



**Floreal**  
Seminars



11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
Floreal Blankenberge  
Belgium





# **BELGIAN MILITARY CHESS CLUB vzw**

invites all NATO member states to take part in the

## **31<sup>st</sup> NATO Chess Championship 2021**

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### **1. LOCATION**

Floreal Blankenberge  
Koning Albertlaan 59  
8370 Blankenberge

### **2. DATE**

October 11<sup>th</sup> till October 15<sup>th</sup> 2021

### **3. RULES & REGULATIONS**

The Championship will be conducted in accordance with the Rules & Regulations for the NATO Chess Championships

(As approved by the International Military Chess Committee in Leopoldsburg, Belgium, on October 26, 2000, last version in Shrivenham, the UK, August 25, 2016).

In accordance with the decision made during the IMCC meeting in Berlin, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2019, the used time control will be 90 minutes for the whole game with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one.

### **4. COMPOSITION OF THE DELEGATION(S)**

- a. All NATO Members States are invited to take part in the Championship with teams of six players each (plus a team captain and a team official).
- b. Up to three lifetime members per nation are allowed to participate.

### **5. INSURANCE**

Participants are responsible for their own insurance arrangements.

### **6. ACCOMODATION**

- a. Civilian accommodation will be provided from October 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 (1500Hr) till October 16<sup>th</sup> 2021 (1000Hr).
- b. Countries that need extra accommodation for early arrival or/and late departure, need to send a separate request before September 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.  
Based on this request, Belgian Military Chess Club vzw will check availability, send an offer for the extra days and will further process the booking if the country wishes to respond to that offer.

### **7. MEALS**

- a. Meals will be provided from dinner of October 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 till breakfast of October 16<sup>th</sup> 2021.
- b. Countries that need extra meals for early arrival or/and late departure, need to mention this in the separate request for early arrival or/and late departure before September 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

### **8. TRANSPORT**

- a. Countries are responsible for their travel arrangements.
- b. Local transportation will be provided from and to the railway station at Blankenberge to and from Floreal Blankenberge.

## **9. POINTS OF ARRIVAL**

- a. Brussels Airport: [www.brusselsairport.be](http://www.brusselsairport.be)
  - (1) From this location you have to take the train to “Railway Station Blankenberge” with a change in “Railway Station Brussels-Midi/Zuid”.
- b. Brussels South Charleroi Airport: [www.brussels-charleroi-airport.com](http://www.brussels-charleroi-airport.com)
  - (1) From this location you have to take the bus (Bus A) to “Railway Station Charleroi-Sud/Zuid”.
  - (2) From “Railway Station Charleroi-Sud/Zuid” you have to take the train to “Railway Station Blankenberge with a change in “Railway Station Brussels-Midi/Zuid”.
- c. Railway Station Blankenberge: [www.belgianrail.be](http://www.belgianrail.be)
  - (1) A pick-up service will be provided by the organization at this location.
- d. By car:
  - (1) Floreal Blankenberge, Koning Albertlaan 59, 8370 Blankenberge
  - (2) Parking area at Floreal Blankenberge (Parking is free of charge)

## **10. ENTRY FEE**

- a. The entry fee for players, team captains, team officials and guest will be 500 Euro per person.
- b. Extra fees may be requested from guests for additional activities.
- c. The entry fee should be paid before August 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 by bank transfer with remark “NCC 2021 – NATION” to:

**Belgian Military Chess Club vzw**  
**IBAN: BE05 7340 4803 1375**  
**BIC: KREDBEBB**

## **11. DRESS CODE**

Formal uniform (or equivalent for civilians) required for the opening, prize and closing ceremonies, official picture and the entire first round.

## **12. CURRENCY**

- a. Belgian currency is the Euro (€).
- b. No other currency will be accepted.
- c. Euros can be withdrawn at an ATM or bank counter, both of which are readily available in towns.

## **13. INTERNET**

- a. Updated news concerning the 31<sup>st</sup> Championship and NATO Chess in general can be obtained from the Internet sites:
  - (1) [www.natochess.com](http://www.natochess.com)
  - (2) [www.militarychess.be](http://www.militarychess.be)
- b. Free internet access will be available at Floreal Blankenberge.

## **14. EXTRA INFORMATION**

- a. The standard voltage is 230V.
- b. The average minimum temperature in October is 8.0°C (46.4°F).
- c. The average maximum temperature in October is 15.0°C (59°F).
- d. A towel package per person is provided, but it is recommended to bring extra own towels.

**15. ORGANIZATION**

- a. Tournament director:  
Lieutenant Kimball ROSSEEL
- b. Correspondence:

**Belgian Military Chess Club vzw  
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## 16. PROGRAM

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	RESPONSIBLE
<b>Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
1500Hr – 1700Hr	Arrival of Delegations	Floreale Blankenberge	Sofie Camp
1800Hr – 2000Hr	Dinner	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
2000Hr	Team Captains Meeting	Room 7	Kimball Rosseel
<b>Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
0630Hr – 0830Hr	Breakfast	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
0900Hr	Opening Ceremony	Auditorium	Kimball Rosseel
0930Hr	Official photos	Floreale Blankenberge	
1000Hr	Standing Reception		
1200Hr – 1400Hr	Lunch	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
1400Hr	Round 1	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1800Hr – 2000Hr	Dinner	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
<b>Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
0630Hr – 0830Hr	Breakfast	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
0800Hr	Round 2	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1200Hr – 1400Hr	Lunch	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
1400Hr	Round 3	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1800Hr – 2000Hr	Dinner	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
<b>Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
0630Hr – 0830Hr	Breakfast	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
0800Hr	Round 4	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1200Hr – 1400Hr	Lunch	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
1400Hr – 1800Hr	Spare Time	Blankenberge	Sofie Camp
1800Hr – 2000Hr	Dinner	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
<b>Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
0630Hr – 0830Hr	Breakfast	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
0800Hr	Round 5	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1200Hr – 1400Hr	Lunch	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
1400Hr	Round 6	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1800Hr – 2000Hr	Dinner	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
2000Hr	IMCC Meeting	Room 7	Kimball Rosseel
<b>Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
0630Hr – 0830Hr	Breakfast	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
0800Hr	Round 7	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1200Hr – 1400Hr	Lunch	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
1430Hr – 1730Hr	Blitz Tournament	Playing Hall	Luc Cornet
1830Hr	Price Ceremony	Auditorium	Kimball Rosseel
1900Hr	Gala Dinner Closing Ceremony	Restaurant	
<b>Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 2021</b>			
0630Hr – 0830Hr	Breakfast	Restaurant	Marc Kocur
NLT 1000Hr	Clearance of the Rooms	Floreale Blankenberge	Marc Kocur
All day	Departure of Delegations	Floreale Blankenberge	Sofie Camp