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Fairfield County Championship

$1,200+ in Guaranteed Prizes & Awards! All states welcome!

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NORWALK Public Library

Date/Time: Saturday, December 12, 2026; Round 1 at 10 AM, then ASAP.
Online registration thru Dec 11; onsite thru 11 AM on Dec 12.

Location: Norwalk (Main) Public Library, 1 Belden Avenue, Norwalk, CT 06850

Sec/Rds/ TC/Byes: Open, U2000, U1500, U1000, U500; 4 Rounds Swiss, G/30+10;
New England- and USCF-rated, if both players are USCF members;
One ½ point bye in Rounds 1-3; Discretionary Round 1 bye if needed.
Reentry permitted all section before Round 2.

Prizes: Open: $400-200, $100 to Top U2100. U2000: $200-100, $100 to Top U1600. U1500/U1000/U500: Trophies to Top 3, Top U1100 in U1500, U600 in U1000. Trophies to Open/U2000 winners. Melvin Patrick Memorial Prize: Plaque and $100 to Top Upset. Medals for others in lower sections. Cash prizes via PayPal.

Tie break: Perfect (4-0) scores decided by CSCA standard tiebreak format. USCF tiebreaks determine seeding. (More below.)

Entry Fee: Register online; $50 by 12/4; $60 by 12/8, $80 by 12/10, $100 after. U1500/U1000/U500: $40/50/60/80. *Reentry/Changes:* $20. GM/IM FREE by 12/7, then from prizes. Other Titled $20 less. Standard discounts apply.

Notes: [1] **Tiebreak.** Format: a) G/10+3 game; if drawn, b) G/3+2 game; if drawn, c) G/5/4+2 game. Seeding/color by USCF tiebreaks. Tiebreak may be modified at the discretion of the organizer. [2] **Standard Discounts.** CSCA offers discounts for CSCA Premium Members, Veterans, Siblings, Seniors 65+, Title I Students and Hardship Cases. Please write to events.CSCA@gmail.com to apply. Not combinable. [3] **Onsite Transactions.** Onsite transactions are in cash. [4] **USCF ID Discount:** Take $10 off your USCF ID purchase or renewal onsite. CSCA Premium Members: $15 off. For new/expired/expiring IDs only. [5] **Equipment.** All equipment, including clocks/scoresheets, provided. [6] **Est. End Time.** Total: 6.5 hours. End ~4:30 PM. [7] **Prizes & Tax Requirements.** All prizes are paid via PayPal. Players winning $2,000 or more in calendar year must submit a W-9 to events.CSCA@gmail.com. [8] **Withdrawal Refund Policy:** To withdraw and request a refund, players MUST email their request to events.CSCA@gmail.com no later than Dec 9. Requests received after deadline, will not be honored. Refunds are subject to $20 admin fee. [9] **Solicitation Prohibited.** CSCA Promotion Policy at CSCA Tournaments & Events is in effect. Contact the CSCA for promotional opportunities. [10] **Videography/ Photography:** By registering for our tournaments, player/guardian consents to all recordings and waves all claims thereto and relinquishes all rights therein.