

PRELIMINARY FORMAT OF THE THIRD FRIEDRICH WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2008

A – COURSE OF THE TOURNAMENT AND POINTS

The championship uses the Friedrich rules of play, version 2.1, including the rules for the expert game.

The tournament will be played in two rounds. In the qualification round, every participant will play 4 games, one game in each of the four roles: Frederick, Maria Theresa, Elisabeth and Pompadour. In the final match, the best 4 players of the qualification round will compete for the 1st Friedrich World Championship.

In the qualification round, each player will play against different opponents in each of his 4 games (if possible, since realization of this idea depends on the number of participants). The line-up for all games will be made by fortune at the beginning of the tournament.

During the qualification round, the games are played using a common time table. Each game will start at 10:00 p.m. or at 5:00 p.m. Punctuality of the players is to be expected, otherwise they run in danger being disqualified.

During the qualification round, each player earns points:

- For the game:
 - Standard game (i.e. no Prussian Offensive Option): Frederick: Duration of the game (each round = 0.5P), for a maximum of 11.5P; if victorious Friedrich receives always 10 P (plus bonus, see below). Elisabeth: Controlled objectives at the end of the game in percent divided by 10; to a maximum of 10P. Maria Theresa: like Elisabeth Pompadour: like Elisabeth.
 - Prussian OO with Prussian offensive victory: Friedrich, Elisabeth, Pompadour: as in the standard game. Maria Theresa: Duration of the game (each turn = 0.5P) OR controlled objectives at the end of the game in percent divided by 10. The better result counts.
 - Prussian OO with Prussian defeat: Friedrich, Elisabeth, Pompadour: as in the standard game. Maria Theresa: Duration of the game (each round = 0.5P) OR controlled objectives at the end of the game in percent divided by 10. The better result counts.
 - Prussian OO with Prussian defensive victory: All: as in the standard game.
- Bonus points for victory:** The winner of the game receives 2 bonus points. If there are more than winning nations, there will be an additional +1 bonus for each winning nation (for instance, 2 winning nations will make for a total bonus of 4P, 3 winning nations for a bonus of 5P, etc.). This total bonus is equally spread out on the winning nations.

Notes:

- If a player is playing with more than one nation, his best nation is counts.
- If a nation leaves the game due to a card of fate, her controlled cities at the moment she leaves are counted.
- If the Imperial Army switches player, Maria Theresa counts the controlled objectives at the moment of the switch. This score will be used as second tie-breaker.
- Some examples of scorings can be found in the appendix.

During the tournament, the total points of each player will be shown on a public table. This table will use pseudonyms instead of real player's names in order to avoid tactical or gamey tricks,

Ties between players at the end of the qualification round, will be resolved using tie-breakers in the following order:

- Points of the nations, which were not used for the ranking, when playing Elisabeth and Maria Theresa (note: normally these are Sweden and Imperial Army). If tied:
- Standard Deviation: The game, in which the tied player was Frederick, is used to calculate the standard deviation of the anti-Prussian Players. (A winning Prussia/Hanover automatically has a difference of 0.) The lower standard deviation wins. If tied:
- TC-coefficient: From the total dealt out TCs a coefficient is calculated, that is: sum of all TC's of Prussia+Hanover divided by sum of all TCs of the attacking nations. The lower coefficient wins. If tied:
- Points with the role »Frederick« If tied:
- Die roll.

B – THE FINAL

The best 4 players of the qualification round play the final.

The highest ranked player has free choice of the role Frederick, Elisabeth, Maria Theresa or Elisabeth. Second ranked player has the choice of the remaining three roles, and so on.

The winner of the final game is the first Friedrich World Champion.

Given the case, that more than one player wins the final, then the World Champion will be the one, who has won with the role, which has the lowest chances on victory. For determining the chances of victory of a given role, the results of the qualification round are used. These chances won't be made public to the players in order to avoid gamey tactics.

C – FAIRPLAY AND GENTLEMAN RULES

Although it is a World Championship, players are expected to have fun during the tournament. There is the emphatic appeal on sportsmanship and fairplay. In detail, the following gentleman rules are in effect.

Players should not deliberately delay the game by a slow pace.

- The movement of a piece can be canceled as long as no other piece has been moved.
- A played card is considered to be played and may not be canceled (unless the playing was against the rules).
- If a player forgets to check supply of his generals, the other players have to remind him to make the supply check. If they forget this, too, the supply check will be made as soon as it becomes obvious that the supply check was forgotten AND if the constellation of pieces still allow for it without any doubt. As soon as the "forgetful" player starts his next turn, the forgotten supply check is canceled in his favour.
- EVERY player should take care, that conquered objectives are marked as conquered. If a player forgets to mark a conquered objective, he may do it as long as the next player has not yet moved a piece.
- If there is a dispute about a rule or a violation of the fair play rules, players must contact the jury, if at least one player thinks this is necessary.
- It is not allowed to count the game turns of a game by writing, by a tally sheet, by using markers, by loud counting, or using any other tools. Of course, players are allowed trying to remember the number of played game turns. It is also

not allowed to write down army allocations of opposing players or played TC's.

- If a combat reaches the score of zero, and a player says that he is able to end the combat with a draw, players should call for a jury member or for a player from a neighbouring table who is able to confirm this.
- If possible, mobile telephones should be switched off. If players cannot afford to do so, they are asked for: a) to adjust their ring tones as gentle as possible; b) to reduce the time of a talk to an absolute necessary minimum.

D – SPECIAL TASKS AND TC SHUFFLING

Player Pompadour has to fill out a prepared minimum game report sheet. Once the game ends, Pompadour has to contact the jury, which will make the scoring of the game. Until the jury has not appeared at the gaming table, players may not change the game situation – especially they may not touch the card of fates.

Player Pompadour is responsible for the sorting of played TC's. He is also responsible that the TC decks are shuffled, as soon as they are needed for playing. To avoid delays, these shuffling should be done foresighted.

In order to speed up play, all attacking nations receive their TC's once Hanover has finished her move, so that they are able to plan their moves. Following rules, however, are in effect:

- Russia and Austria are NOT allowed to look at the new card of Sweden / Imperial Army, unless they have finished their move as Russia/Austria.
- All nations carry out their action stages one after the other, i.e. the sequence of moves still is: Russia, Sweden, Austria, Imperial Army, France.
- No nation is allowed to tell another nation what she wants to do, unless she actually started her action stage.

E – TIME LIMIT

For each game, player Friedrich has 140 minutes. The players Elisabeth, M. Theresa and Pompadour also have 140 minutes, but as a team. In order to measure the time, chess clocks are used.

Frederick is »on the clock« when TCs are dealt out to him. After the supply check of Hanover, the attacking players are on the clock. After the supply check of France, the clock is stopped, so that the card of fate can be read and executed.

During the following situations the clock is stopped also:

- Combat resolution (but not retreats!).
- A player leaves the table (e.g., to contact the jury).
- Rules discussion or other disputes.

The clock is not stopped :

- for the execution of retreats after combat. The time for the retreat decision is charged on the clock of the winner of the combat.
- for shuffling the TC deck, if a new deck is needed. The shuffling is charged on the clock of the attacking nations. Therefore player Pompadour should do the shuffling foresighted (for instance during a Prussian move, or during a combat where Pompadour is not involved).

All players should take care that the procedure of being »on the clock« and »off the clock« is executed correctly.

If a side has used up her time, the game is continued, but with a strict time limit for that side. Time is given per nation as follows:

- Prussia: 150 sec.
- Hanover: 30 sec.

- Russia: 60 sec.
- Sweden: 20 sec.
- Austria: 60 sec.
- Imperial Army: 20 sec.
- France: 60 sec.

It is not possible to »take« not used-up time into the next turn. However, it is possible to use unused Prussian time in the move of Hanover of the same turn. Similarly, Sweden may use unused Russian time, and Imperial Army may use unused Austrian time (but only if these 2 nations are led by the same player).

The jury will take care about the time limits with a stopwatch.



Appendix – Some examples for scoring points

1. Standard game, victory of Austria.

Duration: 19 turns; Victory: Austria

The nations hold the following objectives at game end (or after leaving the game):

Russia: 6 out of 10 objectives; Sweden 3 out of 5; Austria: 12 out of 12; Imperial Army (lead by Elisabeth): 4 out of 5; France: 9 out of 10

	Friedrich	Elisabeth	Maria Theresa	Pompadour
	Pr: 9.5	R: 6	Ö: 10	F: 9
		Swe: 6		
		RA: 8		
Bonus			2	
Points	9.5	8	12	9

2. Standard game, victory of Prussia.

Duration: 16 turns; Victory: Prussia/Hanover

The nations hold the following objectives at game end (or after leaving the game):

Russia: 7 out of 10 objectives; Sweden 4 von 10; Austria: 10 out of 12; Imperial Army (lead by Pompadour): 2 out of 5; France: 6 out of 10

	Friedrich	Elisabeth	Maria Theresa	Pompadour
	Pr: 10	R: 7	Ö: 8.33	F: 6
		Swe: 4		RA: 4
Bonus	2			
Points	12	7	8.33	6

3. Standard game, Multiple victory.

Duration: 11 turns; Victory: France, Sweden and Russia.

The nations hold the following objectives at game end (or after leaving the game):

Russia 10 out of 10 objectives; Sweden 10 out of 10; Austria: 9 out of 16; Imperial Army (lead by M. Theresa): 7 out of 10; France: 10 out of 10

	Friedrich	Elisabeth	Maria Theresa	Pompadour
	Pr: 5.5	R: 10	Ö: 5.63	F: 10
		Swe: 10	RA: 7	
Bonus		2.67		1.33
Points	5.5	12.67	7	11.33



4. Prussian OO; Prussian victory.

Duration: 9 turns; Vicitrory: Prussia/Hanover
The nations hold the following objectives at game end (or after leaving the game):
Russia: 7 out of 10 objectives; Sweden 6 out of 10; Austria: 1 out of 12; Imperial Army (lead by M. Theresa): 3 out of 10; France: 9 out of 10

	Friedrich	Elisabeth	Maria Theresa	Pompadour
	Pr: 10	R:7	Ö-Zielst.: 0.08	F: 9
		Swe: 6	Ö-Zeit: 4.5	
			RA: 3	
Bonus	2			
Points	12	7	4.5	9

5. Prussian OO, Prussian Defeat.

Duration: 9 turns, Victory: Sweden
The nations hold the following objectives at game end (or after leaving the game):
Russia: 7 out of 10 objectives; Sweden 5 out of 5; Austria: 8 out of 12; imperial Army (lead by M. Theresa): 4 out of 10; France: 8 out of 10

	Friedrich	Elisabeth	Maria Theresa	Pompadour
	Pr: 4.5	R:7	Ö-Zielst.: 6.67	F: 8
		Swe: 10	Ö-Zeit: 4.5	
			RA: 4	
Bonus		2		
Points	4.5	12	6.67	8