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- BY **SEVAN MURADIAN** ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 12:31 AM #199928

Interim title results in single/double round robin tournaments not to be allowed if the result was not possible by playing the whole tournament.

Passed the QC commission 5-0.

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- BY **SEVAN MURADIAN** ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 4:34 AM #199931

Scheveningen tournaments now have to be approved by QC committee prior to being eligible for norms.

Any non-RR or non-Swiss event for norms must have the entire design of the tournament spelled out in writing and approved by QC prior to being eligible for norms.

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- BY **MICHAELATKINS** ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 8:41 AM #199946

Sevan,

Is the time control discussion only about norm events or does it pertain to all FIDE-rated events? In the FIDE Handbook, the rules for non-norm play are posted as:

1.0 Rate of Play

1.1 For a game to be rated each player must have the following minimum periods in which to complete all the moves, assuming the game lasts 60 moves.

Where at least one of the players in the tournament has a rating 2200 or higher, each player must have a minimum of 120 minutes.

Where at least one of the players in the tournament has a rating 1600 or higher, each player must have a minimum of 90 minutes.

Where all the players in the tournament are rated below 1600, each player must have a minimum of 60 minutes.

1.2 Games played with all the moves at a rate faster than the above are excluded from the list.

1.3 Where a certain number of moves is specified in the first time control, it shall be 40 moves. Players benefit from uniformity here.

Will this still be the case for non-norm FIDE-rated play?

USCF submitted request for norm tournaments, these controls:

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2) 40/115, SD/1 with 5 seconds delay or increment, with the idea of using this for digital clocks and 40/2, SD/1 for analog clocks.

Any word on this?

Thanks for what you are doing over there.

Mike

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BY MICHAELATKINS ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 8:52 AM #199947

*Sevan Muradian wrote:*Right now we have just finished the opening meeting where all commission heads are meeting and are getting ready for the Qualification Committee meeting.

The people from the US that are in here currently are: Ruth Haring, Walter Brown, and myself. We also do have Carol Jarecki who does look out for US interests though her FIDE country is a different one.

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Tony Rich is also there with plans to join one of the commissions.

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BY SEVAN MURADIAN ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 11:14 AM #199962

*MichaelAtkins wrote:*Sevan,

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Only time controls for norm bearing events are affected. Non-norm bearing events time controls aren't being touched.

As stated previously only those time controls listed as what came out of the Dresden Congress will be allowed. The QC chair began speaking about other time controls, such as those with delay, but tabled the discussion until Istanbul.

The only other place we can fight this is during the GA when these issues are brought up for final vote. However the GA generally will follow what the commission is recommending.

So if the GA approves what the QC has stated, then we have only two choices - request an exception every single time for each event that is norm bearing, or just comply.

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- BY **SEVAN MURADIAN** ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 11:15 AM #199963
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At the time of my writing he wasn't. He walked in later.

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- BY **SEVAN MURADIAN** ON FRI SEP 24, 2010 4:05 PM #199979
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It also appeared through the discussions that arbiters are favorable to increments of 30+sec per move and while delay obviously has sense to its purpose, arbiters favor the 30-sec increment for an obvious reason - they don't have to record moves for the players....

My personal opinion here is that title norm events should require increment for a variety of reasons, the recording

of moves being only one of them. But that's a different topic in itself.

I have a bigger concern here than the title norm time controls - the process in which the Dresden rules happened and the 'voice of the players'. But that is a different hornets nest and we have to deal with some of hornets nests at hand prior to poking at another one.

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