

CZECH OPEN 2025

16th Mancala & Abstract Games Festival

Part of 36th International Chess and Games Festival

Pardubice 19th July - 2nd August 2025

Organizer: AVE CHESS z.s.

Tournament director and main arbiter: David Kotin

Rules of individual games and other information: <http://www.mankala.cz/>,
<https://www.czechopen.net/>

Mancala and abstract games – play for fun

19th – 22nd July 2025, 2nd August, other days according to current possibilities

Learn mancala games, Octi, Othello, Abaku, and many other games, solve board game puzzles, solve some brainteasers, or even play in a multi-game event

Junior World TogyzQumalaQ Championship U21

Time shedule:

21 st July	All day	Arrivals, accommodation
22 nd July	10-13	Registration, play for fun
22 nd July	14-19	Mancala seminar, Bao tournament, excursion and play for fun
23 rd July	10-12	JWTC U21 - 1st round
23 rd July	14-16	JWTC U21 - 2nd round
23 rd July	16.30 – 19	International tournament in Bestemshe
24 th July	10-12	JWTC U21 - 3rd round
24 th July	14-16	JWTC U21 - 4th round
24 th July	16.30 – 19	International tournament in Mangala
25 th July	10-12	JWTC U21 - 5th round
25 th July	14-16	JWTC U21 - 6th round
25 th July	16.30 – 19	International tournament in Oware
26 th July	10-13	JWTC U21 – Blitz
26 th July	14-15	Prize giving ceremony
26 th – 28 th July		World Cup
29 th – 30 th July		Play for fun, excursions, departures

Tournaments details:

Mancala seminar and excursion

22nd July

During the afternoon, there will be lessons on the rules, tips covering more advanced strategies for playing many mancala games. If you wish, you can also visit the IQ Park Ideon.

Bao tournament

22nd July

Tournament system: depends on number of players

Starting fee: free of charge

A - Junior World TogyzQumalaQ Championship U21 - Classic

23rd – 25th July

Tournament system: 6 rounds Swiss, 60 min per player

Starting fee: 200 CZK

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

B - Junior World TogyzQumalaQ Championship U21 - Blitz

26th July

Tournament system: 5-7 rounds Swiss, 5 min per player + 2s per move

Starting fee: 150 CZK

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

C – Bestemshe international tournament

23rd July

Tournament system: 5-7 rounds Swiss, 7 min per player + 2s per move

Starting fee: 100 CZK

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

D – Mangala international tournament

24th July

Tournament system: 5-7 rounds Swiss, 7 min per player + 2s per move

Starting fee: 100 CZK

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

E – Oware international tournament

25th July

Tournament system: 5-7 rounds Swiss, 10 min per player + 5s per move

Starting fee: 100 CZK

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

TogyzQumalaQ World Cup

Time shedule:

25 th July	All day	Arrivals, accommodation, registration
26 th July	10-13	JWTC U21 - Blitz
26 th July	15-19	World Cup Rapid 1st – 4th round
27 th July	10-13	World Cup Rapid 5th – 7th round
27 th July	15-18	World Cup Blitz
28 th July	10-16	Mancala Medley
28 th July	17-18	Prize giving ceremony
29 th – 30 th July		Play for fun, excursions, departures

Tournaments details:

F – TogyzQumalaQ World Cup – Rapid

26th – 27th July

Tournament system: 7 rounds Swiss, 20 min per player + 2s per move

Starting fee: 200 CZK, discount 50% for juniors 18- and seniors 60+

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

G - TogyzQumalaQ World Cup – Blitz

27th July

Tournament system: 7 rounds swiss, 7 min per player + 2s per move

Starting fee: 150 CZK, discount 50% for juniors 18- and seniors 60+

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

H – Mancala Medley

28th July

Tournament system: 5-7 rounds swiss, 15 min per player + 2s/10s per move

You will play a different game each round from the following list: Bestemshe, Oware, Mangala, TogyzQumalaQ, Bao. Chief arbiter chooses which game is played each round. Players competing in this event must play all rounds.

Starting fee: 100 CZK

Players registered after 30th June 2025 pay extra fee of 50 CZK.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation facilities (everywhere Wi-Fi free of charge)	distance from the playing hall	shower + WC	Reception	price for 1 night
			Breakfast	
Dukla youth home ** (from 24 July) 1-bed rooms	2 km	on the floor	Nonstop no	27 EUR / room

2,3-bed rooms		on the floor		18 EUR / bed
University of Pardubice Dormitory **	2 km		till 22.00	
1-bed rooms classic * - block A, B		on the floor	no	31.5 EUR / room
2-bed rooms classic * - block A, B		on the floor	no	18 EUR / bed
1-bed rooms units ** - block A, B		for 2 rooms	no	39 EUR / room
1-bed apartments with a kitchenette ** - block C		yes	no	48 EUR / room
2-bed apartments with a kitchenette ** - block C		yes	no	56.5 EUR / room
Hurka hotel **	3 km		nonstop	
1-bed rooms with a kitchenette for 2 rooms		for 2 rooms	no	29 EUR / room
2,3-bed rooms with a kitchenette for 2 rooms		for 2 rooms	no	21 EUR / bed
Kristl hotel ** garni	500 m		till 20.00	
(from 18 July)				
1-bed rooms		for 2 rooms	no	33.5 EUR / room
2,3-bed rooms		for 2 rooms	no	25 EUR / bed
Trim hotel ***	4 km		nonstop	
1-bed rooms		yes	no	50 EUR / room
2-bed rooms		yes	no	83.5 EUR / room
1-bed rooms		for 2 rooms	no	41.5 EUR / room
2-bed rooms		for 2 rooms	no	54 EUR / room
3-bed rooms		for 2 rooms	no	71 EUR / room
Arnost hotel *** garni	600 m		nonstop	
1-bed rooms with a kitchenette		yes	no	54 EUR / room
2-bed rooms with a kitchenette or a balcony		yes	no	71 EUR / room
3-bed rooms with a kitchenette		yes	no	96 EUR / room
4-bed apartments with a kitchenette		yes	no	125 EUR / room
Zlata stika hotel ***	700 m		nonstop	
1-bed rooms		yes	yes	66.5 EUR / room
2-bed rooms		yes	yes	83.5 EUR / room
3-bed rooms		yes	yes	112.5 EUR / room
Labe hotel ***	1.5 km		nonstop	
1-bed rooms		yes	yes	56.5 EUR / room
2-bed rooms		yes	yes	64.5 EUR / room
3-bed rooms		yes	yes	81.5 EUR / room
1-bed rooms new ***+		yes	yes	64.5 EUR / room
2-bed rooms new ***+		yes	yes	73 EUR / room
Stare casy hotel ***+	1.2 km		till 22.00	
1-bed rooms		yes	yes	64.5 EUR / room
2-bed rooms		yes	yes	81.5 EUR / room
1-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	75 EUR / room
2-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	91.5 EUR / room
Austria guest house ***+	700 m		till 22.00	
1-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	75 EUR / room
2-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	91.5 EUR / room
3-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	112.5 EUR / room

2-bed apartments with air-conditioning		yes	yes	100 EUR / room
3-bed apartments with air-conditioning		yes	yes	125 EUR / room
4-bed apartments with air-conditioning		yes	yes	150 EUR / room
Euro hotel ****	300 m		nonstop	
1-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	104 EUR / room
2-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	116.5 EUR / room
3-bed rooms with air-conditioning		yes	yes	146 EUR / room

Accommodated persons over the age of 18 pay the municipal fee in the amount of 30 CZK / night (~ 1.25 EUR) upon arrival at the reception.

OTHER INFORMATION

Complete on-line your obligatory applications together with accommodation orders by 30th June 2025 on <https://www.czechopen.net/en/information/applications> or send them by e-mail to ave-kontakt@outlook.cz.

Starting fee and accommodation payments will be collected during the registration in cash in EUR (at the amount given in these regulations), **CZK** (in the rate 24:1 compared to prices given in these regulations) **or USD or by debit and credit cards:** Eurocard/Master Card, Maestro, VISA, VISA Electron, JCB or Diners Club. The organizer can ask for the advance payment with some kinds of accommodation.

Playing halls, place of registration, accommodation and secretariat: congress centre IDEON, Jiraskova 1963, 530 02, Pardubice

Transport: Karla IV. Bus stop - connection from the railway station by bus No. 6 or 8 (5th stop).

Refreshments: congress centre IDEON – bar and restaurant by the playing halls, festival party tent

Internet: during the whole festival wireless Internet access available free of charge at the congress centre IDEON

More detailed information at the internet festival web site www.czechopen.net/en

Interesting things: Facebook – [AVE CHESS](#), [Czech Open EN](#), Instagram – [AVE CHESS](#)

By participating in the tournament, the player gives the organizer the right to take photos and videos with his person and to use them.

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