

Nairobi Chess League 2012 Rules

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- 1 The Nairobi Chess League will be a team event with **eight players** per team. Matches will be played on **four boards** only. Matches will take place between January and March on a Saturday afternoon at a venue as notified to team captains. There will be two divisions, restricted to 11 teams per division. The event is open to all clubs.
2. Once a player has competed for a team in the League, that player cannot compete for another team in the same Division in the same season.
3. Board prizes will be awarded for the top players for boards 1 to 6 only. The minimum games played must be over **65% to qualify for board prizes**. If 9 rounds are played then a minimum of 6 games must be played, if 10 rounds are played then 7 games
4. Prize for board 1 to 4 for ladies will be awarded based on the ratios mentioned in point 3 above. Prize for board 1 to 4 for junior player under the age of 18 will be awarded based on ratios mentioned in point 3 above.
5. The rate of play will be **45 minutes** for all moves.
6. Although the event is termed Nairobi Chess League 2012, Rapid play rules will apply. Except as modified by these rules, the normal FIDE Laws of chess will apply.
7. Scoring will be on match points and tie breaks decided by game points. A won match will score two points, a drawn match one point and a lost match zero points. A won game will be one game point, a drawn game half game point and a loss will be nil game point. Any team defaulting on two or more matches may be expelled from the league and all their results annulled if they have played less than 50% of the games.
8. Any disputes will be settled by the organizers (or their representatives) whose decision is final. Teams are expected to compete in a spirit of fair play and cooperation. It is also hoped that the event will provide a more social opportunity than normally available through the Nairobi Chess League and that all involved will participate in making it an enjoyable event.