

## Rules and information for Kvibergspelen Grandprix 20220930-20221002

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1. Kvibergspelen is part of the Swedish Grandprix circuit of competitions. [Swedish chess federation GP webpage](#)

2. At the same time as Kvibergspelen a separate tournament for U1600 Elo players is organised called Lilla Kvibergspelen. Format and regulations for this tournament are in most regards the same as the ones for Kvibergspelen presented below. See Lilla Kvibergspelen invitation and the Swedish GP website above for specifics.

3. The [FIDE Laws of Chess](#) apply. The [FIDE competition rules](#) also apply. [Swedish competition rules](#) (in swedish) as well.

4. The time controls are:

Games 1-4 (rapid rated) 15min+5s/move (rapid chess rules "appendix A4" apply)

Note: In games 1-4 no recording of moves is necessary. Score sheets will still be provided.

Games 5-8 (standard rated) 90min+30s/move

Note: With this time control there is no extra time at move 40.

In games 5-8 the moves must be recorded throughout the entire game. After the game score sheets are kept by the players unless something else is explicitly said.

5. The pairing system used is Fide Swiss (dutch system). Pairings are done using the Swedish chess federation website and can be found [here](#). The program that has been built in to that site to handle the pairing is [JaVaFo](#) and this is supposed to follow the [Fide Swiss rules \(dutch\) system](#) to the letter. Pairings done (in both rpd. And std. games) according to 1. std elo 2. rpd. 3. blitz

6. Any player who arrives at the chessboard more than half an hour after the scheduled start of the game (i.e. irregardless of when the game clock in that particular game was started) shall lose the game unless the arbiter decides otherwise. Forfeiting a game like this leads to the player not being included in the pairing for subsequent rounds unless the pairings official decides otherwise. Players missing a round for whatever reason are advised to contact the pairings official or chief organiser.

7. A player is forbidden to have a mobile phone, electronic means of communication (like smart watches) or any device capable of suggesting chess moves on their person in the playing venue. However, it is allowed to store such devices in a player's bag, as long as the device is completely switched off. A player is forbidden to carry a bag holding such a device without permission of the arbiter. If it is evident that a player has such a device on their person in the playing venue (and the player's own game is still going on), the player shall lose the game unless the arbiter decides otherwise. Mobile phones cannot be stored at the tournament office. If a spectators' mobile phone rings, he or she risks being expelled from the venue. Suspected cases of cheating are handled in accordance with principles laid out by Fide and with full collaboration from the Swedish chess federation.

8. Spectators are allowed inside the playing area (defined as any room where play is going on and areas immediately outside) as long as they do not interfere and don't use electronic devices.

Note: Players who have finished their games shall be considered to be spectators and are very much subject to these rules.

9. Smoking (including e-cigarettes) is only allowed outside, on designated smoking patches in front of the arena main entrance. Alcohol is not allowed in the playing area and consumption is to take place before or after rounds – not during. Other forms of drugs and stimuli are banned.

10. Analysis is not allowed in the playing area unless a playing room is completely finished. Please use designated analysis areas instead. Chess boards, pieces, clocks, furniture, etc. may not be removed from the playing areas, even for analysis purposes.

11. The score of the games are to be recorded on a list at the tournament office. Both players are equally responsible for making sure the result of the game is reported. In case of wrong inputs swiftly contact the pairings official or chief organiser.

12. Prizes (excluding rating- and special prizes – see below) are divided according to the Hort-system. This dictates that in a group of players with equal score half the sum of all the prizes won by the players in question is split equally, while the remaining part of the prize sums are distributed unevenly according to placement. Tiebreaks to determine placements are:

1. Buchholz cut-1. Calculated, put simply, through adding together the points of all opponents minus the lowest scoring opponent. [Detailed explanation \(in swedish\)](#). Bucholz cut-1 questions may in rare cases be referred to the swedish chess federation for answering. 2. Results of players in the same point group (head-to-head) 3. Most wins 4. Most games as black 5. drawing of lots but with evenly split prizes between participants of the lot-drawing. All tiebreaks (1-4) are applied before a Hort-split is made. For Kvibergspelen players finishing 9<sup>th</sup> and lower and for Lilla Kvibergspelen players finishing 6<sup>th</sup> and lower are not included in Hort-system splits. This is to prevent very large splits and indirectly splits where very small sums go to the players with the lowest tiebreaks.

13. Rating group prizes and "special prizes", meaning U20, U16, 65+ and best female player are not split according to the Hort-system. The only way these prizes are split is if tiebreaks 1-4 above are the same; then an even split is made. Only players below E2300 can win special prizes. The same player can't win more than one special prize. In cases where someone wins more than one special-prize group the prize they would forfeit is in order (from left to right) U20, U16, 65+, best female player. This prize would instead go to the best placed eligible player in that special-prize group. U20 & U16 is not defined literally; these groups are also open to players having turned 20 (or 16) the same year Kvibergspelen is played.

All prizes are paid via bank-account. Preliminary taxes of (in most cases) 30% are deducted. Prize-winners will be asked to fill in a form with their account details and, in case of swedish players, social security number. The form can be found at the secretariat (or send account details by email to [info@ssmanhem.se](mailto:info@ssmanhem.se)). This because of strict rules from Skatteverket - the swedish tax authority. Effectively chess has been deemed to be neither a sport or hobby, but a serious occupation and way to earn money even for casual players. Counter to the interest of chess players in Sweden this has held up in court on two occasions. GP rules state prizes not claimed for 1 month after the tournament are forfeit.

14. Decisions made by the arbiters can be brought before the appeals committee. This consists of three persons, two of them being representatives of the players. In case of a protest to the appeals committee a signed message, at least briefly detailing what is wrong, is to be handed in along with a deposition fee of 200SEK (or 400SEK if the protest is from a third party). All or some of this deposition fee may be returned if the protest is deemed reasonable. Protest are to be handed in Sunday 2/10, 19.00 at the latest yet can under some circumstances be processed after this time as well.

15. Rating for all games in the competition will be credited 1/11.

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