

TULSA CHESS Series RULES

Since the idea for this series is somewhat experimental, I reserve the right to “tweak” it as needed throughout the year. This mainly means experimenting with the time controls, or possibly changing the venue. Please check with www.okchess.org for the latest info. Here are the basic rules:

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

All of the Entry Fee money is used for expenses or prizes. For each \$20 Entry Fee:

- \$1 goes to expenses (mainly rating fees).
- \$13 goes to each event’s prize fund (see below)
- \$6 goes into the series prize fund awarded at the end of the series (see below).

EVENT PRIZE FUND

- In each event, 1st Place = \$100 (Guaranteed).
- The remainder is split for class prizes, announced at the tournament, which will vary depending on the turnout.

SERIES PRIZE FUND

- \$6 from each entry fee goes to the overall series prize fund, to be distributed in November.
- At the end of the 10th tournament in the 2009 series, each participant’s overall score will be counted as follows: the player’s total score is the sum of their best 7 tournament scores out of the 10. (i.e., the three lowest scores are dropped). This allows you to miss a few events or have a bad day and still compete for the overall prizes.
- You can follow your progress in the series scores online at www.okchess.org.
- The total money collected for the series prize fund will be awarded as follows:
 - 20% — Top Expert/Above*
 - 20% — Top Class A*
 - 20% — Top Class B*
 - 20% — Top Class C*
 - 20% — Top “Out of Town” Player **

* For these prizes, a player’s rating class is the one he/she started out in at the beginning of the year (in the January 1, 2009 USCF list). e.g. If you start out in Class B you will stay in that class for prize purposes no matter what happens to your rating during the year, up or down.

** An “out of town” player is one who lives outside of Tulsa County. If there is any question about this Tom Braunlich will adjudicate who is eligible for this category.