

The Welsh Correspondence Chess Federation

Announces the Third States and Regions
Correspondence Chess Championship

The States and Regions Correspondence Chess Championship is a biennial team event organised by the Welsh Correspondence Chess Federation (WCCF) and open to representative teams from any country of the world. The tournament is started in the first quarter of alternate (odd) years.



Teams must represent a subdivision of a country; this could be a state, county, province, territory, etc. Eligibility to play for each team is determined by the team captain, however the WCCF Executive Committee retain the right to reject any individual or team entry. Multiple teams (for example “A” and “B” teams) may be entered from the same state or region.

Following the success of the second (2019) edition, the third (2021) edition will start on 17th January 2021, entries are now being accepted.

Structure

Teams will consist of four players; each player will play one game against each of the other players on the same board.

There will be one or more divisions, each division will consist of thirteen to fifteen teams. Allocation to the first division will be:

- The first six placed teams from Division One, Season Two
- The first two placed teams from Division Two, Season Two (Promoted)
- Any vacancies will be filled strictly by rating order

The winning team of Division One will be declared the S&RCCC Champion, the winning team and first runner up of the lower divisions will be promoted to the next division.

New teams will normally enter at the lowest division except by agreement of the WCCF Executive Committee. Teams including fewer than three players from the previous season will be considered as new teams.

Rules

All relevant ICCF rules and procedures for international team events current at the start of the tournament will apply. Team captains are strongly encouraged to arrange boards by rating order and WCCF reserve the right to enforce rating order to correct a detrimental effect on norm availability. The same player may not represent more than one team in the event or occupy more than one board for the same team.

As the S&RCCC is an ICCF approved tournament, title norms may be available depending on the rating level of each board.

Time Control

The Triple Block time control of 50 days initial time, 50 days bank, and 5 days added for each of the first fifty moves will be used with Guaranteed Time applying after Move 50. There will be no adjudications except in the case of withdrawal.

Entry

The States and Regions Correspondence Chess Championship had been approved by ICCF as an **Open** tournament; international teams may enter by contacting the organisers directly.

The entry fee for each team is £20.00 GBP, however this is discounted to £15.00 where the team captain is a Premium or International member of WCCF; all entries should be sent to the WCCF Secretary (secretary@welshccf.org.uk). Payment can be made by PayPal (via the WCCF website or directly to treasurer@welshccf.org.uk, please state the name of your team), direct bank transfer, or by cheque.

Entries will close on 3rd January 2021; games will commence shortly afterwards.

There are no prizes, however certificates will be awarded to members of the winning team of each division, and free entry will be offered to the winning team of the first division for the following season.

Previous Winners

Season One (2017)

Season one was played using the Hutton Pairing format

- [Division One](#): USA West 1 (USA)
- [Division Two](#): Štajerska (Slovenia)
- [Division Three](#): USA West 2 (USA)

Season Two (2019)

From season two, the tournament moved to a more conventional all play all format

- [Division One](#): Tirol (Austria)
- [Division Two](#): Quattro Torri Lazio (Italy)

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