

11th 4NCL Online Congress - Terms and Conditions

The submission of an entry form and payment of the entry fee denotes acceptance that 4NCL Online's decision is final in all matters to do with the congress.

It is a condition of entry that all players must have read and comply with 4NCL Online's Fair Play Guidelines and these Terms and Conditions and 4NCL Online shall have no liability (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) in relation to its implementation of the rules as set out in the Fair Play Guidelines and these Terms and Conditions.

All players shall consent to their name, gender, nationality, title and rating being shown on the 4NCL website. Those wishing to withhold their consent shall not be permitted to play in the congress.

In all sections there is a pay to play fee of £5.00 for players who are not ECF members or supporters.

Players must have: (a) A FIDE rating; or (b) An ECF rating or other national rating; or (c) An ECF rapidplay rating or other national rapidplay rating. Players without a current FIDE or ECF rating must give details of estimated playing strength, including any previously held rating/rating, or current rating from another body.

If FIDE rated players have an ECF rating, both their FIDE rating and their ECF rating must be below 2000 in the Under 2000 section, below 1700 in the Under 1700 section and below 1400 in the Under 1400 section.

Players currently serving a sanction under the 4NCL online chess fair play guidelines may not play in the congress.

Players who receive a sanction during the congress may not receive a trophy.

4NCL Online reserves the right to refuse any entry without explanation.

No player may win more than one trophy.

In all sections the rating prize will be awarded to the player with the highest score beneath a certain rating limit as determined by the Chief Arbiter. Should this be a tie, the prize will be awarded to the lowest-rated player.

Unrated players may not win a rating trophy.

Pairings in all sections will be made using Swiss-Manager.

Results, pairings and players' real names and Lichess user names will be shown on www.chess-results.com.

Re-pairing will take place 15 minutes after the start of a round. Players will be defaulted 15 minutes after the scheduled start of a round.

If entrants withdraw before the congress, they will be entitled to a refund of their entry fee.

The number of trophies may be changed subject to numbers of entries.

All games will be published.

4NCL Online reserves the right to transfer players between sections at any time.