

ESL One Rio 2020

CS:GO Major Championship

Regional Distribution

Overview

For the ESL One Rio CS:GO Major Championship, the world is divided into four core regions: Americas, Asia, Europe & CIS per instructions from Valve. The core regions are then further divided into subregions for qualifier purposes, as ESL sees fit. The overview can be seen below:

- **Americas** (subregions: North America & South America)
- **Asia** (subregions: Middle East, Southeast Asia, Oceania, Greater China & East Asia)
- **Europe** (no subregions)
- **CIS** (no subregions)

Special Exceptions

Teams can request to participate in a different sub-region that is part of their home sub-region, if they can provide ESL validation for their request. Examples for such reasons are:

- i) There are no qualifiers in the home sub-region(s) for the team and the team is willing to travel to the sub-region of the qualifier to play it.
- ii) The team is taking part in (a) competition(s) in a sub-region other than their home sub-region and has matches to play there before and after and in such close timely proximity to the qualifier(s) in their home region(s) that travelling back for that qualifier(s) would be unreasonable.
- iii) The team is staying in another sub-region for good reason (esports-related) for a prolonged time that spans over the time of the qualifier for their home sub-region and it can be clearly shown that this condition has not been created to be able to take part in a qualifier that might be easier to qualify from.

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List of countries/territories and their assigned ESL One regions

1. Europe

- Albania
- Andorra
- Austria
- Belgium
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Greece
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Liechtenstein
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Monaco
- Montenegro
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- San Marino
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey

- Republic of North Macedonia
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

2. North America

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Canada
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Dominica
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- French Guiana
- Grenada
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Jamaica
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Peru
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Lucia
- Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- Suriname
- Trinidad and Tobago
- United States of America
- Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of

3. South America

- Argentina
- Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
- Brazil
- Chile
- Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)
- Paraguay
- Uruguay

4. CIS

- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Belarus
- Georgia
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Republic of Moldova
- Russian Federation
- Tajikistan
- Turkmenistan
- Ukraine
- Uzbekistan

5. Oceania

- Australia
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Marshall Islands
- Micronesia (Federated States of)
- Nauru
- New Zealand
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Samoa
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
- Vanuatu

6. East Asia

- Democratic People's Republic of Korea
- Japan
- Mongolia
- Republic of Korea
- Taiwan

7. Southeast Asia

- Bangladesh

- Bhutan
- Brunei Darussalam
- Cambodia
- India
- Indonesia
- Lao People's Democratic Republic
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Myanmar
- Nepal
- Philippines
- Singapore
- Sri Lanka
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Vietnam

8. Greater China

- China
- Hong Kong
- Macau

9. Middle East - Qualifier 1

- Afghanistan
- Iran (Islamic Republic of)
- Iraq
- Israel
- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Saudi Arabia
- Syrian Arab Republic
- Bahrain

10. Middle East - Qualifier 2

- Bahrain
- Kuwait
- Oman
- Qatar
- Pakistan
- United Arab Emirates
- Yemen

11. Africa

- Algeria
- Angola
- Benin
- Botswana
- Burkina Faso
- Burundi
- Cabo Verde
- Cameroon
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Comoros
- Congo
- Côte D'Ivoire
- Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Djibouti
- Egypt
- Equatorial Guinea
- Eritrea
- Eswatini
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Gambia (Republic of The)
- Ghana
- Guinea
- Guinea Bissau
- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Libya
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- Sao Tome and Principe
- Senegal

- Seychelles
- Sierra Leone
- Somalia
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- Togo
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- United Republic of Tanzania
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe
- *Most sub-saharan regions seem to have the best connection to our Middle East servers which are located in Dubai and therefore teams coming from that region are advised to participate in the Middle East qualifiers.*

If your country/territory is not listed in any of the regions - please reach out to tournament administration for further information on which region you should be participating from (email: csgomajor@eslgaming.com).