

Colour Key:

Green – Holidays

Orange – Ceremonies

Blue – Supported Regional International Tournaments

Pink – Free Days

Purple – Affiliate Events

JAMAICA CHESS FEDERATION CHESS CALENDAR			
DATE	RND	2017	VENUE
01-Jan (Sun)		New Year's Day	
07-Jan	1	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	Medallion Hall
08-Jan	2	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	JOA
13-Jan (Fri)		RJR Sportsman/Woman National Annual Awards	Jamaica Pegasus
14-Jan	3	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	Shirley Retreat Hotel
15-Jan	4	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	JOA
18-Jan (Wed)	5	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	Christar Villas
20-Jan (Fri)	6	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	Christar Villas

21-Jan	7	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	JOA
22-Jan	8	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	JOA
25-Jan (Wed)	9	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	Christar Villas
25-Jan (Wed)	1-2	Playoffs - 2016/2017 PCJ/Petrojam National Schools Chess Champs	St. Catherine High School
26-Jan (Thurs)	3-4	Playoffs - 2016/2017 PCJ/Petrojam National Schools Chess Champs	St. Catherine High School
27-Jan (Fri)	10	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates	Christar Villas
28-Jan		JCF Monthly Meeting	SDF
29-Jan	11	Absolute and Women's Jamaica Chess Championships AND The Council Candidates (FINAL ROUNDS)	JOA
04-Feb	1-3	National Age-Group Chess Championships - (U8, U12, U16)	St Georges College
05-Feb	4-6	National Age-Group Chess Championships - (U8, U12, U16)	St Georges College
07-Feb (Tue)	RURAL 1-3	PCJ/Petrojam - The Dr. Hope Anderson National High School Girls Chess Championship - Prelims	TBA
10 Feb (Fri)	URBAN 1-3	PCJ /Petrojam - The Dr. Hope Anderson National High School Girls Chess Championship - Prelims	PCJ Auditorium
11-Feb	1-3	National Age-Group Chess Championships -(U10, U14, U18)	St Georges College
12-Feb	4-6	National Age-Group Chess Championships -(U10, U14, U18)	St Georges College

16-Feb (Thur)	1	10th IA FM John Powell Memorial Open (1 ST GRAND PRIX NATIONAL QUALIFIER for 2018 National Championships)	Liberty
17-Feb (Fri)	2	IA FM John Powell Memorial Open	Liberty
18-Feb	3-4	IA FM John Powell Memorial Open	Liberty
19-Feb	5-6	IA FM John Powell Memorial Open	Liberty
20-Feb (Mon)	1-2	PCJ/Petrojam - The Dr. Hope Anderson National High School Girls Chess Championship FINALS	PCJ Auditorium
25-Feb		JCF Monthly Meeting	SDF
26 Feb	4-6	Free Day	Medallion Hall
28-Feb (Tue)	3-4	PCJ/Petrojam - The Dr. Hope Anderson National High School Girls Chess Championship FINALS	PCJ
01-Mar (Wed)		Ash Wednesday	
02-Mar (Thu)	1-3	National Finals - 2016/2017 PCJ/Petrojam National Schools Chess Champs	PCJ Aud.
03-Mar (Fri)	4-6	National Finals - 2016/2017 PCJ/Petrojam National Schools Chess Champs	PCJ Aud.
04-Mar		Free Day	
05-Mar		Free Day	
11-Mar		Free Day	
12-Mar		Free Day	
18-Mar	1-2	National Absolute Junior Championships / National Female U-20	Liberty Academy

19-Mar	3-4	National Absolute Junior Championships / National Female U-20	Liberty Academy
22-Mar (Wed)	1	President's Invitational	Christar Villas
24-Mar (Fri)	2	President's Invitational	
25-Mar	5-6	President's Invitational (3-4) National Absolute Junior Championships / National Female U-20 JCF Monthly Meeting	Liberty Academy /SDF
26-Mar	7	National Absolute Junior Championships / National Female U-20 JCF 2016 Awards Ceremony	Liberty Academy /Spanish Court Hotel
			Christar Villas
01- 09 Apr		World Amateur Chess Championships 2017	Spoletto, Italy
01-Apr	1-3	National Inter-school Grade Chess Championships	G.C. Foster
01-Apr	3-4	President's Invitational	JOA
02-Apr	4-6	National Inter-school Grade Chess Championships	G.C. Foster
02-Apr	5-6	President's Invitational	JOA
05-Apr	7	President's Invitational	Christar Villas
08-Apr	8-9	President's Invitational	JOA
09-Apr	10-11	President's Invitational (FINAL ROUNDS)	JOA
13-Apr (Thu)		CARIFTA - Arrival of Delegations, Processing of registered players & Technical Meeting and Opening Ceremony	Jamaica
14-Apr (Fri)	1-2	CARIFTA Good Friday	Jamaica
15-Apr	3	CARIFTA	Jamaica

16-Apr	4-5	CARIFTA Easter Sunday	Jamaica
17-Apr	6-7	CARIFTA - Round 7 and Closing Ceremony Easter Monday	Jamaica
18-Apr		CARIFTA - Departure of Delegations	Jamaica
21 Apr-01 May		FIDE WORLD SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2017	Iasi, Romania
22-Apr		Free Day	
23-Apr -3 May		World Team Chess Championship 50+ , 65+ 2017 Free Day	Crete, Greece
29-Apr	1-6	K.I.D.S. Chess Club (Knight in Day)- (Rapid Tournament) JCF Monthly Meeting	St Georges College TBC SDF
30-Apr		Free Day	
06-May		Free Day	
07-May		Free Day	
13-May		Free Day	
14-May		Free Day	
18-May (Thu)	1	10 th IA CM Robert Wheeler Open (2 nd GRAND PRIX NATIONAL QUALIFIER for 2018 National Championships)	Liberty
19-May (Fri)	2	IA CM Robert Wheeler Open	Liberty

20-May	3-4	IA CM Robert Wheeler Open	Liberty
21-May	5-6	IA CM Robert Wheeler Open	Liberty
23-May (Tue)		Labour Day	
27-May	9-10	JCF Monthly Meeting	SDF
28-May	11-12	Free Day	
03-Jun	1-3	18 th Annual Scholastic Team Chess Championship	TBA
04-Jun	4-6	18 th Annual Scholastic Team Chess Championship	TBA
10-Jun	1-6	2nd "St. Catherine Rapids" (Rapid Tournament)	St. Catherine High School
11-Jun		Free Day	
17-Jun		49th JCF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (4:00 PM)	Liberty
17-Jun	1-9	3rd IA Enos Grant Memorial Open Blitz Tournament	Liberty
18-Jun		Free Day	
24-Jun	1-6	R & D Academy Chess Showdown (Rapid Tournament)	Immaculate High TBC
25-Jun		Free Day	
28-Jun – 5-Jul		Central American & Caribbean Junior U20 Chess Championships 2017	Barbados

01-Jul		Free Day	
02-Jul		Free Day	
08-Jul	1-2	3rd William Roper Memorial Trophy Jamaica Seniors Championship for: MAJORS (40-49 yo); VETERANS (50-64 yo) and SENIORS (65+)/PARENTS' CHALLENGE	JOA
09-Jul	3-4	Jamaica Seniors Championship:MAJORS (40-49 yo); VETERANS (50-64 yo) and SENIORS (65+)/PARENTS' CHALLENGE	JOA
15-Jul	5-6	Jamaica Seniors Championship: MAJORS (40-49 yo); VETERANS (50-64 yo) and SENIORS (65+)/PARENTS' CHALLENGE	JOA
16-Jul	7-8	Jamaica Seniors Championship: MAJORS (40-49 yo); VETERANS (50-64 yo) and SENIORS (65+)/PARENTS' CHALLENGE	JOA
22-Jul	9	Jamaica Seniors Championship: MAJORS (40-49 yo); VETERANS (50-64 yo) and SENIORS (65+)/PARENTS' CHALLENGE	JOA
23-Jul		Free Day	
29-Jul		JCF Monthly Council Meeting	SDF
30-Jul		Free Day	
01-Aug (Tue)		Emancipation Day	

05-Aug		Free Day	
06-Aug		Independence Day (Actual)	
07-Aug (Mon)		Independence Day (Celebrated)	
09-Aug (Wed)		Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
10- Aug (Thur)	1-2	Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
11- Aug (Fri)	3	Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
12- Aug (Sat)	4-5	Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
13- Aug (Sun)	6	Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
14- Aug (Mon)	7-8	Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
15- Aug (Tue)	9	Central American & Caribbean Youth Chess Championships 2017	Panama
26-Aug		Free Day	
27-Aug		Free Day	
02-Sep	1-3	St. Jago Open	St. Jago High
03-Sep	4-6	St. Jago Open	St. Jago High
09-Sep (Sat)		Free Day	JOA
10-Sep (Sun)		Free Day	JOA
16-26 Sep		WORLD YOUTH U14, U16, U18 , 2017	Montevideo, Uruguay

16-Sep		Free Day	JOA
17-Sep		Free Day	JOA
21-Sep (Thu)	1	10th NM Dr. Harold Chan Open (3 rd GRAND PRIX NATIONAL QUALIFIER for 2018 National Championships)	Liberty
22-Sep (Fri)	2	NM Dr. Harold Chan Open	Liberty
23-Sep	3-4	NM Dr. Harold Chan Open	Liberty
24-Sep	5-6	NM Dr. Harold Chan Open	Liberty
30-Sep		JCF Monthly Council Meeting / IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidates Masters Challenge (Round of 32- Gms 1 & 2)	SDF / JOA
01-Oct		IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidates Masters Challenge (Round of 16- Gms 1 & 2)	JOA
07-Oct	11-12	IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidate Masters Challenge (Quarter-Finals- Gms 1 & 2)	
08-Oct	13-14	IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidate Masters Challenge (Quarter-Finals- Gms 3 & 4)	
13-Oct		Chess Festival	TBA
14-Oct		Chess Festival	TBA
15-Oct		Chess Festival	TBA
16-Oct (Mon)		MONDAY (HEROES DAY) – REST DAY	

19-Oct (Thu)		48th Jamaica Open - CANCELLED	
20-Oct (Fri)			
21-Oct		IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidate Masters Challenge (Semi-Finals – Gms 1 & 2)	JOA
21-Oct	1-6	Queen's Prep Open (Rapid Tournament)	Queen's Prep
22-Oct		IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidate Masters Challenge (Semi-Finals-Gms 3 & 4)	JOA
28-Oct		JCF Monthly Meeting / IM Jomo Pitterson Masters Knock-out Candidate Masters Challenge (Finals Gms 1 & 2)	SDF
29-Oct		IM Jomo Pitterson MKO Candidate Masters Challenge (Finals Gms 3 & 4)	JOA
4-Nov	1-6	Jamaica National Rapid Championships	Liberty Academy
5-Nov	1-9	Jamaica National Blitz Championships	Liberty Academy
6 - 19-Nov		World Senior Championships 2017	Acqui Terme, Italy
11-Nov	1-6	M.S. Chess Tournament (Rapid Tournament)	Queens School TBC
12-Nov		Free Day	JOA
18-Nov	1-6	WIM Deborah Richards-Porter Women's Chess Festival	Campion College
19-Nov		Free Day	

25-Nov		JCF Monthly Meeting	SDF
25-Nov	1-6	Ravensworth Rapids	St. Jago High School
26-Nov		Free Day	
07-Dec (Thu)	1	15th Frederick Cameron Open (4 th & FINAL - GRAND PRIX NATIONAL QUALIFIER for 2018 National Championships)	Liberty
08-Dec (Fri)	2	Frederick Cameron Open	Liberty
09-Dec	3-4	Frederick Cameron Open	Liberty
10-Dec	5-6	Frederick Cameron Open	Liberty
16-Dec	1-3	Clarendon Open	Central High School OR Glenmuir High May Pen
17-Dec	4-6	Clarendon Open	Glenmuir High May Pen
20-Dec (Wed)	1-3	Start of the 2017/2018 National Schools Chess Champs (Preliminaries)	St Catherine High
21-Dec (Thu)	4-6	Start of the 2017/2018 National Schools Chess Champs (Preliminaries)	St Catherine High
23-Dec		Free Day	
24 Dec		Free Day	
25-Dec (Mon)		Christmas Day	
26-Dec (Tue)		Boxing Day	

30-Dec		Free Day (No Council Meeting as Previously Decided)	
31-Dec		New Year's Eve	