



WCA VETERANS TOURNAMENT

November 9-10, 2024

2025 US Open Senior Invitational Tournament Qualifier (in Madison, WI!!)

SPECIAL NOTES

The WCA Veterans is held in conjunction with the Wisconsin Junior Open, but played in a separate room. For more information, contact Steve Erbach. The Wisconsin Senior Champion will be eligible to participate in the **2025 John T. Irwin National Tournament of Senior State Champions** at the US Open in Madison, WI, July 2025. If a tie exists among those desiring to participate in the event, a series of playoff matches will be held on Sunday night beginning 30 minutes after the last game among the qualifiers is concluded. Format is two G/30, if still tied two G/15, then G/10, then G/5.

ELIGIBILITY

The WCA Veterans Tournament is open to **all** players age 18 and over. The highest-finishing Wisconsin entrant age 50 and over will receive a trophy and the title of 2024 Wisconsin Senior Champion. Players must be members of the US Chess Federation. US Chess membership may be purchased at site. Wisconsin Chess Association (WCA) membership is included in your entry. Our website address is www.wisChess.org.

PLAYING SITE

The Manitowoc Holiday Inn, 4601 Calumet Ave., Manitowoc, WI, at the intersection of I-43 and US-151. Guest rooms are \$99 for a single night, or \$139 for two nights. (The usual hotel tax is extra.) These room rates include a **full breakfast buffet**. Reservations: (920) 682-6000. You must mention CHESS.

REGISTRATION

Players may register in advance by mail using the form below or online at kingregistration.com. Late registration will be accepted at the site from 8:45-9:30 AM on Saturday, November 9th. **Please bring your chess clock. Chess sets and boards are provided in playing room only!** Make phone inquiries to Steve Erbach (event organizer) at (920) 269-5688 before Friday, November 8th. Or e-mail to: [Steve Erbach \(serbach@gmail.com\)](mailto:SteveErbach@gmail.com).

SCHEDULE

The Veterans is a **five-round** Swiss-System event. Rounds are at 10:15 AM, 2:30 PM and 7:15 PM on Saturday. Sunday's rounds are at 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM. The time control is Game/90 with a 30-second increment. One half-point bye is available for round 1, 2, 3 or 4 if requested in advance.

ENTRY FEES

If received by Tuesday, November 5th, the early entry fee is \$40. After November 5th, entries are \$10 more. If you enter on KingRegistration.com, the entry fee is \$2.75 more to cover processing costs.

If you pre-register but then cannot play, your entry will be refunded to you only if you notify the tournament director by 9:30 AM on November 9th. Please make checks payable to the **Wisconsin Chess Association**. No credit cards please.

PRIZES

The **\$1,350** prize fund for the Veterans Tournament is **guaranteed**:

1st Place \$400, 2nd \$275, 3rd \$150, 1st A \$125, 1st B \$115, 1st C \$105, 1st D \$95, 1st E/Unr \$85

Trophy to the top Wisconsin Senior (50+)

Prizes will be awarded at the site after the final round. In case of ties, the trophy will be awarded based on Solkoff, Cumulative, Sum of Opponent's Cumulative and Sonneborn-Berger tie-break systems.

Please mail advance registrations to:

2024 WCA Veterans Tournament
c/o Steve Erbach, Tournament Organizer
939 Lincoln Blvd.
Manitowoc, WI 54220

Name: _____ US Chess ID: _____ EF: \$ _____

Address: _____ US Chess Expir. Date: _____ US Chess Dues: \$ _____

City, State, ZIP: _____ US Chess Rating: _____ Total: \$ _____

E-Mail Address: _____ I request a bye in round: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 (Circle one only if desired.)

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