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# 1st World Championship of Italian Draughts

# **Rules and Regulations**

The 1<sup>st</sup> World Championship of Italian Draughts will take place from the 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> of April, 2024, in Rome, at the Hotel Villa Maria Regina, Via della Camilluccia, 687.

## **Competition format**

The Championship will be played by 12 players, with 11 rounds in a round robin format. Each round will consist of matches of 2 games played by the opponents with reversed colours. A maximum of four games per day, equal to two rounds, will normally be played.

#### Accommodation

All the players will be accommodated at the organisation's expense (meals included) at the Hotel Villa Maria Regina, Via della Camilluccia, 687 - Rome - Italy, from the dinner of the 21<sup>st</sup> of April to the dinner of the 28<sup>th</sup>. All players will be granted a contribution to cover normal travel expenses.

Any accompanying family members and/or companions may be accommodated under the following conditions:

- € 140 per day + €7.5 per day for City tax, per person in a single room, full board;
- € 125 per day + €7.5 per day for City tax, per person in a single room, half board (one meal only);
- € 110 per day + €7.5 per day for City tax, per person in a single room, B&B (breakfast only);
- €100 per day + € 7.5 per day for City tax, per person in a double room, full board;
- € 85 per day + € 7.5 per day for City tax, per person in a double room, half board (one meal only);
- € 70 per day + € 7.5 per day for City tax, per person in a double room, B&B (breakfast only);

Bookings must be received by the FID Secretariat by 11.04.2024 along with the fee payment.

### **Participants**

Participants will be selected as follows:

### Players representing the 5 Continents:

- 2 players from the Americas;
- 2 players from Europe (excluding Italy);
- 2 players from Africa;
- 2 players from Asia and Oceania;
- 2 players from Italy;

## Qualified through the "Open" Selection Tournament:

• 2 players

Admitted players representing the 5 Continents will have their travel expenses reimbursed. The two qualifiers from the "Open" Selection Tournament will be reimbursed their travel expenses up to a maximum of €500, according to the rules.

### **Technical Regulations of the World Championship**

- 1. Matches shall be played with return games, adopting the same opening in reverse colours.
- 2. Openings shall be drawn from those listed in the "General Table of Openings" (see Appendix 1 Openings World Championship 2024).



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- 3. For each match there shall be 4 points at stake, two for each game. 2 points shall be awarded for each game won, 1 point for each game drawn and 0 points for each game lost.
- 4. A different opening will be drawn at each round for each table (match).
- 5. The same opening may be drawn in different rounds, but not for the same player, i.e. each participant will always play different openings.
- 6. The method laid down in the Technical Regulations of the Italian Draughts Federation shall be used to determine the pairings. Whoever is assigned White shall play the first game with White.
- 7. For players of the same nationality the preferred pairing criteria in force in Italy for the Italian round robin shall be adopted, whereby players of the same nationality shall meet in the first round (if two) or in the first rounds (if more than two).
- 8. It will only be possible to propose a draw if there are no more than six men each on the draughtsboard.
- 9. If two or more players end up in a tie, a tie-breaking score ("quotient") shall be calculated to determine the ranking by assigning to each player, for each game, double the points achieved by the opponents they won with, the points achieved by the opponents they drew with, and zero points with the opponents they lost with.
- 10. The title of World Champion shall be awarded to the highest ranked player according to the total points scored, and in the event of a tie, to the player with the highest quotient. In the event of a tie in terms of points and quotient, tie-breaking matches will be played in reduced time, according to a procedure defined below.
- 11. In order to determine the other ranking positions, the points scored and, if necessary, the quotient, shall always be used. In the event of a tie in points and quotient the players shall be considered *ex-aequo*; divisible prizes shall be divided and indivisible prizes shall be awarded by drawing lots.
- 12. The Fischer system will be used for the reflection time, with an initial time of 1h and a 30-second recharge per move.
- 13. Transcription of the games is compulsory.
- 14. For anything not included in these regulations, the rules of the FID Technical Regulations shall apply.

## Possible play-off matches

In the event of a tie in terms of points and "quotients", if it is necessary to proceed to play-off matches for the award of the title, the procedure shall be as follows:

- the colour shall be drawn between the two contenders and the alternation of colours shall be as follows: whoever plays the first game with White shall play all the first games with White;
- for each play-off match the opening shall be different;
- a play-off match will be played with a return game on the same opening and with the reflection time of 5' + 3";
- in case of a new tie a second play-off match shall be arranged with a return game on the same opening and with the reflection time of 5' + 3";
- In case of a new tie a new round of matches will be established, alternating colours on the same opening and changing opening every two games. The matches start with the time of 5' + 3" recharge per move, but the time is not reset for each game (the next game will be played with the remaining time). The first one to win a game will have won or the first one whose time runs out will have lost.

If there are more than two players with equal points and quotient, the Main Referee will proceed, in analogy with the above formula, by pairwise challenges.

### Refereeing

The FID refereeing rules will be applied.

In the World Championship there will be two referees, one of whom will be non-Italian.

The Main Referee, in agreement with the Organising Committee, shall be entitled to make such changes to these regulations as he deems appropriate for the success of the event.

#### **Selection of the Italians**

Two Italians are qualified by right to the 2024 World Championship: the 2023 Italian Champion and the winner of the "FID Master Slam 2023". In case of renouncement of the reigning Italian Champion, the runner-up of the Italian Championship will qualify. The criterion is to have a player qualified by the Italian Championship and a player qualified by the "FID Master Slam 2023". In the event of ambiguous situations, not foreseen now, the choice of the players will be made by the National Technical Director.

# Selection of foreign players

There are currently no plans to create continental selection tournaments.

Foreign players had to express their intention to participate by 30 November 2023, however FID will consider intentions to participate received by 6 February 2024.

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Names must be indicated by the federations to which they belong (where one exists).

Exceptionally, individual players may be considered if there is no federation to which they belong.

If there are more applications than places available, a choice will be made according to the following criteria:

- Reigning World Champions (FMJD and WCDF)
- The best in order of WCDF rating as of 31 December 2023, secondarily in order of FMJD rating, and the international and national titles won;
- The second player from each continent will be selected by assessing the best in order of FMJD rating as of 1 January 2024, secondarily in order of WCDF rating, and international and national titles won, but favouring, in the case, a player from a different continent/nationality than those already represented.

# Reserves of foreign players

If a player already selected renounces participation, the FID will replace him by drawing on continental availability, from the qualifying "Open" (Challenge) Tournament or also by drawing on lists from other continents, preferably from the European area.

#### Last minute absences and substitutions

In the event of last-minute absences at roll call or renunciations, the FID will make replacements (as far as possible, reserving the right to reduce the number of final participants) by analogy with qualification and timely availability:

- for foreigners according to the reserve list or eventual attendance at the Qualifying Challenge;
- for Italians according to the type of admission: Italian Championship, FID Master Slam 2023, scrolling down the respective rankings;
- for Challenge qualifiers, according to the respective ranking.

## Registrations

The entry fee for admitted players is €100.

The entry will be considered completed upon presentation of a copy of the air ticket or other means of transport or following any other procedure that the FID will propose to ensure the player's concrete willingness to participate in the World Championship.

Registrations must be sent by e-mail accompanied by the payment of a fee to be made by bank transfer to IBAN: IT16 U076 0104 8000 0003 8300 968) to "Federazione Italiana Dama", indicating "Name Surname Registration World Championship" as the clause.

At 8.30 a.m. on 22.4.2024, the final roll-call of entrants will take place.

# **Complaints**

Any complaints must be promptly presented to the Main Referee accompanied by the fee of € 50 (fifty), refundable if the complaint is accepted.

### **Schedule**

## Sunday, 21 April 2024

- Arrival of the participants
- 9:00 pm: First roll call of players

#### Monday, 22 April

- 8:30 am: Last roll call of players and World Championship opening ceremony
- 9:00 am: 1st round (one match, two games)
- 15:00: 2<sup>nd</sup> round

## Tuesday, 23 April

- 9:00 am: 3<sup>rd</sup> round
- 15:00: 4<sup>th</sup> round

## Wednesday, 24 April

- 9:00 am: 5<sup>th</sup> round
- 15:00: 6<sup>th</sup> round

# Thursday, 25 April

- 9:00 am: 7<sup>th</sup> round
- 15:00: 8<sup>th</sup> round





### Friday, 26 April

9:00 am: 9th round 15:00: 10<sup>th</sup> round

## Saturday 27 April

9:00 am: 11th and last round

to be followed by possible play-offs

16:00: Closing and Award ceremony

## Sunday, 28 April

• Departure.

# Prize Money (> € 5,500) (1)

1<sup>st</sup> place: € 1,500 2<sup>nd</sup> place: € 1,000 3<sup>rd</sup> place: € 750 4<sup>th</sup> place: € 500 5<sup>th</sup> place: € 400 6<sup>th</sup> place: € 300 7<sup>th</sup> place: € 250 8<sup>th</sup> place: € 200 9<sup>th</sup> place: € 150 10<sup>th</sup> place: € 150 11<sup>th</sup> place: € 150 12<sup>th</sup> place: € 150

The first of the foreigners will be guaranteed a minimum prize of € 1,000 (one thousand).

(1) Pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 120 of 29.8.2023 (Sports Reform), reimbursement of expenses, to be considered as such, must be accompanied by proof of expenditure (receipts/receipts for board, lodging and tolls and 0.23 €/km of fuel costs). Otherwise, it must be considered a prize and taxed at 20%.