

“III POBLE-SEC INTERNATIONAL RAPID CHESS OPEN”

Tournament included in the 22nd Edition of the 2026 Catalan Circuit of International Opens.

DATE AND TIME OF PLAY:

Saturday, June 20, 2026, at 09:30 a.m.

VENUE:

Civic Center El Sortidor (Capacity: 160 people. Limited seats by registration order. Wheelchair accessible.)

Address: Plaça del Sortidor, 12, 08004 Barcelona. Spain.

How to get there: Metro L3 (Poble-Sec or Paral·lel), Bus V9.

ROUNDS AND SCHEDULE:

9 rounds, Swiss System

- **Morning:** 5 rounds, starting at 09:30
- **Afternoon:** 4 rounds, starting at 16:00

Pairings will be done using Swiss Manager software. No claims will be accepted regarding pairings unless the arbiter deems it necessary.

TIME CONTROL:

15 minutes + 5 seconds increment per move

GROUPS AND RATINGS:

Single group

Rated for **FIDE Rapid Elo** and **Catalan Rapid Elo**

Ranking Order:

1. FIDE Rapid
2. FIDE Standard
3. Catalan Rapid

All players must have a valid federation license and a FIDE ID. If you do not have one, you must contact the organizers by **June 18** at the latest. The organizers reserve the right of admission.

REGISTRATION:

- Fill in the form at: <https://forms.gle/7RS23kkkb3FcQFnh9>
- For more information: comtalescacs@gmail.com

Registration is not considered complete until payment has been made.

FEES:

- General: €25
- Under 16 (born 2010 or later): €20
- Over 65: €20
- Persons with disabilities (recognized by the Catalan Chess Federation): €15
- Members of Escacs Comtal Club: €15

Players invited by the organization are exempt from payment.

Payment: Transfer by **June 19** to account **ES85 0073 0100 5605 0524 4186** Include “Actiu + full name” in the payment description.

The organization reserves the right to cancel any registration.

NO-SHOWS AND WITHDRAWALS:

One unexcused no-show may result in removal from the tournament, at the arbiter's discretion.

Players have 15 minutes to appear at the board; otherwise, they forfeit the game.

MOBILE PHONES:

Mobile phone use is prohibited in the playing area or any area designated by the arbiter, unless authorized.

If a phone rings, the player loses the game.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS:

Gerard Rodríguez and Joan Xancó

CHIEF ARBITER:

IA Manuel Navarro Pérez

Arbiter decisions are final. Official complaint forms will be available at the venue to be submitted to the Catalan Chess Federation. There will be no Appeals Committee.

TIEBREAKS:

Ties in final standings will be resolved as follows:

1. Buchholz-1 (BH-C1)
2. Perfect tournament performance (PTP)

The order of the above two tiebreaks will be drawn after the last round. If still tied, the following will be used:

1. Direct encounter (DE)
2. Opponents' average perfect performance (APPO)
3. Total Buchholz (BH)

If the tie persists, a draw will be held.

PRIZES:

Cash prizes will be awarded the same day after the final round.

Prizes are not cumulative.

Only players who collect their prize in person will receive it.

FIDE Rapid rating will be used to assign rating sections. If not available, FIDE Standard or Catalan Rapid Elo will be used.

ID is required to claim a cash prize. Taxes will be applied as per current laws.

Total prize fund: €2,320

GENERAL CLASSIFICATION

1st: 450€ + Josep Devesa Trophy

2nd: 300€ + Joan Monereo Trophy

3rd: 200€ + Joan Sererols Trophy

4th: 120€

5th: 100€

6th: 90€

7th: 80€

8th: 70€

RATING SECTIONS (FIDE Elo)

Section	1st	2nd
A (2250–2400)	60€	40€
B (2100–2249)	60€	40€
C (1950–2099)	60€	40€
D (1800–1949)	60€	40€
E (1650–1799)	60€	40€
F (<1650)	60€	40€

AGE PRIZES

- Under 16: 30€* + Joaquim Bosacoma Trophy
- Under 14: 30€* + Josep Vilardebò Trophy
- Under 12: 30€* + Jordi Àlvarez Trophy

*Gift cards for Peón Negro chess shop

SPECIAL PRIZES

- Best Local Player: 60€ + Plàcid Soler Trophy
- Best Female Player: 60€ + Pepita Ferrer Trophy
- Best Senior (65+): 60€ + Lluís Febrero Trophy

MEDIA:

Participants authorize the use of photos or recordings for informational, cultural, or promotional purposes.

OTHER RULES:

Any points not covered in these rules will be resolved according to FIDE and the Catalan Chess Federation regulations.

Organized by: Escacs Comtal Club

