KATOWICE 2021

Detailed overview of replacement rules

- Replacement Deadline: Monday, January 18th
- 1-week before the Tournament: Tuesday, February 9th
- 1-day before the Tournament: Monday, February 15th

**Before the replacement deadline**
In case a team drops out the following happens:

1. ESL Pro Tour Slots
   a. The next team in line from the same region in the EPT standings will receive an invitation to the tournament.
      i. In the EPT slot distribution for the tournament every team below the dropped team moves one slot up and the replacement team will be added at the bottom.

2. ESL World Ranking Slots - Global
   a. The next team in line from the ESL WR will receive an invitation to the tournament.
      i. The ESL WR at the time of the dropout will be used to determine the next team in line.

3. Local NC’s / EEC Winner
   a. The next team in line from the local NC / EEC will receive an invitation to the tournament.

**After the replacement deadline**
In case a team drops out the following happens:

1. ESL Pro Tour Slots
   a. The next team in line from the home region of the tournament in the EPT standings will receive an invitation to the tournament.
      i. In the EPT slot distribution for the tournament every team below the dropped team moves one slot up and the replacement team will be added at the bottom.

2. ESL World Ranking Slots - Global
   a. The next team in line from the home region of the tournament in the ESL WR will receive an invitation to the tournament.
      i. The ESL WR at the time of the dropout will be used to determine the next team in line.
3. Local NC's / EEC Winner
   a. The next team in line from the local NC / EEC will receive an invitation to the tournament.

1 Week before the Tournament
In case a team drops out the following happens:

1. ESL will make it’s best efforts to follow the replacement guidelines above but will be able to replace a team by all available means to ensure a full tournament.

Additional rules:
If a main tournament invite team drops out of the tournament
1. Until 1 day before the start of the Play-In tournament the Play-In tournament will be re-seeded as the highest placed team from the EPT standings of the same region will be moved up to the main tournament, in case there is no additional team from the same region coming from the EPT standings the slot will go to the highest ranked ESL WR team in the Play-In.

If a play-in tournament invite team drops out of the tournament
1. Until 1 week before the start of the Play-In tournament the Play-In tournament will be re-seeded. After that the replacement team will replace the dropped team 1:1 in the tournament with no changes to the seeding.