

28th Vasja Pirc Memorial

Date of competition: Saturday, May 10th 2025

Organizer: Železničarski šahovski klub Maribor Poligram

Venue: Europark Shopping Center, Pobreška 18, 2000 Maribor

Participation Requirements: All players with a FIDE ID who register on time.

Tournament schedule – May 10th 2025

- **Confirmation of registration:** 13:00 - 13:40
 - **Opening and first round:** 13:50
 - **Subsequent rounds:** Start immediately after results processing.
 - **Award ceremony:** 10 minutes after the conclusion of the 11th round.
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Equipment

Chess sets and clocks will be provided by the organizer.

Tournament System and Time Control

- **11 rounds**, Swiss system.
- **Time control:** 5 minutes + 3 seconds per move

Tie-break criteria

- Higher total score (chess points).
- Direct encounter(s) (if all players in the same score group played against each other).
- Buchholz-1.
- Buchholz coefficient.
- Higher number of games played with Black.
- Higher number of wins (excluding games won by default or when an opponent was absent).

Registration and registration fee

- **Deadline for registration:** May 5th 2025.
 - **Contact person:** Chief arbiter, Tadej Sakelšek (Email: tadejsakelsek@gmail.com, Phone: +386 40 748 916).
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Entry Fee and Registration

- €10 for juniors (born 2005 and later).
- €13 for adults.
- Payment is made on-site during registration confirmation.

Prizes

All prize winners will receive a **DESETAK gift voucher**.

A total of **35 main and category prizes** will be awarded, amounting to **€3,000**.

Each player will receive a **gift bag from Europark Shopping Center**.

Each participant can receive only **one prize**.

DESETAK vouchers can be redeemed at the following shopping centers:

Europark Maribor, Aleja Ljubljana, Center Vič Interspar Ljubljana, CityPark Ljubljana, CityCenter Celje

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Overall standings	Prize
1 st place	500 + trophy
2 nd place	300
3 rd place	200
4 th place	150
5 th place	100
6 th place	100
7 th place	100
8 th place	100

Category prizes	1 st place	2 nd place	3 rd place
Best members of ŽŠK Maribor Poligram	110	50	30
Best female players	100	50	30
Best seniors	70	50	30
Rating up to 1800	70	50	30
Rating 1801 - 2000	70	50	30
Rating 2001 - 2200	70	50	30
Best under 20 years	70	50	30
Best under 15 years	70	50	30
Best under 10 years	70	50	30

Additional information:

The tournament will be rated for the FIDE blitz chess rating. All matters not defined in this announcement will be addressed in the tournament rules. The regulations of the Slovenian Chess Federation (ŠZS) and FIDE apply to this competition

