

## **ECU Online Arbiter (OA)**

1. The European Chess Union Online Arbiter (OA) is the arbiters' title confirming ability of an arbiter to work in online events and do their job in remotely, by the internet.
2. The OA title can be given to the arbiters, who fulfill the following criteria:
  - Valid arbiters license (FA or IA)
  - Sufficient knowledge of English (conversational level)
  - Sufficient skills to work on a personal computer (advanced user level)
  - Sufficient knowledge of at least one platform for online chess
  - Deep understanding of fair play principles for online chess
  - Attendance at OA workshop
  - Successful passing an exam set up by the ECU Arbiter's Council
3. The OA workshop will be organized by the ECU Arbiter's Council starting from January 2021 and will contain the following topics:
  - Online regulations for arbiters in ECU and fair play protection.
  - Managing the platform for online events.
  - Zoom call management (or other platform).
  - Principle of FIDE online chess regulations.
  - Swiss Manager for online chess events; how to make Pgn files with pairings; how to import TRF files
4. The OA exam will be organized by the ECU Arbiter's Council and will be divided into two parts: written, theoretical online test, 5 question from the above mentioned regulations and oral, practical, where the arbiter will receive practical tasks to do, connected with concrete platform/tool.
5. Only arbiters with OA certification will be proposed by ECU AC to fulfill arbiters tasks during the ECU online and hybrid events.