



Observer report for Valencia Riichi 2026 (RCR, MERS 3.5)

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Date: 3rd and 4th of May 2026

Place: Valencia, Spain

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of the tournament, <https://riichi2026.mahjong-valencia.es/>

Participants: 52 players



Playing schedule: 2 days, 9 rounds of 75 minutes

Location: Hotel Port Azafata Valencia, Cta. Aeropuerto, 15, 46940 Manises, Valencia.

Venue & Equipment: We played with excellent condition games and tables. Very large space, AC in main room and resting areas making it highly qualitative for players.

Refereeing: Yulong Zhao was playing referee.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. An announcement from the organization team clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session, online posted.

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

Catering: Breakfast, lunch in the same place (typical spanish dishes), drinks included.

Prizes: Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd), one for referee and observer. Specific trophies for the combined cup with Milan Tournament (Mediterranean cup).

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Valencia with flawless organization from Valencia Mahjong Club team.