

# Example Bid

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Blue Text is me speaking to the membership giving comments on how to make your bid.

Red Text is what I would include if this was a real bid explaining different items to the Executive Board.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Alabama Class Chess Championship

March 15-16, 2008

5-Swiss G/100

USCF Rated Event

ACF Inc. Sanctioned Event

TMC Sponsored Event

Where I put TMC Sponsored Event you could put the name of your club or organization.

Just make sure you accredit the ACF Inc. if they are sanctioning or sponsoring it. Also do not forget to state that the event is USCF Rated.

Entry Fee: **\$45**

Pre-registration Fee: **\$39** Don't put the pre-registration and the day of entry fee too far apart in price.

ACF Inc. Adult Membership Fee: **\$10 for one year (other memberships available, more information at [www.alabamachess.com](http://www.alabamachess.com))**

TMC Membership Fee: **\$5 for one year**

If a club is running this event, and typically charges a club membership fee, keep in mind it could turn players off having to pay two membership fees to two different organizations. But at the same time, your club shouldn't be neglected just because you are obliging the ACF Inc.

Location: Mobile Gas Energy South; 2828 Dauphin Street, Mobile, AL 36606. From I65, take exit 4. Head east for roughly one mile, passing a street called Sage Avenue.

Once you pass this street, immediately begin looking left. You will see a park, a few office buildings, and then Mobile Gas. Mobile Gas has a large sign with fountains and many flowers, and is a very large building. Turn in, and park in the front. Do not enter the main front doors. Instead, face them, and look just to your left, you will see a sidewalk leading to a smaller door. Enter there, and follow our signs to the upstairs Auditorium (there is an elevator available, along with handicap bathrooms). If for some reason you get lost that morning, you can give me a call on my cell, (251) 623-2228, and I will direct you where you need to go. **This facility is spectacular!** Don't be afraid to really brag on your facility! **The tournament hall can seat up to 200 people, and has**

great lighting. The tournament hall is very separate from the skittles area. This skittles room has a drink and snack machine. Water coolers are placed around the facility so you have free water, we also will have free donuts and coffee Saturday morning. Facility is air conditioned and has plenty of private parking. Additionally, there are nearby, cheap and expensive hotels. There is a rent equivalent to one pre-registration fee (the guy who gets us this place for free I let enter the tournament for free). Explain your rent situation.

Open \$525 b/14	U1800 \$525 b/14	U1600 \$525 b/14	U1400 \$525 b/14	U1200 \$525 b/14
1st \$200	1st \$200	1st \$200	1st \$200	1st \$200
2nd \$150	2nd \$150	2nd \$150	2nd \$150	2nd \$150
3rd \$100	3rd \$100	3rd \$100	3rd \$100	3rd \$100
4th \$75	4th \$75	4th \$75	4th \$75	4th \$75

There will be trophies for the top two places in each section. Do not forget to include any prizes apart for just cash.

Okay Exec. Board, I have five classes each with prizes based only on the turnout in that section.

Registration: 8:00AM-8:45AM Saturday Morning. Late entries force a half point bye in round one. Note to Membership: When setting registration and your first round time be sure to keep in mind that often the majority of the players show up at the last minute of registration, and thus you often require more time. Also keep in mind that with this many sections you will need extra time doing pairings most likely.

Pre-registration: Ends March 10, 2008. Please mail your pre-registration entry fee to 2225A Leroy Stephens Road Apartment #1208, Mobile, AL 36695. Make all checks and or money orders payable to Keenan Olson.

I pushed the pre-registration ending date as close as I could to encourage pre-registration (March 10, 2008 is the Monday before the event). While pre-registration earns you less money, saving a \$6 can often get someone in who wouldn't have come otherwise. Also, players like to know they are already registered so they don't have to worry about missing the morning registration.

Saturday Rounds (1-3)

1) 9:30 – 12:50 2) 1:50 – 5:10 3) 6:10 – 9:30

Sunday Rounds (4-5)

4) 9:00 – 12:20 5) 1:20 – 4:40

Okay Exec. Board, I think round times are pretty simple, but I wanted to point out that I left and hour between every round for rest and food. Also, note, there are plenty of restaurants five to ten minutes away from the playing site. A few fast food places are actually within walking distance.

Tournament Director: Keenan Olson

Cell Phone: (251)623-2228

E-mail: [President@alabamachess.com](mailto:President@alabamachess.com)

Note to membership: Do not forget your contact information.

There will be assistant directors of course, I am just not sure who yet.

**Red Roof Inn (#98)**

33 i-65 service rd Mobile, AL, USA 36606

(i-65 at dauphin st, exit #4)

Phone: (251) 476-2004 Fax: (251) 476-2054

**Howard Johnson Inn Mobile AL.**

3132 Government Blvd Mobile, AL 36606

Call 800-664-6835

**Family Inns of America**

900 S Beltline Highway Mobile, AL 36609

Call 251-344-5500 or 800-251-9752

These are the best priced hotels in the area. The first is within three minutes of the playing site, the other two are within ten minutes of the playing site.

This tournament abides by TMC Policies. These policies are available at [www.teachmechess.com](http://www.teachmechess.com), listed on the main menu as 'TMC Policies'.

If there are any policies separate from the USCF Rules, or if you are having any kind of exception to a USCF Rules, you MUST advertise this on your flier. If it is too much information to put on the flier, be sure to clearly express where they can be viewed.