# Rainbow 6 Siege NSE Spring Championship 2020 Official Rules

In order for the tournaments to run fairly and smoothly we have issued the following rule book

Most problems you encounter on the night can be solved by talking to the opposing team's captain and a tournament admin as soon as the problem has arisen. It's always better to contact an admin if you are unsure than to leave it and the problem worsening. The earlier an admin can give you a ruling, the less likely it is to majorly impact your team.

All students are expected to follow the letter and spirit of the rules while competing. Deliberately breaking or avoiding the rules will result in harsher penalties. That said, mistakes can be made. If you become aware you or your team have unintentionally broken a rule, contact an admin as soon as possible.

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#### 1. Individual Eligibility and Team Rules

1.1. Institution Eligibility

In order for an institution to be eligible to compete in the Rainbow 6 Siege NSE Spring Championship, they must be a recognised provider of Higher Education (HE). Eligible institutions may compete as one institution or may compete as separate 'Playing Entities'. Each playing entity is required to fit into one of the following player models:

- 1.1.1. Main Campus playing as one entity.
- 1.1.2. Satellite Campus: Plays as a separate entity from the 'Main Campus' or other campuses of the same institution.
- 1.1.3. All eligible students of playing as 1 entity regardless of geographical spread/campuses, etc. (Similar to 1. Main Campus)
- 1.1.4. Further Education (FE) College offering Higher Education (HE) qualifications provided by another external awarding body.
- 1.1.5. Umbrella Campus/Organisation which is comprised of students from multiple HE awarding bodies.

Full list of playing entities can be found in Appendix A

### 1.2. Player Eligibility

- 1.2.1. In order for a student to be eligible to compete in NSE Spring Championship they must have met these requirements at during the 2018/19 academic year:
  - 1.2.1.1. Be a registered student at an institution of higher education that is currently entitled to participate in NSE Summer.
  - 1.2.1.2. Be registered on a credit rated course (e.g MSc ,Degree or HND) that is registered under CATS (Credit accumulation under CATS)
  - 1.2.1.3. Be undertaking a study programme equivalent to at least 60 credits per year, or in the case of a postgraduate student be undertaking a study programme of no less than 50% of the full time student programme
    - 1.2.1.3.1. A year will be taken as 12 months from the start date of their course.
  - 1.2.1.4. Be aged 18 years or older
    - 1.2.1.4.1. Students studying at HE institutions in Scotland will be eligible to compete from the age of 17.
  - 1.2.1.5. All participants are required to have a registered account on www.nse.gg
  - 1.2.1.6. Must have a EUW Uplay account associated with their <u>www.nse.gg</u> account.
    - 1.2.1.6.1. Offensive Uplay accounts names are not allowed. Whether an account name is considered offensive is at the sole discretion of the NSE Admin Team.
    - 1.2.1.6.2. Uplay account names may not contain sponsor or organisation names that are considered inappropriate by NSE staff or promote any of the following; gambling website, pornography, alcohol, tobacco or cigarettes or firearms. If unsure please contact a member of the NSE Admin Team.

#### 1.2.2. Ineligible Participants

The following students are ineligible to participate

- 1.2.2.1. Current members of the NSE Admin Team for Rainbow 6 Siege.

  Students who work with NSE in some other capacity e.g. casters or Admin team for non-Rainbow 6 Siege games may still compete.
- 1.2.2.2. Externally registered students, as determined by the University's Registrar, unless otherwise allowed in accordance with the playing entities being used by the institutions concerned.

### 1.2.3. Special Cases

1.2.3.1. A student satisfactorily finishing his/her course of study after the start of December will be eligible until the end of the academic year provided their institution still classifies them as a registered student .

- 1.2.3.2. A student embarking on a Sandwich Course and/or Year Abroad course is eligible provided the duration of the course is less than one year.
- 1.2.3.3. A student undertaking PhD study on a full time basis will be eligible to compete provided that their institution classifies them as a registered student.
- 1.2.4. Students may not compete for more than one academic institution in any one academic year

#### 1.3. Team Rules

## 1.3.1. Eligibility

- 1.3.1.1. Each team must have a designated captain who will be the primary point of contact for other teams and NSE staff. Captaincy can be reassigned during the season.
- 1.3.1.2. Team's rosters must consist of at least 5 students.
- 1.3.1.3. All students on a team must attend the same academic institution.

#### 1.3.2. Substitutions

- 1.3.2.1. Teams may play with any players listed on their roster. In a bo3 or bo5 match teams may substitute players between games.
- 1.3.2.2. Students may not play for more than one team in a single tournament night.
- 1.3.2.3. Each team should be selected as though the other teams would be playing in a match of equal importance at the same time. For example, if the first team does not have a match but the second team does, no players who would normally represent the first team are eligible to play for the second team.
- 1.3.2.4. Players may be added to teams at any time if it does not cause a delay to games starting.
- 1.3.3. Offensive team names are not allowed. Whether a team name is considered offensive is to be determined at the sole discretion of the NSE Admin Team.
- 1.3.4. Team names may not contain sponsor or organisation names that are considered inappropriate by NSE staff or promote any of the following; gambling website, pornography, alcohol, tobacco or cigarettes or firearms. If unsure please contact a member of the NSE Admin Team.
- 1.3.5. In the event a team splits into multiple teams the majority of the team has the right to any seeding, qualification spots or points earnt. If there is no new majority team no team inherits seeding, qualification spots or points earnt.

#### 1.4. Check in

- 1.4.1. Throughout the tournament there will be check in phases which require teams to check in. When check in is required the deadline will be at 6:30pm on match day.
- 1.4.2. Teams who do not check in by the deadline will not be entered into that stage's fixtures and will not earn any points for that stage.

#### 2. Match Rules

### 2.1. Setting:

Matches should be set up with the following settings

# 2.1.1. Settings

Playlist Type: Normal Mode Server Type: Dedicated Server

Voice Chat: Team Only Time of the Day: Day HUD Settings: Pro League

#### 2.1.2. Match settings

Number of Bans: 4 Ban Timer: 20

Number of Rounds: 12

Attacker/Defender role swap: 6

Overtime: 3 Rounds

Overtime score difference: 2 Overtime role change: 1

Objective Rotation Parameter: 2

Objective Type Rotation: Rounds Played

Attacker unique spawn: On

Pick Phase Timer: 15 6TH Pick Phase: On 6TH Pick Phase Timer: 15 Reveal Phase Timer: 5 Damage handicap: 100

Friendly fire damage: 100

Injured: 20 Sprint: On Lean: On

Death Replay: Off

### 2.1.3. Game Mode: TDM BOMB

Plant duration: 7
Defuse duration: 7
Fuse time: 45

Defuse Carrier Selection: On Preparation Phase Duration: 45 Action Phase Duration: 180

#### 2.2. Map Selection

### 2.2.1. Starting Side

In each match there is a "home team" and "away team". Team on the left hand side of the bracket is considered the home .

E.g. in the match "Universe 1 vs Universe A". Universe 1 is the home team and Universe A is the away team.

- 2.2.1.1. The team that does not pick the first map chooses whether you start on attack or defence on the 1st map.
- 2.2.1.2. After the first map the loser of the previous map will choose whether they want to start on attack or defence.
- 2.2.2. All games will take place using the following map pool:

Bank

Border

Club House

Consulate

Coastline

Kafe Dostovevsky

Villa

2.2.3. Map selection should be done using either through, dms with the opposing captain, in the custom lobby chat or with the website

https://www.mapban.eu/

2.2.3.1. For best of 1 matches (bo1):

Maps will be determined by teams taking turns to veto one map until only one map remains. The home team can choose who bans first. Only map not banned will be map to be played and the team that banned first has choice of sides.

2.2.3.2. For Best of 3 matches (bo3):

The home team (this will always be team on the left hand side of fixture) can elect to be Team A or Team B within the following process:

Team A bans 1 map

Team B bans 1 map

Team A picks the map for game 1 and Team B has side choice Team B picks the map for game 2 and Team A has side choice Team B bans 1 map.

Team A picks the third map and Team B has side choice

#### 2.2.4. Pauses

### 2.2.5. Rehosts

2.2.5.1. Games can be rehosted under the following conditions

2.2.5.1.1. High Ping

The ping limit for a match is 150 ms. If a player is over this value consistently the match should be rehosted. In the case the player has still a ping over 150 ms please take 3 screenshots over the course of 2

rounds and then contact the admin team immediately before finishing the match.

2.2.5.1.2. Technical issue player

If a player has a technical issue hardware or software related during the preparation phase they may request a rehost.

2.2.5.1.3. Ingame bug for example Game mechanic not working as intended (shooting, reloading, moving, gadgets, equipment, etc)

#### 2.2.5.2. Rehosting games

If a game is rehosted it should be continued from the start of the interrupted round with the same operators, same sixth pick, same starting sites, same bombsites, same equipment and same gadgets.

## 2.2.6. No show

- 2.2.6.1. Teams expected to arrive promptly to all games
- 2.2.6.2. All 5 players should be in the game server within 20 minutes of the scheduled start time or within 20 minutes of the previous round ending whichever is latest.

# 2.2.7. Submitting results

- 2.2.7.1. Both Teams are required to submit results after game ends
- 2.2.7.2. If neither team submits a result and teams cannot be contacted the higher seed will be awarded the victory.

## 3. Sportsmanship

- 3.1. Students are expected to uphold the principles of sportsmanship and fair play at all times during a tournament. Students who do not conform to these principles will be penalised. Additionally, it is a captain's responsibility to ensure their team behaves in a sporting manner.
- 3.2. The following are to be considered unfair play and not allowed in any form
  - 3.2.1. Hacking, any modification to game client.
  - 3.2.2. Exploiting, intentional use of ingame bug to gain an advantage.
  - 3.2.3. 'Ringing', i.e. playing using another player's account or using a player not eligible to compete.
  - 3.2.4. Use of any cheat program.

- 3.2.5. Collusion as defined by cooperation or conspiracy to cheat others. This includes but is not limited to:
  - 3.2.5.1. Soft play, an agreement among players to not play to a reasonable standard of competition in a game.
  - 3.2.5.2. Prearranging to split prizes with other teams.
  - 3.2.5.3. Intentionally losing a game
- 3.2.6. Illegal pause, use of pause for any reason not specified in Section 2 of this document titled "Match rules".
- 3.3. Harassment of other students is not allowed this includes but is not limited to:
  - 3.3.1. Verbal abuse, this covers any offensive communication in game lobbies or in game .
  - 3.3.2. Any use of racist, sexist, homophobic or other discriminatory language.
  - 3.3.3. Any implied or direct threats to other students.
  - 3.3.4. In game trolling, use of in game features to intentionally reduce the quality of game experience of other students in the game.
- 3.4. Any student or team found to have engaged in or attempted to engage in any act that NSE believes constitutes unfair play or poor sportsmanship, will be subject to penalty. Penalties issued by the NSE Admin team may include but are not limited to:
  - 3.4.1. Loss of one or more ban in future games
  - 3.4.2. Formal warning
  - 3.4.3. Forfeit of a single game/map
  - 3.4.4. Forfeit of full match/series
  - 3.4.5. Temporary suspension of a student
  - 3.4.6. Lifetime ban of a student
  - 3.4.7. Forfeiture of points earnt or qualification spots
  - 3.4.8. Forfeiture of prizes
  - 3.4.9. Disqualification of a team from a tournament
  - 3.4.10. Disqualification of a team from NSE Spring Championship.
  - 3.4.11. Suspension of the team from future tournaments and championships

# 4. Rules for live events

- 4.1. For practical reasons the rules laid out in this rulebook may not apply to live events. For this reason live events may be subject to additional and/or different rules which will be provided to students attending live events. These may include but not limited to:
  - adjusted late and no show penalties
  - additional rules regarding usage of peripherals
  - adjusted rules regarding setting up of game lobbies
  - adjusted rules regarding streaming rights
- 4.2. If a team is unable to attend Live final their spot will be forfeited and 3rd place team will instead take their place
- 5. Prizes

- 5.1. All prizes will be sent to the captain of the respective team and it is the captain's responsibility to distribute the prizes among their team. In the event the listed captain is unable to fulfill this role, a member of the respective team should contact NSE staff.
- 5.2. Prizes are to be distributed evenly among the starting lineup of a team. It is at the team's discretion to further distribute a portion of the prizes among the team's substitutes.

### 6. Enforcement of Rules

- 6.1. In the event a dispute cannot be resolved between teams, contact the NSE Admin Team and provide relevant match media e.g. chat logs/screenshots, where possible.
- 6.2. All decisions regarding the interpretation and enforcement of these rules is at the sole discretion of the NSE Admin Team, whose decisions are final.
- 6.3. These rules may be amended, changed or supplemented when required by the NSE Admin Team to ensure fair play and competitive integrity.

# **Appendix A Playing Entities**

Below is a list of currently recognised Playing Entities. If you are a member of a institution that should be recognised please contact NSE staff.

Aberystwyth University

AECC University College

Anglia Ruskin University

Aston University

Bangor University

Bath Spa University

Birmingham City University

Bishop Burton College

Bishop Grosseteste University

Bournemouth University

**BPP University Ltd** 

Bridgwater & Taunton College

Brooksby Melton College

**Brunel University** 

Buckinghamshire New University

Canterbury Christ Church University

Cardiff Metropolitan University

**Cardiff University** 

City of Glasgow College

City of Liverpool College

City, University of London

Coventry University

Cranfield University

De Montfort University

Doncaster College and University Centre

Dundee & Angus College

**Durham University** 

Easton & Otley College

Edge Hill University

Edinburgh College

Edinburgh Napier University

FXU (Falmouth & Exeter Student's Union)

Glasgow Caledonian University

Glasgow Clyde College

Glasgow Kelvin College

Goldsmiths, University of London

Harper Adams University

Hartpury University Centre

Heriot-Watt University

Imperial College London

Keele University

King's College London

Kingston University

Lancaster University

Leeds Arts University

Leeds Beckett University

Leeds City College

Leeds Trinity University

Liverpool Hope University

Liverpool John Moores University

London Metropolitan University

London School of Economics

London South Bank University

Loughborough University

Manchester Metropolitan University

Middlesex University

New College Lanarkshire

**Newcastle University** 

Newman University

North East Scotland College

Northampton College

Northumbria University

Nottingham Trent University

Oxford Brookes University

Oxford University

Plymouth Marjon University

Queen Margaret University

Queen Mary University of London

Queen's University Belfast

Ravensbourne

Reading University

Richmond The American International University in London

Robert Gordon University

Roehampton University

Royal Agricultural University

Royal Holloway, University of London

Royal Veterinary College

School of Oriental and African Studies

Sheffield Hallam University

Solent University

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College

St George's, University of London

St Mary's University

Staffordshire University

Swansea University

Teesside University

Tottenham Hotspur Foundation

**UCFB Manchester** 

**UCFB** 

**Ulster University** 

Universities at Medway

University Campus Barnsley

University College Birmingham

University College London

University for the Creative Arts, Surrey

University of Aberdeen

University of Abertay Dundee

University of Bath

University of Bedfordshire

University of Birmingham

University of Bolton

University of Bradford

University of Brighton

University of Bristol

University of Cambridge

University of Central Lancashire

University of Chester

University of Chichester

University of Cumbria

University of Derby

University of Dundee

University of East Anglia

University of East London

University of Edinburgh

University of Essex

University of Exeter

University of Glasgow

University of Gloucestershire

University of Greenwich

University of Hertfordshire

University of Huddersfield

University of Hull

University of Kent

University of Leeds

University of Leicester

University of Lincoln

University of Liverpool

University of London

University of Manchester

University of Northampton

University of Nottingham

University of Plymouth

University of Portsmouth

University of Salford

University of Sheffield

University of South Wales

University of Southampton

University of St Andrews

University of Stirling

University of Strathclyde

University of Suffolk

University of Sunderland

University of Surrey

University of Sussex

University of the Arts London

University of the Highlands and Islands

University of the West of England (UWE)

University of the West of Scotland

University of Wales Trinity St David Carmarthen

University of Wales Trinity St David Lampeter

University of Wales Trinity St David Swansea

University of Warwick

University of West London

University of Westminster

University of Winchester
University of Wolverhampton
University of Worcester
University of York
Wakefield College
West College Scotland
West Lothian College
Wrexham Glyndwr University
Writtle University College
York St John University