Mississauga Chess Club

Rules, Regulations, By-Laws, and Code of Conduct

- 1. The rules, regulations and by-laws of Mississauga Chess Club comply with the guidelines of FIDE and our Club Committee.
- 2. As a member you must accept these conditions and respect MCC referees and club officials, who run the Club on a volunteer basis.
- 3. Respect all participants. Don't engage in psychological tricks such as staring at the opponent while he is thinking, coughing across the table at them, or intentionally failing to properly adjust your pieces.
- 4. You must abstain from verbal abuse or deliberately provoking an opponent or other player nearby.
- 5. Always introduce yourself to your opponents, shake hands before and after the game, and accept a loss gracefully.
- 6. Smoking or consumption of alcohol is strictly forbidden. It is prohibited to enter the Club while under the influence of alcohol.
- 7. Failure to respect the facilities, equipment and venues provided by MCC and other organizers will be considered a serious breach of the

code of conduct. This includes a responsibility to clean up after themselves in matters relating to house-keeping, hygiene and cleanliness.

- 8. Prior to play, everyone should please sign in at the reception area, pay any event fee, and proceed to the playing area.
- 9. At the end of play, please leave the playing area as you found it.
- 10. Chess pieces, boards and clocks furnished by the Club should be treated with care.
- 11. MCC members shall practice good sportsmanship and fair play and shall be courteous to other players. MCC will not tolerate any kind of bullying behavior.
- 12. Parents are responsible for their children.
- During tournaments and club activities, members and visitors are expected to adhere to all rules and regulations as stated in this document.
- Cell phones must be turned off when entering the playing areas.
 Electronic devices, including but not limited to, media players, handheld video game devices, etc., are strictly prohibited.
- 15. Violation of Club rules will result in a verbal warning. After two warnings, Subsequent violation of these rules may result in expulsion from the Club.

- 16. Parents with concerns regarding any Club activity, method of instruction, fairness of play, coaches, child conduct or behavior etc., should contact the Club officers directly for discussion before or after Chess club meetings.
- 17. Members must leave the chess room the way they found it.
- 18. MCC tournaments rules is governed by FIDE's Official Rules of Chess. Any disputes regarding match play must be brought to the attention of a Club arbiter or Club TD who will then make a ruling based on the official rules. The Club's ruling is final.
- 19. Rulebooks are available upon request.