



59th Cincinnati Open

April 11-13, 2024 • Embassy Suites Hotel, Blue Ash, Ohio



Sections and Prizes: Nine sections. \$17,000 prize pool based on 270 paid entries. Players may play up but not more than two sections. Unrated players may play in any UNDER section but may not play in any FIDE section, and may win no more than the second-place prize amount in their section.

Section	Floor Rating	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	U1501	U1301
FIDE Elite (no ceiling)	1801	\$1,225	\$765	\$610	\$460		
FIDE Expert (U2201)	1601	\$1,090	\$680	\$540	\$410		
FIDE Class (U2001)	1401	\$950	\$595	\$475	\$360		
Seniors U1801*	no floor	\$715	\$445			\$355	\$270
U1801	1201	\$850	\$530	\$425	\$320		
U1601	1001	\$715	\$445	\$355	\$270		
U1401	no floor	\$580	\$360	\$285	\$220		
U1201	no floor	\$405	\$255	\$205	\$155		
U1001	no floor	\$270	\$170	\$135	\$105		

*Only players born in or before 1975 may play in this section.

FIDE Sections – FIDE Elite (no ceiling), FIDE Expert (U2201) and FIDE Class (U2001) sections are FIDE rated except for rounds 1 and 2 of the 2-day schedule. Players must be current USCF members and have a FIDE Identification Number (FIN). Players with no USCF Regular rating must have a FIDE standard rating of 1579 or higher (1464 or higher if under the age of 18) to play in a FIDE section.

Time control: 40/90,SD/30;+30 except 2-day schedule rounds 1 and 2 are G/75;d5.

Schedules: 3-Day: Fri 7:00 pm, Sat 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Sun 9:30 am & 3:00 pm

2-Day: Sat 11:00 am, 2:30 pm & 6:00 pm, Sun 9:30 am & 3:00 pm

Details of rules governing the FIDE sections are posted at www.chesscincinnati.com/cincinnati-open/.

The organizers will provide all pieces, boards, clocks and scoresheets for the FIDE sections.

UNDER Sections – Seniors U1801, U1801, U1601, U1401, U1201, U1001. Players must be current USCF members. Official USCF Regular ratings as of April 1, 2025 will be used, except that unofficial ratings, if available, will be used for players who are officially unrated or for players who choose to use an unofficial rating higher than their official rating.

Time control: G/110;d5 all rounds.

Schedule: 1 Fri 7:00 pm, 2 Sat 9:30 am, 3 Sat 2:00 pm, 4 Sat 7:00 pm, 5 Sun 9:30 am, 6 Sun 2:00 pm.

Players must select one round of the six for a zero-point bye so that all players play a five-round schedule. See www.chesscincinnati.com/cincinnati-open/ for details.

Players are responsible for bringing pieces, boards and clocks. Scoresheets will be available at the tournament.

Optional Byes: Players may elect to take one or two half-point byes, but must commit by 5:00 pm Saturday, April 12. For the UNDER sections, these byes are additional to the required zero-point bye.

Venue: Embassy Suites, 4554 Lake Forest Drive, Blue Ash, OH 45242. Hotel rates are \$119 for a king suite and \$129 for a suite with two queen beds. For online booking and a map visit www.chesscincinnati.com/cincinnati-open/.

Entry fees: Advance entry – \$120 through Friday, April 4 and \$135 thereafter until 8:00 am on Friday, April 11; enter online at www.chesscincinnati.com/cincinnati-open/ or by mail using the entry form on the other side.

Onsite entry – \$150 on Friday, April 11, 5:00–6:00 pm and Saturday, April 12, 8:00–10:00 am.

Other: No smoking. No computers. For complete details visit www.chesscincinnati.com/cincinnati-open/.

2025 CINCINNATI OPEN ENTRY FORM

Player name:	USCF ID:
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Street:	City:	State:	Zip:
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10-digit phone:	Email:
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Complete either the **FIDE** part or the **UNDER** part but not both. Complete the **USCF** part only if you are purchasing a new USCF membership or renewing a current or expired USCF membership.

FIDE	FIDE ID:	Section: <input type="checkbox"/> FIDE Elite (no ceiling) <input type="checkbox"/> FIDE Expert (U2201) <input type="checkbox"/> FIDE Class (U2001)	Schedule: <input type="checkbox"/> 3-day <input type="checkbox"/> 2-day Bye(s): <input type="checkbox"/> No bye OR choose up to two: Round <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5
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UNDER	Section: <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors U1801* <input type="checkbox"/> U1801 <input type="checkbox"/> U1601 <input type="checkbox"/> U1401 <input type="checkbox"/> U1201 <input type="checkbox"/> U1001 <i>*Only players born in or before 1975 are eligible to play in the Seniors U1801 section.</i> Unrated players may play in any section but may win no more than the second-place prize amount in their section. Bye round(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Fri 7:00 <input type="checkbox"/> Sat 9:30 <input type="checkbox"/> Sat 2:00 <input type="checkbox"/> Sat 7:00 <input type="checkbox"/> Sun 9:30 <input type="checkbox"/> Sun 2:00 Every player <i>must</i> select one round for a zero-point bye, and may select up to two additional rounds for optional half-point byes. The zero-point bye will be the earliest bye round selected.
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USCF	<input type="checkbox"/> Purchasing a new membership <input type="checkbox"/> Renewing a current or expired membership Middle name/initial: _____ (if none, leave blank) Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____ Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male Select membership type and magazine option if purchasing or renewing a membership: <table style="width:100%; border:none;"> <tr> <td style="width:30%;">Senior (ages 65 and over)</td> <td style="width:30%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$48 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$93</td> <td style="width:40%;">Magazine options:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adult (ages 25-64)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$54 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$105</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Chess Life \$12.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Young Adult (ages 19-24)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$33 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$63</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Chess Life for Kids \$6.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth (ages 18 and under)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$24 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$45</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> No print magazine</td> </tr> </table> <p><i>Dues shown are as of January 1, 2025. You may renew at lower rates through December 31, 2024 on the USCF website: https://new.uschess.org/join-us-chess.</i></p>	Senior (ages 65 and over)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$48 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$93	Magazine options:	Adult (ages 25-64)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$54 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$105	<input type="checkbox"/> Chess Life \$12.00	Young Adult (ages 19-24)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$33 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$63	<input type="checkbox"/> Chess Life for Kids \$6.00	Youth (ages 18 and under)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 year \$24 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years \$45	<input type="checkbox"/> No print magazine
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Entry fee: Advance through April 4: \$120.00 Advance after April 4: \$135.00
 Onsite: \$150.00 None: GM/IM (\$120 will be deducted from any prize won.)
 Total payable (entry fee plus USCF dues plus magazine as applicable): \$ _____

If entering in advance by mail, mail your completed entry form, with a check payable to Cincinnati Scholastic Chess, to Cincinnati Open, 9180 Pinewood Drive, Loveland, OH 45140-8234. If entering onsite, you may pay by cash or credit card. **Advance entries must be received on or before Friday, April 11, 2025.**

If you need any special accommodation to play in this event, please identify here your need and your preferred solution to meet it.