THE CAISSA GUATEMALA CHESS CLUB ASSOCIATION, WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE ROTARY CLUB GUATEMALA "LAS AMERICAS" AND THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE NATIONAL CHESS FEDERATION OF GUATEMALA.

INVITES YOU TO

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT CLUB CAISSA GUATEMALA 2027

REGULATIONS

1. VENUE AND DATES
1.1 Venue: Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real, Ave. La Reforma and 14 Calle, Zone 10, Guatemala City.
1.2 Dates: January 6–10, 2027.

2. CATEGORY: Open - limited to 155 players (The organizing committee reserves the right of admission).

3. REGISTRATION
3.1 Special Conditions

3.1.1 Free registration for Grand Masters (GM y WGM) and International Masters (MI y WMI)

3.1.2 Accommodation will be provided to the first five Grandmasters (with a FIDE rating above 2450 at the time of registration) who confirm their registration and send proof of airline ticket reservation to torneointernacionalclubCaissa@gmail.com. Confirmation of this status will be sent via email. Grandmasters who receive this benefit are required to play all games

3.2. Payment. Payments in Quetzales should be made to the CAISSA Guatemala NGO account #018-0008584-5 at Banco G&T Continental. Payments from abroad will be made via PayPal (registration fee plus commission). Please send an email to torneointernacionalclubCaissa@gmail.com to receive a PayPal payment request.

3.3. Registration. All registrations – without exception – must be made by depositing the fee into the account indicated in section 3.2 and sending an email to torneointernacionalclubCaissa@gmail.com by January 3, 2027, attaching the following information: 1) a scanned copy of the deposit slip or transfer receipt, 2) full name, 3) passport-style photo, 4) place of origin, 5) FIDE identification number, 6) whether a bye is required and which round, and 7) age and a copy of birth certificate if the participant is a minor. It is important to receive your registration confirmation.

3.4. Payment receipts. To request your payment receipt, please send an email to the address indicated in section 3.3, attaching a copy of the deposit slip, specifying the name of the person to be issued the receipt, and indicating the chess player whose name is on the deposit. This must be done before January 5th so that the receipts can be distributed during the event.

3.5. Accreditation. All participants must wear their badge throughout the event. Badges will be provided on the first day of the tournament.

3.6 REGISTRATION FEE FOR PLAYERS WITH FIDE RATING: (local participants must deposit in quetzales)
USD $70 or Q535 until September 15, 2026
USD $80 or Q615 from September 16, 2026
USD $90 or Q690 from November 16, 2026

USD $100 o Q765 for players without FIDE rating (10 player limit – then they will go to a waiting list)

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CAISSA club members (active and up to date) receive a 25% discount if they have paid 6 consecutive dues in 2026.

4. COMPETITION SYSTEM.

4.1. Swiss system. 9 rounds.
4.2. 90 minutes plus 30 seconds of increment per move for each player.
4.3. Draw system; 1) Direct encounter 2) Bucholz cut 1 3) Bucholz total y 4) Rating performance 5) More victories
4.4. The official FIDE Swiss Manager pairing program will be used, and the results of each round will be published immediately after the official printing. Any discrepancies in the results must be reported to the chief arbiter before the start of the relevant round.Inasistencias: 30 min. de espera.
4.5. Absences: Only one absence is allowed and it must be justified. (First round pairings will only be made with players present in the room)
4.6. Up to two byes (BYE) may be requested exclusively for rounds 1 and 3, in which case half a point will be awarded per bye. Requests must be made at least 24 hours before the tournament begins.
4.7. During the game, any type of electronic device is prohibited; bringing it into the game room may result in a penalty of losing the game.
4.8. *It is forbidden to agree to a draw before 25 moves or during the first hour of play*
4.9. An appeals committee (3 people with knowledge of FIDE rules) will be formed at the start of the tournament.

5. ROUND SCHEDULE

EVENTO	FECHA	HORAS	LUGAR
Round 1	Wednesday 6	10:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Opening Ceremony	Wednesday 6	18:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 2	Wednesday 6	18:30	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 3	Thursday 7	10:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 4	Thursday 7	18:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 5	Friday 8	10:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 6	Friday 8	18:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 7	Saturday 9	10:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 8	Saturday 9	17:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Round 9	Sunday 10	09:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real
Awards Ceremony and Closing	Sunday 10	14:00	Salón Vienés, Hotel Camino Real

6. AWARDS (in US American Dollars)

Total amount: USD $11,000

PLACE	
1st	USD $2,500
2nd	USD $1,500
3rd	USD $1,200
4th	USD $900
5th	USD $700
6th	USD $600
7th	USD $500
8th	USD $450
9th	USD $350
Special Prizes	
Best Guatemalan	USD $450
Best Under 2300	USD $350
Best Under 2100	USD $300
Best Under 1900	USD $275
Best Under 1700	USD $250
Mejor sub 1500	USD $200
Best Club Members (6 dues paid in 2025)	**USD $225**** Q1,000, Q500 and Q300
Best Female Player	USD $250
Best U18, U16, U14, U12, U10, U8	To be determined

6.1 Prizes will not be divided. In case of draw, In case of draw of points, draw system will be implemented.
6.2 Players can only receive one prize (the highest one)
6.3 Special prizes are based on FIDE Elo ratings in blocks. For example, the sub-2300 prize will be for players with FIDE Elo ratings between 2299 and 2100, and so on.
6.4 Players without a FIDE rating, their local rating applies for prize purposes.

7. REGULATIONS

7.1. FIDE regulations will apply

8. TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS AND REFEREES.

8.1. Tournament director: Postal GM César Blanco
8.2. Tournament Technical Director: Postal GM César Blanco
8.3. Main Referee: A.I. Mario Garay
8.4. Logistics Director: Arq. Darío Díaz
8.5. Deputy Director: Humberto Castellanos

9. MISCELLANEOUS

9.1. Matters not covered by these regulations shall be resolved by the Organizing Committee.
9.2. The Organizing Committee reserves the right of admission.
9.3. Players who own a chess clock must bring and use it during the tournament. The Organizing Committee is not responsible for the lack of chess clocks.

Guatemala, August 2026