

# The ELEAGUE Major: Boston Set to Begin with The New Challengers Stage on Friday, Jan. 12

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## Schedule & Casting Teams Announced for First Major Championship of 2018

**ELEAGUE**, the premium esports tournament and content brand from Turner and IMG, today announced the initial matches and casters for its second *Counter-Strike: Global Offensive* Major Championship, **The ELEAGUE Major: Boston**. The \$1 million showdown will begin with *The New Challengers* stage, **Friday, Jan. 12, at 10 a.m. ET** with live [Twitch](#) coverage from **ELEAGUE Arena** in **Atlanta**.

*The New Challengers* stage will feature 16 teams including the bottom eight finishers from the previous Major against the Minor Champions and Runners Up, split into four pools:



In the first round, each team from Pool One will play a best-of-one game against a randomly drawn team from Pool Four, while each team from Pool Two will play a best-of-one match against a randomly drawn team from Pool Three. In subsequent rounds, teams will be re-grouped based on their win-loss records, and will face a new opponent with the same record. Matches will continue in this format until each team either earns three wins and advances to the *The New Legends* stage, or loses three times and is eliminated. First round matchups include:



### Popular CS:GO Personalities to Cast Each Stage of *The ELEAGUE Major: Boston*

Fans can enjoy exciting tournament commentary, predictions and analysis from a popular lineup of CS:GO experts. ELEAGUE host **Richard Lewis** will be joined by a rotation of seasoned commentators including **Anders Blume**; former professional players **Jason ‘Moses’ O’Toole**, **Janko ‘YNk’ Paunovic**, **Daniel ‘DDK’ Kapadia** and **Henry ‘HenryG’ Greer**; **Sue ‘Smix’ Lee**, **James Bardolph** and **Matthew ‘Sadokist’ Trivett**.



### *The ELEAGUE Major: Boston* Tickets

Fans can purchase three-day tickets for *The ELEAGUE Major: Boston's The New Champions* stage by visiting [www.eleague.com/major](http://www.eleague.com/major). All fans in attendance will receive a premium gift bag.

### **Media Credentials and On-Site Access**

Media interested in covering *The ELEAGUE Major: Boston* on site can request credential(s) via [ELEAGUE.com](http://ELEAGUE.com).

### **More about ELEAGUE**

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