

THE BRITISH LAND CHESS CHALLENGE

GIGAFINAL QUALIFICATION

Qualification for the 3rd stage of the Chess Challenge, the Northern or Southern Gigafinal is as follows:-

- (a) winning the title of Supremo or Suprema in any of the 24 sections from U7 to U18.
- (b) scoring 4 points out of 6 in your section of the Megafinal (Please note that players scoring the same points as a Supremo or Suprema but failing to win the title on tie break, only qualify if they have scored at least 4 points out of 6.)

SUPREMO/SUPREMA TITLES

There can only be **one Supremo or Suprema** for each section. Therefore, in the case of a tie, this will be broken by calculating the **SUM OF PROGRESSIVE SCORES**.

Please note that Sum of Opponents' scores are **NOT** used in this tournament. If there is still a tie after calculating Sum of Progressive Scores, then the tie will be broken by a game with 10 minutes each on the clock for both players. If this game is drawn, there will be a game with 5 minutes each on the clock. If this is drawn, the matter will be decided by lot.

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Some FAQs (Frequently asked questions)

Q. If the Supremo or the Suprema is the only entrant for their section, or scores very few points, for example 0, does he or she still get the title?

A. If such a player is competing in the tournament and is, perhaps, the only entrant, then they are undoubtedly a pioneer and should be rewarded even if they lose all their games. Furthermore, by playing in the tournament, they will also have learned a great deal from their losses and will have shown fighting spirit by not withdrawing after a series of unfavourable results. So the answer is **YES!**

Q HOW DO I GET MY ENTRY FORM FOR THE GIGAFINAL?

A. If you qualify for a place in the Southern or Northern Gigafinal, **you will receive your Gigafinal entry form in the post during late May or early June**. There will be an entry fee of £9.

It is important that you have filled in your address on the Megafinal entry form correctly to ensure that your Gigafinal entry form will reach you safely (if you qualify). **We need name, address, school/club, telephone number, date of birth, sex on the Megafinal entry form. If your entry form hasn't arrived by mid June, email ukchesschallenge@aol.com (or telephone 07715 041320) and we will send you a replacement.**

Southern Gigafinal is to be held at Wellington College, Crowthorne, Berks on Saturday, 3rd July (Under 7-U10 boys) and Sunday, 4th July (U11-U18 boys and ALL girls)

Northern Gigafinal is to be held at Duckinfield Town Hall, King Street, Duckinfield, SK16 4LA (in the borough of Tameside) on Saturday 10th July (U7-U10s) and Sunday 11th July (U11-U18s) (venue to be confirmed).

Qualifying for the Gigafinal doesn't mean that you are entered for it – you will still have to fill in the entry form and pay the £9 entry fee!