

# Stay at Marriott MetroCentre

Relax at our superb Covid-secure venue, **Marriott Metrocentre**, near the Metrocentre shopping & leisure complex  
To take advantage of our special group rate, book your room here by July 29:  
[Book for Northumbria Chess Masters](#)



150 spacious rooms (with free Wi-Fi)  
Ample free car parking for participants  
Gym, swimming pool & spa  
Breakfast, lunch & dinner service  
5 miles from Newcastle City Centre  
0.3 miles from A1(M) MetroCentre exit

Special rates [available only from Marriott MetroCentre](#):

B&B (Single occupancy) £60

B&B (Double occupancy) £70

## Over £5,500 in prizes

### Northumbria Masters

(Open to all players, FIDE-rated, eligible for title norms, £3,000 in prizes)

**1st £1,000, 2nd £600, 3rd £400,  
4th £300, 5th 200, 6th 100**

Top female player £100, Top U-18 £100,  
Top Veteran (60+) £100, Top <2200 £100  
Entry fee: 2000+ £80, <2000 £100  
GMs/IMs/WGMs/WIMs: Free

### Challengers <2000 FIDE & ECF

(FIDE- & ECF-rated, £900 in prizes)

**1st £400, 2nd £200, 3rd £100**

Top female player £50, Top U-18 £50,  
Top Veteran (60+) £50, Top <1750 £50  
Entry fee: £50

### Major <1750 FIDE & ECF

(ECF-rated, £900 in prizes)

**1st £400, 2nd £200, 3rd £100**

Top female player £50, Top U-18 £50,  
Top Veteran (60+) £50, Top <1500 £50  
Entry fee: £50

**Minor <1500 FIDE & ECF** (recommended for newcomers to competitive chess)  
(ECF-rated, £750 in prizes)

**1st £300, 2nd £150, 3rd £75**

Top female player £50, Top U-18 £50,  
Top Veteran (60+) £50, Top <1250 £50  
Entry fee: £40

**Junior (Under 18) players may deduct £5 from their entry fee if entering by July 22**

# Northumbria Chess Masters

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**Chess in Schools and Communities**

## August 26-30, 2021

**GM norm & IM norm All-Play-Alls**

(All-Play-All entries by invitation only)

9-round Swiss tournaments:

**Northumbria Masters** (Open to All, eligible for title norms, FIDE- & ECF-rated)

**Challengers** (U-2000, FIDE- & ECF-rated)

**Major** (U-1750, ECF-rated)

**Minor** (U-1500, ECF-rated)

**Marriott MetroCentre,**

**Marconi Way, Gateshead NE11 9XF**



## Ways to enter:

- 1) Online at: <https://northumbriamasters.com>;
- 2) By email to [timpeterwall@gmail.com](mailto:timpeterwall@gmail.com) with a copy of the entry form. You will be sent details of how to pay by bank transfer; or
- 3) By post with an entry form and cheque payable to 'UK Chess Events Ltd' to: Tim Wall, 8 Whitfield Rd, Newcastle upon Tyne NE12 7LJ, UK.  
For more information, including for players wishing to play in the **All-Play-All GM norm & IM norm tournaments**, Tel./WhatsApp: +44 (0) 750 372 2366 or e-mail: [timpeterwall@gmail.com](mailto:timpeterwall@gmail.com)

### ENTRY FORM

Name & Surname: .....

E-mail (required): .....

Date of birth (required): ...../...../.....

Tournament: Masters / Challengers / Major / Minor

FIDE standard rating: ..... FIDE Title (if any): .....

FIDE ID (Masters & Challengers) (required): .....

ECF/ Other National Standard Play Rating: .....

ECF Category: Plat./Gold/Silver/Pay-to-Play/Other Fed.

ECF Membership No: .....

Other National Federation (if not the ECF) .....

Half-point bye(s)? Please specify: Rounds 1/2/3/4/5/6

Entry Fee: .....

Minus £5 Under 18 discount (by July 22) .....

£11 Pay-to-Play fee (if not Gold ECF for Masters or Challengers, or Silver ECF for Major or Minor): .....

+£10 Late fee (after Aug. 16) ..... Donation: .....

Total enclosed .....

**I agree to play at my own risk. In the event of testing positive for Covid-19 or displaying symptoms in the 14 days before the event, I agree to notify the organisers.**

Signed ..... Date .....

## Playing schedule for all tournaments

Register by: .....	16:30, Thursday 26 August
Round 1	18:30, Thursday 26 August
Round 2	10:00, Friday 27 August
Round 3	15:00, Friday 27 August
Round 4	10:00, Saturday 28 August
Round 5	15:00, Saturday 28 August
Round 6	10:00, Sunday 29 August
Round 7	15:00, Sunday 29 August
Round 8	10:00, Monday 30 August
Round 9	15:00, Monday 30 August
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## Getting to Marriott MetroCentre

**By Car:** The hotel is 0.3 miles from the Gateshead MetroCentre exit on the A1(M), and 5 miles from Newcastle upon Tyne city centre

**By Public Transport:** Frequent rail and bus services go to MetroCentre Interchange from Newcastle upon Tyne. Newcastle is 3 hours by train from London & 90 minutes from Edinburgh

**Walking from Metrocentre:** The Marriott is half a mile from the MetroCentre & Interchange.

## Covid-secure venue

All players and visitors to the Northumbria Masters must follow UK law and government guidance on Covid-19, as well as Marriott MetroCentre's policy. Anyone testing positive for Covid-19 or displaying symptoms in the 14 days before the event should inform the organisers. Their entry fees will be refunded. The Northumbria Masters accepts no liability for players' travel or accommodation costs.

## Time Control (for all events)

All moves in 90 minutes, plus an increment of 30 seconds per move from move 1. Players must record all the moves throughout the game

## Tournament regulations

1. FIDE-rated events require a) Gold/Platinum ECF membership b) membership of another national federation or c) a £11 Pay-to-Play fee
2. ECF-only rated events require a) ECF Silver membership or above; or b) a £11 Pay-to-Play fee
3. Standard play over-the-board FIDE and ECF ratings will be used
4. July FIDE & ECF ratings will determine sections and rating prizes. (August 2021 FIDE and ECF ratings will be used for pairing only.) Players with no FIDE or ECF rating may be moved to a different section at the organiser's discretion
5. Players in Challengers & Major must be under both FIDE & ECF rating limits
6. Entrants after August 16 will be charged a £10 late fee
7. Players normally win only one prize. Prizes may be adjusted based on entries
8. Ages are as of January 1, 2021
9. Players may take up to 3 half-point byes for Rounds 1-6 if requested before Rd. 1
10. Default time is 30 mins after round starts
11. Players must register their attendance by emailing [timpeterwall@gmail.com](mailto:timpeterwall@gmail.com) between 9:00am & 4:30pm on August 26

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