

OREGON JUNIOR CLOSED

The Oregon Chess Federation (OCF) will sponsor or co-sponsor the Oregon Junior Closed tournament each year.

1. There are two sections, Championship and Challengers, both of which are a six-player round robin. The six highest established rated players that accept the invitation, based on the current US Chess regular rating supplement when the invitations are sent out, qualify for the Championship section and the next six highest rated players that accept the invitation qualify for the Challengers section.
2. All players must be Oregon residents based on the same criteria used for the Oregon Closed and be under the age of 19 through the dates of the tournament. Only players listed as Oregon residents in US Chess records or who are known to be Oregon residents will be eligible to receive an invitation, with the exception that an Oregon resident who shows another state on US Chess records may notify the OCF Tournament Coordinator or President prior to when the invitations are sent out that they meet the residency requirements and wish to be considered for an invitation. It is the ultimately the players' responsibility to ensure that the OCF board has the correct contact information for them in order to be able to receive an invitation.
3. At the discretion of the tournament director, a \$25 entry fee may be charged, refunded to the player upon completion of all games without a forfeit loss.
4. Both sections are US Chess rated and may also be rated in other systems, such as the NWSRS and FIDE, based on the decision of the organizer(s). All players must have current US Chess and OCF memberships through the dates of the tournament.
5. The time control and schedule will be determined by the organizer(s).
6. The prize fund will be determined by the OCF Board. The winner(s) of the Championship section receive(s) the title of Oregon Junior Champion for the current year and the winner (on tiebreaks if necessary) qualifies for the Championship section of the following year's Oregon Closed (assuming they meet the other criteria). The winner(s) of the Challengers section receive(s) the title of Oregon Junior Challengers Winner for the current year. If all the tied players do not wish to be co-champions, the title can be determined by a playoff, the format of which must be agreed upon by all tied players and the OCF Board. The OCF Board will have the right of veto on financial grounds. If the tie-breaking event results in a tie or the players and OCF Board cannot agree on the playoff format, then the tied players will be declared co-champions.
7. Reasonable expenses such as site rental, director's fees, and rating fees will be paid by the sponsor(s).
8. The OCF Board will resolve any disputes concerning the selection of players for the Oregon Junior Closed.