Texas Hold'em Tournament Sample Betting Structure

No-Limit Tournament Structure							
Level	Small Blind	Big Blind	Time				
1	25	50	30 Minutes				
2	50	100	30 Minutes				
3	75	150	30 Minutes				
Break - 15 Minutes							
4	100	200	30 Minutes				
5	150	300	30 Minutes				
6	200	400	30 Minutes				
Break - 15 Minutes							
7	250	500	30 Minutes				
8	300	600	30 Minutes				
9	350	700	30 Minutes				
Break - 15 Minutes - Remove \$25 Chips							
10	400	800	30 Minutes				
11	500	1000	30 Minutes				
12	600	1200	30 Minutes				
Break - 30 Minutes							
13	700	1400	30 Minutes				
14	800	1600	30 Minutes				
15	1000	2000	30 Minutes				
Break - 15 Minutes							
16	1200	2400	30 Minutes				
17	1500	3000	30 Minutes				

This is a sample betting structure that should produce an 8-10 hour tournament.

The starting stack consists of three colours as designated. The fourth colour should be available for "colouring up". In this case designated as 1000.

1500 chip starting stack examples

25 - 12 chips		25 - 16 chips		25 - 20 chips
100 - 7 chips	or	100 - 6 chips	or	100 - 5 chips
500 - 1 chip		500 - 1 chip		500 - 1 chip
20 chips		23 chips		26 chips

Colouring Up

At designated times lower value chips will be removed from the table and "coloured up" to a higher value. This will be done by the table managers under the supervision of the chairperson. A 50% rule will be followed - if a player has a portion of a higher value chip remaining a 50% rule shall be followed - if the remainder is 50% or more than the higher value chip the player will recieve a higher value chip for the remainder. If it is less than 50% the player will lose the remainder.