**Arbiter Recompense**

The CAA recommend that no arbiter should be expected to be out of pocket for officiating at a chess event. Arbiters may decide to offer their services for less than the recommended amounts.

Every chess event should have a minimum of two arbiters. Normally each section will have an arbiter. One arbiter per 24-32 players is a guideline for the number of arbiters required. Large Opens may need fewer arbiters than those figures suggest but a Blitz tournament may need more. The prestige of a tournament will also affect the number of arbiters, the more prestigious the event the greater the number of arbiters involved.

Additional tasks such as games inputting or running live boards will increase the number of arbiters required unless these tasks are allocated to others. In addition to these fees transport costs should be included and, where necessary, overnight accommodation provided. A £20 a day food allowance should be made where no meals are provided. Transport costs will normally be based on bus fares or standard rail fares. A per mile car allowance should be paid where equipment is being transported. (30p-40p a mile is normal.)

The figures below represent the minimum honorarium that should be offered. These figures should be increased for events in the London area. A figure equivalent to the living wage should be given where events have significant sponsorship or arbiters are professionals.

If an arbiter receives less than the recommended figures there is a strong argument for including the difference as a donation in the final accounts. Doing so can increase the chances of grants in future years.

It should be recognised that these fees should be seen as a minimum.

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|  | One Day Blitz | One Day Rapid | Two Day Rapidplay | 2 Day Congress | 3 Day Congress | 4 Day Event | 5 Day Event | 7 Day Event | 9 Day Event |
| Chief Arbiter | £25(£45\*) | £30(£50\*) | £50(£90\*) | £50(£90\*) | £75(£135\*) | £100(£180\*) | £125(£225\*) | £175(£315\*) | £225(£405\*) |
| Deputy Chief/Sector Arbiter | £20(£40\*) | £25(£45\*) | £40(£80\*) | £40(£80\*) | £60(£120\*) | £80(£160\*) | £100(£200\*) | £140(£280\*) | £175(£355\*) |
| Arbiter | £15(£35\*) | £20(£40\*) | £30(£70\*) | £30(£70\*) | £45(£105\*) | £60(£140\*) | £75(£175\*) | £100(£240\*) | £110(£290\*) |
| Trainee Arbiter | £10(£30\*) | £10(£30\*) | £20(£60\*) | £20(£60\*) | £30(£90\*) | £40(£120) | £50(£150\*) | £70(£210\*) | £90(£270\*) |

\*With meal allowance