

The world's largest open tournament 2024 is back!

grenke Chess Open in Karlsruhe

Date:	17th – 21st April 2025 (Easter)	
Venue:	Congress Center Karlsruhe, Schwarzwaldhalle, Festplatz 5, 76137 Karlsruhe	
Schedule:	Opening and Round 1: Thursday, 17th April 2025 approx. 18:30 Round 2: Friday, 18th April 2025 at 10:00 Round 3: Friday, 18th April 2025, at 16:00 Round 4: Saturday, 19th April 2025 at 10:00 Round 5: Saturday, 19th April 2025 at 16:00 Round 6: Sunday, 20th April 2025 at 10:00 Round 7: Sunday, 20th April 2025 at 16:00 Round 8: Monday, 21st April 2025 at 10:00 Round 9: Monday, 21st April 2025 at 16:00 Awards Ceremony following the final round	
Registration Deadline:	All participants must confirm their participation on 17th April by 17:00 on-site or through online check-in (even if pre-registered)! The playing venue opens at 15:00	
Format:	9 Rounds Swiss System , computer pairing with Swiss Chess Time Control: 90 minutes for the game + 30 seconds per move From the 2nd till the end of the 4th round, it's possible to once switch to the grenke Freestyle Chess Open . The switch must be registered before the pairing of the respective round. Points earned in the grenke Chess Open will be carried over. Players who switch to the Freestyle A-Open are not eligible for prizes there. Default time: 30 minutes (For Round 1, the default time will be announced at the opening)	
Total Prize Fund: €70,000		
A-Open (for players with DWZ or ELO greater than 1950)		
Prize Fund:	60.250 EUR	
Prizes:	1. €20,000 + Trophy 2. €10,000 3. €7,000 4. €5,000 5. €3,000 6. €2,000	9. €700 10. €500 11. €400 12. €300 13. €250 14. €200

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Special Prizes:	Team (4 players from the same club): €300, €200, €100 Best Woman: €3,000, €2,000, €1,000 Best Senior (born in 1965 or earlier): €750 TWZ 2350-2251: €200 TWZ 2250-2151: €200 TWZ 2150-2051: €200 TWZ 2050-1951: €200	
B-Open (for players with DWZ and ELO less than 2000)		
Prize Fund:	€7,750	
Prizes:	1. €2,000 + Trophy 2. €1,500 3. €1,000 4. €750 5. €500	6. €300 7. €200 8. €100 9. €50
Special Prizes:	Team (4 players from the same club): €200, €150, €100 Best Woman: €150 Best Pupil (born in 2011 or later): €150 Best Senior (born in 1965 or earlier): €150 TWZ 1800-1701: €150 TWZ 1700-1: €150 Largest rating gain (DWZ): €150 (based on preliminary results prior to the prize ceremony)	
C-Open (for players with DWZ less than 1400 and ELO less than 1600)		
Prize Fund:	€2,000	
Prizes:	1. €1,000 + Trophy 2. €500 3. €300 4. €100	
Special Prize:	DWZ 1100-1: €50 Largest rating gain (DWZ): €50 (based on preliminary results prior to the prize ceremony)	
Ratings:	The tournaments will be rated nationally and internationally (ELO). The A-Open offers the chance to play for IM/GM norms.	
Participation:	All participants require a FIDE ID. For more information, please contact your local chess federation.	

	<p>The specified DWZ and Elo limits are binding. The ratings at the start of the tournament determine the group allocation. If a rating limit is exceeded after registration, the player must switch to the corresponding higher tournament.</p> <p>For participation in the A-Open, it is sufficient if the required rating was achieved at least once during the registration period.</p>																
Players without DWZ and Elo Rating:	<p>Foreign players without DWZ (German National Rating) or ELO Rating require a written confirmation of playing strength (e.g. national rating) from their chess federation. For German players without a rating, the tournament director decides on participation in A-, B-, or C-Open (pre-registration requested).</p>																
Prizes:	<p>All prizes are guaranteed. Each player can only win one prize (except team prizes). In the event of a tie, Buchholz will be used as the tiebreaker.</p> <p>The main prizes in the A-Open are distributed according to the Hort system. Special prizes and rating prizes, as well as the prizes in the B- and C-Open, are not shared. Special prizes are awarded only if there are at least 5 participants per category.</p> <p>Rating prizes in the A- and B-Open are awarded based on TWZ. TWZ is the Elo rating if available, otherwise the DWZ rating is used.</p> <p>Attendance at the awards ceremony is mandatory for prize money payouts.</p> <p>Prize money for persons not subject to tax in Germany is handled in accordance with the German Income Tax Act (EStG).</p>																
Registration:	<p>Registration online at: grenkechessopen.de</p> <p>The entry fee must be transferred to the account of Schachzentrum Baden-Baden e.V. - specified in the registration confirmation - by 11th April 2025. Please make sure to include your name, date of birth, and club in the payment reference.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Entry Fees</th> <th>A-Open</th> <th>B-Open</th> <th>C-Open</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Adults</td> <td>€80</td> <td>€65</td> <td>€45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Juniors (born 2005 - 2010)</td> <td>€60</td> <td>€50</td> <td>€40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pupils (born 2011 or later)</td> <td>€45</td> <td>€40</td> <td>€35</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>GM/IM/WGM/WIM in A-Open: Free entry Late Registration Fee: +10€ for registration or payment after 11th April 2025 On-site Registration: 17th April 2025, until 17:00</p>	Entry Fees	A-Open	B-Open	C-Open	Adults	€80	€65	€45	Juniors (born 2005 - 2010)	€60	€50	€40	Pupils (born 2011 or later)	€45	€40	€35
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Arbiters:	<p>Jens Wolter, International Arbiter Michael Rütten, International Arbiter Michael Weber, International Arbiter Carsten Haase, International Arbiter Claudia Münstermann, International Arbiter Sandra Schmidt, International Arbiter Jonas Studer, International Arbiter Andre van der Graaf, International Arbiter Angelique van der Graaf, International Arbiter Fabian Winker, International Arbiter</p>																

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