices in the playing area, nor carry bags or backpacks.

Spectators may not enter the playing hall 10 minutes after the round begins..



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XVII. APPEALS COMMITTEE

The CCA will appoint the chairperson and together with the Organizer will designate two members of the Appeals Committee, plus two alternates. Names will be announced before Round 1.

No member may judge a case involving a player from their own federation.

Only a player may file an appeal, within one hour after the round or incident. A deposit of USD 100 must accompany each appeal. If upheld, the deposit is refunded; if rejected, it is forfeited.

The Appeals Committee may rule on:

- a) Appeals against an arbiter's decision
- b) Protests regarding player behavior
- c) Any other relevant matters

Its written decision is final.

XVIII. PRIZES

The top four (4) qualify for the FIDE World Cup of the 2027 World Championship cycle.

The tournament awards titles and norms according to the FIDE Handbook.

TOTAL CASH PRIZES: USD \$20,000

| Place | USD | Prize |
|-----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1° | USD \$4,000 | Trophy & Medal |
| 2° | USD \$3,000 | Trophy & Medal |
| 3° | USD \$2,500 | Trophy & Medal |
| 4° | USD \$2,100 | Medal |
| 5° | USD \$1,800 | Medal |
| 6° | USD \$1,500 | Medal |
| 7° | USD \$1,200 | Medal |
| 8° | USD \$1,000 | Medal |
| 9° | USD \$800 | Medal |
| 10° | USD \$600 | Medal |
| 1ª Best Female | USD \$300 | Medal |
| 2ª Best Female | USD \$200 | Medal |
| 3ª Best Female | USD \$100 | Medal |
| 1° Best Senior (+65) | USD \$300 | Medal |
| 1° Best Senior (+50) | USD \$300 | Medal |
| 1° Best Master (+35) | USD \$300 | Medal |



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TECHNICAL REGULATIONS – RAPID & BLITZ
XIX CONTINENTAL RAPID AND BLITZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026
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APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

The Rapid and Blitz Championships will be played according to the FIDE Laws of Chess and the FIDE General Competition Rules.

They are valid for FIDE Rapid and Blitz ratings.

The tournament will be a 9-round Swiss Open.

Rapid: 10 minutes + 5 seconds increment.

Blitz: 3 minutes + 2 seconds increment.

Tiebreaks:

- a. Buchholz corte 1
- b. Bucholz
- c. Sonneborn-berger
- d. Cumulative – Progressive Score.
- e. Direct Encounter
- f. Most Wins

Prizes for each tournament (Rapid and Blitz):

| Place | Prize |
|-------|----------|
| 1° | US \$200 |
| 2° | US \$150 |
| 3° | US\$ 100 |
| 4° | US\$ 75 |
| 5° | US\$ 50 |

REGISTRATION PROCESS – RAPID & BLITZ

Participants must register no later than 14:00 on Thursday, June 4, 2026 at:
continental2026@fenamac.info