

SETTING UP THE GAME

THE CHESS CHAMPION comes complete with an adaptor for a 240V AC power supply.

Ensure that your power supply matches this.

The current into the machine is 400mA 7.2V-8.4V.

LEVEL OF PLAY – What it means

- Level 1 – beginner – the computer will reply at once
 - Level 2 – experienced beginner – reply within 15 – 20 seconds
 - Level 3 – average player – reply between 15 seconds to 20 minutes according to the complexity of the position
 - Level 4 – above average – reply takes from 20 seconds to 25 minutes
 - Level 5 – These advanced levels are suitable only for very extended games e.g. correspondence chess, due to the length of time taken by the Chess Champion in computing its reply. If you are a very strong player and wish to play at a level above level 4, it is recommended that you start a game and play the first dozen or so moves at level 4 and then switch to the higher level required after the opening moves. This will in no way affect the position of the pieces and will considerably speed up the opening stages of the game.
 - Level 6 – If you reach a situation towards the end of a game on level 5 or 6, where it is obvious that the computer has a very limited number of moves at its disposal (e.g. the Black King is in check), to save time, it is recommended to switch down to level 4, before keying in the white move that puts the black king in check. If left on levels 5 and 6, the computer will use the maximum time available to analyse the position. Generally speaking the computer's response will take up to 10 hours on level 5 according to the complexity of the problem and on level 6, the most difficult level, the reply can take anything up to 2 days.
- NOTE – it is recommended that you turn off the Chess Champion between moves in correspondence chess and then set it up again using Mode 'B' when you need to restart the game.

The Chess Champion flashes the chosen level on the LED display, while it is computing its move.