

CHESSPLAYER'S CHARTER

RESPECT THE RULES

- Games are played according to the Rules of Play as defined and adopted by the international Chess Federation and the French Chess Federation. These rules must be observed in good faith.
- The result of the game or match must be obtained fairly, in accordance with sporting ethics and without any prior negotiation. Any behaviour liable to harm another competitor or to bring our sport into disrepute is strictly forbidden.
- Sharing the point by mutual agreement must not result from considerations outside the sporting context and can only arise during the course of a genuine game.

RESPECT ONE'S OPPONENTS

- Respecting one's opponents means not resorting to anything illegal, to external sources of information or to any form of cheating.
- Respecting one's opponents means not distracting or disturbing them in any way at all.
- Respecting one's opponents means always addressing them courteously and politely.

RESPECT THE ARBITERS

- By competing in a registered competition players agree to play under the control of arbiters who have all the authority necessary to see to the observance of the Rules of Play.
- The arbiters are the official representatives of the French Chess Federation at the tournament venue and guarantee respect for its rules and for sportsmanship.
- Players must comply with an arbiter's decision during play. They can lodge an oral appeal at the time, but they must make a written claim as soon as possible in a manner which must be explained by the arbiters.

RESPECT THE ORGANISERS

- Every player must contribute to the smooth running of the competition.
- By entering a registered competition players accept the Tournament Rules displayed in the playing area.
- Any complaints about the organisation will only be considered if appropriately formulated.

Players who contravene this Chessplayer's Charter at a registered event are liable to sporting penalties or disciplinary sanctions. By entering a competition organised under the auspices of the French Chess Federation players agree to respect the present charter, which was adopted by the Federation on 21 June 2003, the Code of Ethics amended by FIDE at the Erewan Congress in 1996 and the Sportsman's Code issued by the French Association for Fair Play and no Violence in Sport (AFSVFP).