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### **Esports are coming to London's Twickenham stadium with the FACEIT Minors for CS:GO in July**

- The entirety of this year's FACEIT CS:GO Major is taking place in London venues
- The Minors will be at Twickenham Stadium, with the Major at Wembley Arena
- Esports are taking over London this year, with multiple large scale tournaments

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London's Twickenham Stadium is known as the home of England rugby, but this July it will play host to esports events.

The FACEIT London Minors for Counter-Strike: Global Offensive will begin on July 7, where teams will compete for \$50,000 and to secure a place at the FACEIT London Major Challenger Stage.

The entire FACEIT Major cycle is taking place in London this summer, from the Open Qualifiers, to the Minors, to the \$1 million Major, which takes place at Wembley Arena in September.

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in the top six or not, I always said 'what defines the top six'?

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Rodgers believes everyone should remain wary of football turning into business amidst the ESL announcement.

## VIP and Premium tickets for the Major have already sold out, but **general admission tickets are still available**.



For this tournament, there will be more time between the Open Qualifiers and the Minors, and having all of the stages in London means there will be no visa issues for teams in the Minors which qualify for the Major.

There will also be less time between the Minors and the Major, which means there will be more consistency and roster stability for each of the teams, allowing them to focus on practice and producing the best tournament possible from a viewer standpoint.

Twickenham Stadium will be providing 24 hour practice rooms, two separate stages so there is less time spent setting up for each match. It will also provide a gym and an executive chef for the players.

'By hosting each stage of the tournament at Twickenham Stadium we're hoping to bring new life to the Minors,' said Michele Attisani, Co-Founder and Chief Business Officer of FACEIT. 'The Major should be a celebration of all things CS:GO, we want to bring teams together for the first time and make sure teams of all levels feel welcome and feel the Major experience.' Ilkay Gundogan recalls the moment he made his former Dortmund boss Jurgen Klopp 'REALLY ANGRY' and was told: 'do whatever the f\*\*\* you want to do'

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### Those who make it through the Minors will play at the Major in September, for 1,000,000

The North and South American Minors will be held from July 7-11, CIS from July 10-13, Asia from July 16-20, and Europe from July 19-22.

The open Qualifiers get under this week, running from May 14 until June 17. Any interested teams can register **here**.

Teams which make it through the open qualifiers will make it through to the Closed Qualifiers, where teams from NA (June 22-24), CIS (June 1-3), and Europe (June 29 - July 1) will compete against eight invited teams for the one spot for each regional Minor.

For Asia, six teams will go straight through to the Minor, while two South American teams will qualify for their regional Minor.

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