

Regulations

Of the third personal world championship of problems (PWCP-III), Small problems section.

1. The third Personal World Championship of Problems, Small problems section (PWCP-III), is an official world championship of the World Draughts Federation (Fédération Mondiale du Jeu de Dames - FMJD). The FMJD bears the ultimate responsibility for this world championship. The FMJD Board of Directors (CD) charged the composition commission (Commission du Problemisme International – CPI FMJD) with organizing and control of the PWCP-III.

2. The championship period – **from 15th of September 2009 till 15th of September 2010.**

The PWCP-III is carried out according to the CPI FMJD International Rules (RI) for problems (Part I) and for competitions (Part II) and also according to the Instructions for the judges developed and approved by the CPI during the holding of PWCP-II.

3. Allowed to the championship are small problems (without Kings in initial position) which correspond to levels either “Règles de Maîtres” (RM), or “Règles Supérieures”(RS). The small problems which correspond to the “Règles de Base” (RB) level only are not allowed.

Team or cooperative participation is forbidden. Published problems (or minor alterations) which took part in any competition as well as problems which have been published in electronic mass media, including forums of various sites, are not allowed.

4. The PWCP-III is carried out in four categories. In all categories White plays and wins. The PWCP-III categories have the following conditions:
In all the categories White can start with sacrifices (combination) or with moves that do not force Black to capture (forcing).

Category A. The number of pieces is: 6x8, 7x8, 8x7, 8x8. The theme is free.

Category B. The number of pieces is 6x8, 7x8 (8x7), till 9x9 including 7x9. The theme: The solution has to result in opposition of Kings in any diagonal(s) of the draughts board. Example: D46/D5; D5/D46; D50/D6, 45; D50, 45/D6; D25/D48, D3 and so on.
This position can be reached after a capture by the White King or otherwise.

Category C. The number of pieces is 7x9 or 8x9, 9x8 or 9x9. The theme is free.

Category D. The number of pieces is 6x8, 7x8 (8x7) till 9x9 including 7x9. The theme: the combination should contain at least two thematic variants. The finals of these variants can be different or the same, but the combinational play must be different. The split in thematic variants can be reached at any moment of the solution, but must be a choice of captures.

Example: M. Fedorov, International contest “Lithuania-2006”: 1-21-29-31-32-35-38-42/ 6-11-18-40-41-43-44-45 Solution: 7, 1, 37, 34(29x40 A), 16, 49+ A(49x40), 30, 34, 16+

Example: Scheijen /v. Prooijen: 7-8-9-19-24-27-36-45/ 25-28-33-34-38-41-42-44-50
Solution: 40, 32 (27x29) 1 (6) 20 (34 A) 40 (28) 44, 6. A (15) 34 (20 B) 25, 39, 39 (24) 34 B (1) 35, 44. The moment of the A variant is a choice of captures, the B variant is not.

The CPI FMJD takes notice that the majority with two pieces of Whites is allowed according to “Règles de Maîtres” (RM) of International Rules (RI) point 1.17.2 b.

5. In each category a participant can offer not more than two compositions, indicating the competition category and the full solution till the moment when Whites win without any doubt. Solution should be given in a short form with indicating only compositional variants and compositional false directions and, if necessary, proof of initial position’s legality. The

coordinator gives these solutions in publication on websites or another mass media. At the same time participant can give non-combinational variants, proofs of the only solution, indicate why that or another piece is not a figurant and so on in separate addition to solution. Such additions are sent to the judges by the coordinator but not published with positions.

6. Results of PWCP-III. There should be two steps:

1) The members of jury value the compositions by 100 points scale and determine the places for each composition in every Category.

2) then the compositions receive points according to their places – the first place – 100 points, the second place – 97 points, the third place – 94 points, the fourth place – 92 points, the fifth place – 90, the sixth place – 88, the seventh place – 87 points and so on minus one point. Elimination of participating compositions (0 points) is only allowed when based upon objective criteria as described in the RI and explained in the Instruction for the judges PWCP-III.

7. The individual scores of the PWCP-III will be determined according to the sum of his five best performances, irrespective of the category. This means that the points of all the compositions of each participant in all four categories of the championship will be taken into account.

8. Ranking of the competitors when the points as described in point 7 are equal:

a) Score sum of the 6 best performances;

b) Score sum of the 7 best performances;

c) Score sum of the 8 performances.

9. The winner of the championship in Small problems section will be given the World champion title; he will be awarded with a golden medal and a CPI FMJD diploma. The number two and three of the total scores are awarded with silver and bronze medals accordingly and diplomas.

In addition, the prize money is established as follows:

- For the I-st place – 300 US dollars;

- For the II-nd place – 200 US dollars;

- For the III-d place – 100 US dollars.

10. The jury composed of S. Zilevicius (Lithuania), I. Ivatsko (Ukraine), N. Grushevsky (Belarus), A. Nagumanov (Russia) and C. Romon (France) is formed for the direct carrying out of the PWCP-III.

Miljenko Lepsic (Croatia) is appointed the championship coordinator.

11. The championship participants are asked to send their small problems by ordinary post mail or by email but in that case problems should be sent also by ordinary post mail, **till January 15, 2010** at the address of the championship coordinator. The date of sending is fixed by post stamp. The participants can indicate their emails if they have them. The information about receiving problems will be published on the site of Miljenko Lepsic: www.minietiud.forum2x2.ru

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The World Championship Regulations will be published at the websites

FMJD site: <http://www.fmjd.org>.

TAVLEI (<http://www.gambler.ru/plus/tavlei>)

Eric van Dusseldorp site: www.ericdamsite.com,

Miljenko Lepsic site: www.minietiud.forum2x2.ru,

Preliminary and final results of PWCP-III, Small problems section, will be published at the same websites.