
ELEAGUE Major to Host Americas Qualifier with Online Competition via the FACEIT Platform Starting Nov. 2

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Top Challenger Teams to Face Invitees Cloud 9, Immortals, Echo Fox and Team SoloMid for Two ELEAGUE Major Qualifier Berths

ELEAGUE, the professional esports organization formed in partnership between Turner and WME | IMG, will host the **Americas Qualifier Counter-Strike: Global Offensive (CS:GO) Tournament** starting **Wednesday, Nov. 2**, with the Open Qualifier stage via FACEIT, the leading competitive gaming platform. The *Americas Qualifier* will showcase four invited organizations - **Cloud 9, Immortals, Echo Fox** and **Team SoloMid** - against four advancing teams from the Open Qualifier stage.

The four winning teams will advance to compete live from **ELEAGUE Arena** in Atlanta starting Saturday, **Dec. 3**, at **12 p.m. ET**, with live coverage on Twitch. The two finalist teams will be invited to the **ELEAGUE Major Championship Qualifier**, held **December 15-18** (also from ELEAGUE Arena with coverage presented live on Twitch).

The first-ever **ELEAGUE Major** will be held **January 22-29, 2017** in Atlanta as the collective 16 Legend and Challenger teams compete for the title of *CS:GO* Major Champion and a majority share of the **one million dollar prize pool**. The entire event will be streamed live via the ELEAGUE channel on Twitch, with the Grand Final presented live on **TBS** and **Twitch**.

Americas Qualifier Tournament Format

Powered by the FACEIT platform, the online portion of the *Americas Qualifier* will consist of two Open Qualifier rounds and one Closed Qualifier round. The top two teams from each Open Qualifier round (four teams total) will advance to the Closed Qualifier, where they will be split into two groups. Each group will consist of two invited teams and two qualifying teams in a double-elimination bracket. The four advancing teams will play a double elimination bracket at ELEAGUE Arena in Atlanta, starting with two best-of-one matches on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 12 p.m. and continuing with three best-of-three matches on Sunday, Dec. 4, at 10 a.m.

Americas Qualifier Tournament Schedule

Open Qualifier #1 (single elimination; top two advance)

Date	Time (ET)	Match Format
Nov. 2	1-7 p.m.	best-of-one; Round of 512-Round of 16
Nov. 3	1-6 p.m.	best-of-three; Round of 8 and Round of 4

Open Qualifier #2 (single elimination; top two advance)

Date	Time (ET)	Match Format
Nov. 6	1-7 p.m.	best-of-one; Round of 512-Round of 16
Nov. 7	1-6 p.m.	best-of-three; Round of 8 and Round of 4

Closed Qualifier (Eight teams; two groups; both groups play simultaneously)

Date	Time (ET)	Match Format
Nov. 8	1-6 p.m.	2 best-of-one followed by 1 best-of-three winners' match
Nov. 9	1-6 p.m.	1 best-of-three losers' match followed by 1 best-of-three deciding match

Finals at ELEAGUE Arena (Four teams; two finalists receive invitations to ELEAGUE Major Qualifier)

Date	Time (ET)	Match Format
Dec. 3	12 p.m.	2 best-of-one
Dec. 4	10 a.m.	3 best-of-three

Fans interested in attending The ELEAGUE Major can purchase tickets [here](#).

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