

QC Agenda Krakow, Poland 2011

1. Report since Khanty-Mansiysk

1.1 Titles awarded since Khanty-Mansiysk

To be sent later

1.2 Chess in School Ratings

Two meetings held in Athens. A separate rating system proposed for Chess in Schools Commission. Ratings are not (at least yet) connected to FIDE ratings, although they are suggested to be shown in queries from the data base, these ratings are specially marked.

1.3 Future FIDE Rating System

Contest (Kaggle) to find the best solutions
Rating Experts' meeting postponed

2. Titles

2.1 List of titles rejected (not approved) titles since Khanty-Mansiysk

To be sent later

2.2 1.42f Interpretation

Conditions for approving interim results to be decided:

RR tournaments where achieving of an interim result requires special order of games played.

DRR where the applicant meets the required titled opponents only once

Special cases

Czonka Attila HUN

Heydarli Kanan AZE

2.3 Swiss Pairing Systems allowed for Titles

Should the pairing in Swiss system tournaments be regulated, if title results are wanted.
Special case: Using 3-1-0 points for pairing is very different from 1-½-0 for title result purposes.

2.4 Title applications

The comments by the QC Chairman will be sent closer to the congress.

3. Matters concerning Title Regulations

3.1 Direct titles

3.1.1 Competitions giving titles

The list of competitions, especially regional competitions giving titles to be reviewed. FM titles awarded in youth competitions?

3.1.2 CM Titles

The CM titles awarded based on various competitions to be reviewed.

Special case: Anna Matlin (too few participants)

3.2 Tournament Composition for GM/IM Norms

There are proposals to change the regulations, also to change the floor where the lowest opponent can be raised, now depending on the title applied.

3.3 Old Regulations, Relevance to Current Applications (Nick, please explain!)

Some applications include norms from old competitions. The regulations at the time of the competitions are not found easily. So far, the QC Chairman has checked the old norms. The QC Chairman has tried to create a complete history of changes in regulations.

3.4 Rates of play

From the documents it is impossible to see which time controls were used. Some tournaments may have been reported as using approved time controls and played with the old controls used for that tournament through years.

In some federations (especially US) different times can be used in different round in a tournament, in some cases the branches played at different rates in the first rounds merge later in the tournament.

Special case; 40 moves in 2h, SD/1h in the US, is Bronstein system allowed?

3.4 Removal of Players from Rating List

For different reasons federations ask players to be removed from the rating list.

What should FIDE do, the players are still active, they have rating, but no federation pays for them?

Special case: India has another national association whose players have been asked to be removed.

Some players have wanted their ratings or personal data to be removed.

3.5 No service federations players in tournaments

The players invited may have "lost" the rating after the invitation. The ratings are available from the FIDE office, but cause extra work. FIDE should charge the organiser (or player) for this. The players are often ready to pay something, if their federation is in arrears.

3.6 No service federations title applications

Should no service federation application handled when they are in no service status?

3.7 Players registered to organizing federation

To enter the results to the FIDE rating server, the organizer has to register the new players, the organizer can only register players to the organizing federation. Thus the players get registered with wrong federation, to correct this is often very difficult. FIDE rating office might have a solution for this?

A problem is also that, as far as I know, there is only one ID per federation to the server, this causes some delay in some cases,

3.8 Players banned by their federations

What to do with players who have been banned by their federations, we do not have an international database of banned players (as in some other sports).

3.9 Titles (FM/WFM) not applied by the federations, other players harmed

This is related to the previous item. This is harming other players very often, as the rating 2300+ (2100+) is not any more worth FM (WFM) as it used to be. The requirement of having at least 50 percent of opponents to be title holders is often depending on this. Should it be possible to have the applicant (or the applicant's federation) pay for having the opponent considered as a titled player (not award the title).

3.10 Penalty fees for late applications should be same before PB and congress

For the moment, there is a 50/100 percent surcharge for late applications before congress, such rule is not for applications sent to the PB meetings.

There should be a penalty for late applications, two months before is a bit too long nowadays, the deadlines should be refined, and also the penalties.

Penalty fee should be waived, if the last norm is so late that dead lines cannot be met

3.11 Penalties for late reporting of tournaments

The late tournament reports cause a mess. The titles may be depending on ratings, the missed report may change the situation so that the title awarded should not have been awarded, or vice versa. There has to be a significant penalty for late reports to get rid of them.

3.12 Rating of Tournaments Registered Late

The regulations require tournaments to be registered at least 30 days before the start. A lot of tournaments are registered late, some even after the tournament.

Can the tournaments registered after the tournament be rated? Should there be a penalty fee?

4. Matters concerning Rating Regulations

4.1 K factor issues

K factor was changed for players havin fewer than 30 rated games was changed to 30 from 1.7.2011.

The other K values were kept as they were earlier. No change is planned before the next amendment cycle in 2012.

4.2 400 point rule

Maximum We should be mathematically 1.00, this means that a high rated player can only lose points in the game. Politically, the player should always be rewarded for a win. The effects need to be monitored. Postponed to the 2012 amendments if any.

4.3 Rating new players in Swiss and Round-Robin different

In round-robin tournaments a new player gets a rating even if he scores zero against rated players. In Swiss tournamens one point is needed

4.4 Rating of unplayed games (Proposal by Hungary)

The Hungarian federation suggests that games where one of the players does not come to play, could still be rated.

5. Developing regulations

5.1 Title regulations

The title regulations are not changed now (unless there is an urgent need), but the regulations can and must be discussed in Krakow.

5.12 New Title above GM (EGM?)

The idea of a higher title was not approved in Dresden, there is still interest to have it.

5.12 Muradian's proposal to lower rating requirement, if more norms

Sevan Muaradian has proposed that if the player has more norms than needed, then the rating requirement can be lowered.

5.2 Rating regulations

There is a plan to develop the rating system significantly in 2012 congress. The issues should be discussed in Krakow.

There are some proposals to change rating regulations, they should be handled at the next amendment cycle.

5.3 Presentation by Michalis Kaloumenos on Glicko system

QC member Michalis Kaloumenos has prepared an excellent document about the Glicko rating system. He will give a presentation on Glicko system.

6. Rapid and Blitz Ratings

The PB decided in Al Ain meeting that rapid and blitz ratings will be started from 1.1.2012.

The details have to be decided:

Starting rating (normal rating or normal rating only for a restricted period)

Rating calculation rules, Elo (K factor), Glicko or something else

List frequency

Fees

7. Other matters