

On September 24, 2025, Turkmenistan Chess Federation officially approved the “Mary” stage of the Grand Prix, to be held from October 7 to 12 at the multi-purpose sports complex in Mary.

Objectives

- Implement the President’s policy to boost sports and patriotic education
- Promote physical culture and youth initiatives in the “Bagtyýarlyk” era
- Prepare athletes for world and Asian championships and secure strong international results
- Select top players for the Turkmenistan Championship (Super League)

Venue and Registration

- Dates: October 7-12, 2025
- Location: “Köpugurly” Sports Complex, Mary
- Online registration deadline: October 5, 18:00 via <https://bit.ly/granprimary>

Tournament Format

- FIDE rules, Swiss system, 9 rounds
- Time control: 90 minutes per game plus 30 seconds increment
- Ranking by points; tie-breaks: Buchholz, head-to-head, most wins, wins with black, rapid play-offs
- All participants and arbiters must comply with international dress code
- Passport or birth certificate required for check-in

Schedule

Event	Time	Date
Arrival of participants	—	07.10.2025
Opening ceremony	09:00	08.10.2025
Round I	10:00	08.10.2025
Round II	15:30	08.10.2025
Round III	10:00	09.10.2025
Round IV	15:30	09.10.2025

Event	Time	Date
Round V	10:00	10.10.2025
Round VI	15:30	10.10.2025
Round VII	10:00	11.10.2025
Round VIII	15:30	11.10.2025
Round IX	10:00	12.10.2025
Closing ceremony	15:00	12.10.2025
Departure of participants	—	12.10.2025

Funding and Prizes

- All organizational costs covered by the Turkmenistan Chess Federation
- Winners receive certificates of honor, medals, and special gifts

