

Proposals of Journalist Commission

1. FIDE Accredited Journalists

The Commission proposes introduction of FIDE accreditation for journalists who would hold the license card.

The Commission will provide benefits for the holders of the license card:

- FIDE Accredited Journalists are automatically accredited for free in all FIDE events. The organizers cannot reject accreditation of the holders of the license card of FIDE journalist.
- Access to the press center equipped with all necessary facilities for the work of journalists
- Official press releases from all FIDE events
- Discounts from the organizers of the FIDE events for accommodation
- We will try to provide through bidding procedure a minimum number of free days of full board accommodation (in at least 4 stars hotel) for journalists (proposed list is below)
- Free transfers during the tournament
- Assistance with visas (through coordination with organizers)
- Legal support (copyright and related issues)
- Awards for journalists, plaque + money award (recognition of the best articles/videos/photographs/tv shows promoting chess on a decent level. In 2014 the awards for journalists, who successfully created and made TV Chess programmes, came together with a prize of \$ 25,000 for each winner)

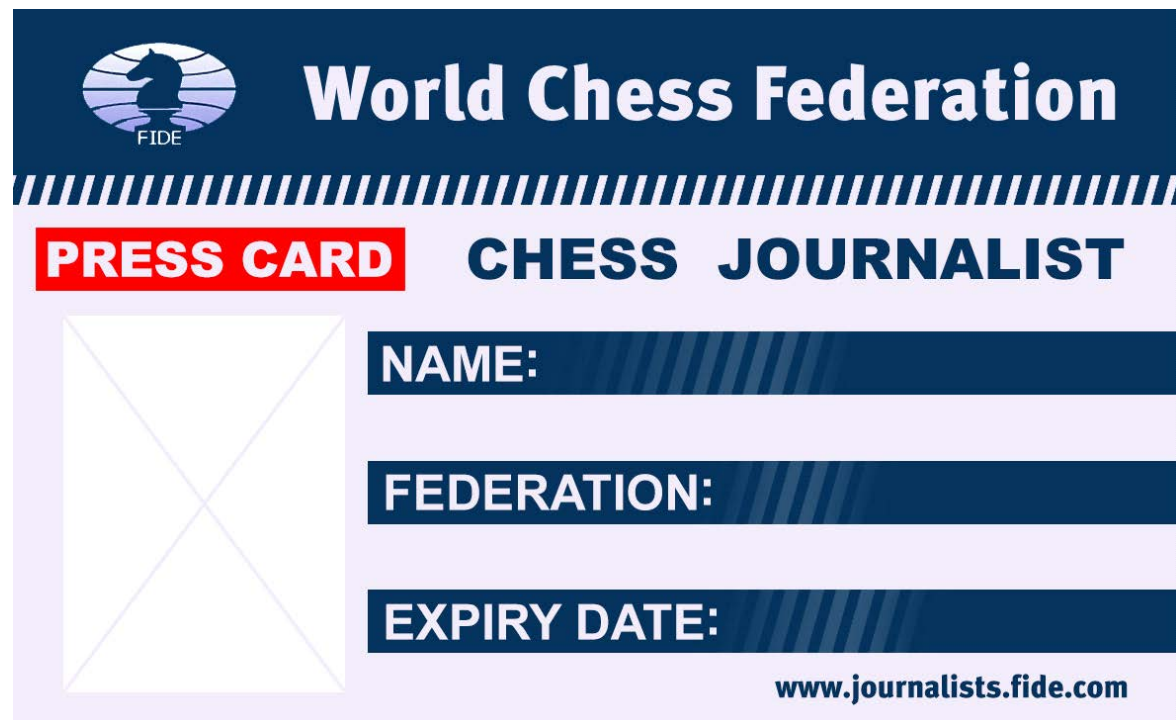
License cards can be issued to:

- Journalists, writers, editors, publishers or photographers with published articles or media materials in chess (in magazines, newspapers, internet)
- Journalists working with newspapers and/or chess websites, columnists, contributors and Photographers associated with media
- Holders of the members card of any other international journalistic organization
- On condition that applicant accepts and will adhere to the principles of chess journalism and pays the membership fee

Three things should be mandatory for the applicant: 1) availability of publications, 2) accepting the principles of chess journalism and 3) paying the membership fee

The membership fee is 40 euro for two years

Licence card:



The image shows a template for a 'World Chess Federation' press card. At the top left is the FIDE logo, which consists of a chess knight inside a circle with the word 'FIDE' below it. To the right of the logo, the text 'World Chess Federation' is written in a large, bold, white font on a dark blue background. Below this is a decorative horizontal line with a repeating diagonal pattern. Underneath the line, the words 'PRESS CARD' are in white text on a red rectangular background, followed by 'CHESS JOURNALIST' in a large, bold, dark blue font. On the left side of the card, there is a large white square with a thin grey border and a large 'X' drawn across it, indicating a placeholder for a photo. To the right of this square are three dark blue horizontal bars with white text labels: 'NAME:', 'FEDERATION:', and 'EXPIRY DATE:'. At the bottom right of the card, the website address 'www.journalists.fide.com' is written in a smaller dark blue font.

2. Web support for the organizers of FIDE events

In cooperation with the FIDE Events Commission, we will work together with the organizers of FIDE events to prepare proper internet presentation, in order to help the work of the journalists.

We will propose the obligatory inclusion of following sections/categories:

- Regulations (which are very often missing and nearly impossible to find)
- About the host city/country
- About the organizers and sponsors
- Results/Pairings/Standings

Live games

- Live results (updated instantly for journalists convenience)
- Live PGN (for download and engine checking)
- News
- Reports
- Photo gallery
- Video gallery (optional)

3. Proposals for inclusion in the bidding procedure:

Proposing to FIDE Presidential Board the following amendments in the regulations concerning the bidding procedure and regulations of each FIDE event listed below.

Each bid shall contain the following particulars as minimum.
Free accommodation and full board for accredited FIDE journalists during FIDE events as per:

FIDE Grand Prix - 9 days
FIDE Women Grand Prix - 6 days
Candidates Tournament - 20 days
FIDE World Cup - 15 days
Women World Championship - 15 days
Women World Championship Match - 15 days
World Championship Match - 30 days
World Team Championship - 9 days
Women World Team Championship - 9 days
World Youth Championships - 15 days
World Junior U20 Championships - 6 days
World Senior Championship, 6 days
World Youth U16 Chess Olympiad 6 days
World Amateur Championship 6 days
World Senior Team Championship 6 days

Continental Tournaments:

4 Individual Open Championships - 9 days each
4 Individual Women Championships - 9 days each
4 Team Championships - 9 days each
4 Individual Youth Championships - 6 days each

Total 305 days

4. Press Officer in FIDE events

FIDE Press Officer in coordination with the FIDE Journalists Commission is proposing to FIDE President the Press Officer for official FIDE events - World Events <https://www.fide.com/calendar/fide-calendar.html>

FIDE Press Officer is coordinating and instructing the event's Press Officer in preparing the website's content and press releases.

Explanation:

At the FIDE Congress in Tromso 2014 FIDE President appointed the FIDE Press Officer.

We believe it is necessary to have one FIDE Press Officer and distinguish the Press Officers of FIDE events in case if FIDE Press Officer cannot be present by himself/herself.

This distinction is necessary to avoid the confusion with the media and organizers.

According to all FIDE regulations - "All content has to be reviewed and approved by the FIDE Press Officer".