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XIX CONTINENTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

“JORGE VEGA FERNANDEZ IN MEMORIAM”
OAXTEPEC, MORELOS, MÉXICO – JUNE 1 TO 11

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>

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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**

REGISTRATION FORM

<https://forms.gle/tA1kALm67ifNGZWt6>

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>

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.

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



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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

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	10:00 Round 4	17:00 Rapid Tournament Rounds 1–5
June 5	10:00 Round 5	17:00 Round 6
June 6	10:00 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

CCA and the Organizer will appoint the Chair and 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 ^o	USD \$4,000	Trophy & Medal
2 ^o	USD \$3,000	Trophy & Medal
3 ^o	USD \$2,500	Trophy & Medal
4 ^o	USD \$2,100	Medal
5 ^o	USD \$1,800	Medal
6 ^o	USD \$1,500	Medal
7 ^o	USD \$1,200	Medal
8 ^o	USD \$1,000	Medal
9 ^o	USD \$800	Medal
10 ^o	USD \$600	Medal
1 ^a Best Female	USD \$300	Medal
2 ^a Best Female	USD \$200	Medal
3 ^a Best Female	USD \$100	Medal
1 ^o Best Senior (+65)	USD \$300	Medal
1 ^o Best Senior (+50)	USD \$300	Medal
1 ^o 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

REGISTRATION FORM

<https://forms.gle/tA1kALm67ifNGZWt6>