

Enhanced Fair Play for Finals Night

Fair Play Regulations

Please read sections 5 and 6 now of the Fair Play Regulations

[Counties-Online-Fair-Play-Regulations.pdf \(englishchess.org.uk\)](https://www.englishchess.org.uk/Counties-Online-Fair-Play-Regulations.pdf)

Special requirements

If you are in need of adjustments for medical or other reasons to facilitate accessibility make sure that these are raised with the Controller well in advance of Finals night.

Equipment

- A Laptop or Desktop to host chess.com/live **AND join the ZOOM call from (i.e. same device)**
- Mouse or Touchpad
- Webcam (positioned facing you so the arbiter can see you looking at your screen)
- Microphone (so the arbiter can hear what is going on in your playing area)

PC set up

- Discover now how to display your task manager (or equivalent app on screen), which can be done by Ctrl + Shift-Delete on Windows PCs.
- Only Task Manager, Zoom, ECF LMS, Chess.com/live and anti-virus software should be running on your PC
- Work out how to turn the speaker volume down (but remember you will need to be able to hear arbiter instructions)

Familiarise yourself with Zoom

- How to share screen (so the arbiter can see the screen you are viewing, task bar and task manager) - look for the **large green screen share button** in the middle of the zoom menu bar
- How to open Chat, view messages and send a message in chat. Chat messages will be visible to all, so beware. **Chat button** is to the right of the screen share button.
- The displays. There is a separate VIEW button usually in the top right of the screen.
- How to change your display name to show your real name. Click on **Participants** in the menu bar (to the left of the screen share button) and in the **Participants Window** click on **MORE** against your name and then **select the RENAME** option.

Chess.com

- Change your profile to display your real name for the match
Select **Home** from the left hand side panel menu and then **Settings**. Enter your name in the boxes below username. Press the **green SAVE** button.
- Disable Game Chat
Select **Home** from the left hand side panel menu and then **Settings**, scroll down to and press Live Chess. Scroll down to Game Chat and select Nobody. Press the **green SAVE** button.
- Make sure **challenges** are set to **EVERYONE** (from the same live chess settings screen) and **incoming and outgoing** are set to **ANY**. Press the **green SAVE** button.

Pre-match

- Ensure you have a sustainable internet connection – to cope with both chess.com and Zoom (discourage others on your home network from streaming whilst you are in play)
- Prepare your playing area – no mobile phones or electronic devices other than the device on which you intend to play
- Log into the Zoom call (the link will be provided nearer the time) as early as you can so pre-checks can be done (you can go off camera until later). The call will open at 5:30pm. . Parents of juniors should be on hand to make sure their child has successfully joined the call and facilitate the pre-play checks. Players should join the Zoom call with video and audio enabled and webcams and microphones must be on during games.
- **YOU MUST JOIN THE ZOOM CALL FROM THE SAME DEVICE YOU INTEND TO PLAY ON**
- Make yourself comfortable. Permission will be needed from the arbiter to leave the playing area, which you can seek in the chat.
- Be ready to play no later than 5 minutes before the match start time of 6:30pm. You must be in chess.com/live. Select PLAY from the left hand menu and then LiveChess (ignore the Switch message). <https://www.chess.com/live>
- If both players are checked in, in live and ready to play the arbiters will start your game for you. Late arrivals will forfeit time.
- In the event that it is necessary to resort to Challenges through the ECF LMS matchcard, players will be notified. Remind yourself how to do this and ensure your settings are correct.

NB: Please bear in mind that pairing all of the games may take some minutes after the appointed start time, and you must stay in the chess.com live window (as well as the Zoom call) and avoid switching to another window while you are waiting to be paired.

If there is a delay in your pairing – eg because your opponent is not present – you may see a popup message from chess.com saying 'Are you still there'. If you see this message please click 'Yes I am here' to confirm you are still in live and to avoid being logged out. This will allow you to be paired successfully when the arbiters get to your game.

In Play

- No other persons will be allowed in the physical playing room once games start and for the duration of play although parents of juniors should be 'on hand' to assist if there are any issues.
- Maintain silence as with a normal over the board competition with their microphones on.
- If you lose your zoom connection YOU MUST NOT move until in camera and shared screen are restored
- Camera must be on
- Microphone must be on
- No headphones or ear sets to be used

After Play

- Each player must record their result in the Zoom Chat - in format board number, result, real name e.g. "12 WIN MURRELL" "12 LOSS ELWIN". You should then leave the call.
- Check your result is correct in the ECF LMS. If in error notify the Controller in chess.com.
- Follow your teammates using the TV link in the ECF LMS matchcard

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