To ALL National Federations

Please distribute this letter to all your referees and tournament organisers.

FMJD rating system

Our aim

- To give a good measure of actual players strength.
- To give some prestige for all active players.
- To give additional stimulation for a player to participate in a competition.
- To make our list as long as possible.

What kind of competitions can be included into the system ?
Any competition played according to FMJD rules of game and competition (also time control).

(a) official (world & continental Championships)
(b) national championships seniors (also second groups and/or finals b etc. if played)
(c) national championships semi-finals
(d) national club championships, cups, etc.
(e) national Youth championships
(f) any other tournaments officially announced to the TC-FMJD (ratings@fmjd.org) and/or the FMJD office minimum 2 weeks BEFORE the tournament starts.

When should a tournament be reported to the FMJD and by whom ?
The only one person responsible for that is the MAIN REFEREE. It should be checked by the organiser (FMJD, national federation, club, organising committee, ...) if he complied his job. If not then the organiser should report the tournament with a clear remark about the referee.
The tournament report should be sent by email in any popular form (rtf, pdf, MS-World, Open Office, etc.) to the address: ratings@fmjd.org within maximum 7 days after the last day of the competition.

What should be presented in the referee report ?

Information about the competition:

- information about the referee staff (names, contacts - specially emails, languages)
- basic information about the competition (name, dates, place, sponsors, ...)
- basic technical facts about the tournament (system, time control, etc..)
- clear and full information about any special technical cases (winning games by referee decisions etc.)

To give this information you can use the FMJD-referee report form on the FMJD website.

Tournament results:
It should be done in one clear table. In individual tournaments it is not useful to send the results round by round.
The following information should be presented in the table:

- FMJD-ID
- First Name
- Surname
- FMJD-title
- FMJD-rating
- country

Important remarks:

- A report can be done in any official language of the FMJD (**ENGLISH, FRANCH and RUSSIAN**). Any Dutch, Polish, German, Italian, …, Japanese texts are FORBIDDEN.
- **First Names and surnames always should be presented using only English letters**. Maximum length for each – 17 letters.
- Do not use short versions like A.Dames or Jacek v/d Big. ALWAYS use full first names and surnames.

Example of a CORRECT presentation of a swiss tournament:

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1. 19245 gmi Andrew Svitskovsy  jp   2/27  2/32  1/2  2/7  2/3  0/4  2/5  11
2. 17456 Gerd van den Bigger nl      2/29  2/11  1/1  1/6  1/4  2/5  1/3  10
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Where it is possible to find the FMJD-ID's of the players.
It is easy to find the FMJD-ids in EACH ratings publication on the FMJD website in the alphabetic list. Also the electronic form (dbf – file) can be used for finding FMJD-ids, even for many players who do not yet have an FMJD-rating..

With any question – please contact TC-FMJD via email: ratings@fmjd.org

We trust in Your cooperation !
We really need good ratings !

Technical Committee FMJD