

Observer report for Valencia 2024 (MCR, MERS 3,5)

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Date: September 7th – 8th 2024

Place: Valencia, Spain

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Mahjong Valencia:

registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 72 players

Represented countries

	ESP				POR				
27	16	15	5	3	2	1	1	1	1

Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 115 minutes

Location: The tournament will take place in Hotel Port Azafata Valencia, a 4-star hotel with lots of services, located in the outskirt of Valencia.

Equipment: We played with standard mahjong sets. Everything was good.

Refereeing: Loïc de Kergommeaux (playing Referee), Erwan de Kergommeaux (playing Referee), & Antonio Ayllón (playing Referee).

Complaints: Day one, 3rd session, there was 30 min delayed after the lunch.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. A gong clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session, projected from a computer on a screen.

Sessions: Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun).

Catering: Lunch in the same place (hotel restaurant with starter, main course & dessert for 2 days), drinks and others.

Prizes: Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd) & also for 4th to 7th with a unique trophies for each ("Top 7" in inscription), one for the best team.

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Valencia, near the airport (20 min to walk) with a very hot weather (Thanks to the air conditioner). There was many countries, mixed of young and old peoples. One of the appreciable and pleasant tournament we all like.