“Goris Open”

International Chess Tournament

November 21-28, 2026

The Chess Academy of Armenia and Syunik Chess Federation are organizing the **2nd “Goris Open” International Chess Tournament** from November 21 to November 28, 2026, at the “BMG” hotel in Goris (33/3 Gusan Ashot Street, Goris, Syunik Province, Republic of Armenia).



“Goris Open” International Chess Tournament will be held in A and B groups:

Group A Tournament is open to players with 2000 and above international rating.

* The tournament organizer may allow a restricted number of young chess players with international rating below 2000 to compete in Group A tournament with additional fee.

Group B Tournament is open to players with below 2100 international rating and a limited number of unrated players.

The tournaments will be held in a 9-round Swiss system in accordance with FIDE Laws of Chess.

Time Control

90 minutes for the entire game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move one.

Players arriving more than 30 minutes late will be recorded as defeated.

Prize Fund: 10,000,000 AMD (Armenian drams) ≈ 26,000 USD

		Group A Tournament	
Main Prizes		**Special Prizes**	
I	2 400 000	With international rating U2200	120 000
II	1 800 000	With international rating U2100	100 000
III	1 400 000	50+ senior	100 000
IV	750 000	Women 1st place	130 000
V	500 000	Women 2nd place	110 000
VI	350 000	Under 16	100 000
VII	250 000	Best result among Syunik Province	100 000
VIII-X	150 000		
		Group B Tournament	
Main Prizes		**Special Prizes**	
I	300 000	50+ senior	50 000
II	200 000	65+ senior	60 000
III	150 000	Women 1st place	60 000
IV	100 000	Women 2nd place	50 000
V	70 000	Under 14	50 000
VI	60 000	Under 14 girl	40 000
VII	50 000	Under 12	40 000
		Best result among Syunik Province	60 000

***All prizes are subject to income tax implications according to the laws of the Republic of Armenia.**

Tie-Breaks: Tie-breaks will be carried out according to the following order:

a) Cut Buchholz-1,

b) Buchholz,

c) Results of direct encounters between the tied players (if all the tied players have met each other),

d) The greater number of games played with black

e) The greater number of victories.

The prizes will not be shared and are distributed according to the final ranking. Each prize holder can win only one prize. If a participant qualifies for both a main and a special prize, only the main prize will be awarded.

Our partner ChessMood Inc. has established special prizes for the participants of the tournament. The winners will receive 20 subscription packages, which can be used at www.chessmood.com

Group A tournament		Group B tournament	
I	1 year	I	6 months
II	6 months	II	3 months
III	3 months	III	1 month
Best result among women	6 months	Women 1st place	3 months
Under 16 B&G	3 months	Under 14 B&G	1 month
Under 14 B&G	3 months	Under 12 B&G	1 month
64th place	1 month	Under 10 B&G	1 month
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Our partner, *Chessify*, has established special prizes for the tournament participants. The winner will receive a $1,500 worth of "*ChessifyCoin*", which can be used at www.chessify.me

Group A tournament		Group B tournament	
I	400	I	100
II	300	II	70
III	200	III	50
IV	150		
V	130		
Women 1st place	100		

Schedule:

Event	Group A and B tournaments
Opening ceremony	21 November, 15:00
1st round	21 November, 15:30
2nd round	22 November, 11:00
3rd round	22 November, 16:00
4th round	23 November, 15:30
5th round	24 November, 11:00
6th round	24 November, 17:00
Blitz tournament	25 November, 15:30
7th round	26 November, 15:30
8th round	27 November, 15:30
9th round	28 November, 11:00
Closing ceremony	28 November, 16:00

Entry fee:

Participants		**Group A tournament until 15.10.2026**	**Group A tournament 16.10.2026 - 10.11.2026**	**Group A tournament 11.11.2026 - 21.11.2026**
GM, WGM		Free of charge	Free of charge	Free of charge
With the rating 2450 and/or above		Free of charge	Free of charge	Free of charge
With the ratings 2301-2450	IM, WIM	**15 000**	**20 000**	**40 000**
	FM	**20 000**	**25 000**	**50 000**
	Untitled	**25 000**	**30 000**	**60 000**
With the ratings 2201-2300	IM, WIM	**20 000**	**25 000**	**50 000**
	FM	**25 000**	**30 000**	**60 000**
	Untitled	**30 000**	**35 000**	**70 000**
With the ratings 2001-2200	IM, WIM	**30 000**	**35 000**	**70 000**
	FM	**35 000**	**40 000**	**80 000**
	Untitled	**45 000**	**50 000**	**100 000**
Participants		**Group B Tournament until 15.10.2026**	**Group B Tournament 16.10.2026 - 10.11.2026**	**Group B Tournament 11.11.2026 - 21.11.2026**
With the ratings 1800-2100		**20 000**	**25 000**	**50 000**
With the ratings Under 1800		**25 000**	**30 000**	**60 000**
Unrated players /limited/		**30 000**	**35 000**	**70 000**

All students and coaches of the Chess Academy of Armenia will receive a 20% discount on the entry fee.
Chess players from Syunik will receive a 50% discount on the entry fee.
Chess players who placed 1st to 3rd in the Armenian Boys and Girls Championships will receive a 50% discount on the entry fee.
In case of a refund of the entry fee, a 20% deduction will be applied.

Hotels:

Hotel	**Room Type**	**Price with breakfast per person /AMD/**	**Price with breakfast and dinner per person /AMD/**	**Price with full board per person /AMD/**
BMG Hotel	Single	21 000	25 000	30 000
	Double	11 000	15 000	20 000
	Triple	10 000	14 000	19 000
Mthnadzor Hotel	Single	12 000	-	15 000
	Double	8 000	-	14 000

* Room prices are for per person per night. The number of rooms is strictly limited.

Registration:
The participation fee can be transferred to the bank account listed below. During the transfer, please indicate in the "Purpose" field: the tournament name, participant's full name, date of birth, rating/category, and the phone number.

Bank Details:
Beneficiary: "Chess Academy of Armenia" Fund
Bank: Ameriabank CJSC
Account Number: 1570018417800100
TIN: 02560522

For all administrative issues (registration, hotel, transport) contact **the Chess Academy of Armenia**

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All expenses of the participants and coaches are covered by the sending organization.

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