

# selnolig-english-test

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Appearance of “common” ligatures    ff    fi    fl    ffi    ffl    ft    fj    fk    fr  
 Sample words with these ligatures    off    fit    fly    office    baffle    often    fjord    Kafka    from

Appearance of “discretionary” (“rare”) ligatures    st    ct    sp    as    es    is, th, us    at    et    sk    ll    ij, st, ta  
 Sample words with these ligatures            stay    act    spy    was    sees    isthmus    cat    net    ask    ill    rijsttafel

Package options and other parameters:  
 Extent of suppressing f-ligatures: basic or broadf?    broadf  
 Value of \righthyphenmin parameter                            3

## Part 1: Basic set of f-ligatures suppression rules

- ff to ff  
shelfful shelffuls bookshelfful selffulfilling
- fi to fi  
(None in basic set)
- fl to fl  
beeless briefless hoofless leafless roofless selfless turfless selflessly selflessness  
calflike dwarflike elflike gulflike hooflike leaflike rooflike serflike sheaflike shelflike surflike turflike waiflike wolflike  
halfife shelfife halfives shelfives  
halfline roofline halfines rooflines  
leaflet leaflets leafleted leafletting leafletting leafletted leafleteer  
pdflatex (even better: pdfLaTeX or pdfL<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X)
- ffi to ffi  
Pfaffian Wolffian Wulfian
- ffl to ffl  
cuffless stuffless cufflessly stufflessness  
scofflaw scofflaws cufflink cufflinks

- offline  
offload offloads offloading offloaded  
rufflike clifflike
- ffi to ffi  
chaffinch chaffinches wolfish wolfishly
- ffl to ffl  
safflower
- ft to ft  
chieftain chieftaincy chieftaincies chieftainship chief-tainships  
halftime halftone halftimes halftones  
rooftop rooftops rooftree rooftrees  
wolftrap calftap leaftrap offtrack  
fifth fifths fifthly twelfth twelfths
- fr to fr (italic font shape only)  
proofread proofreader proofroom
- fb, fh, fj, and fk ligatures  
halfback golfball goofball wolfberry halfbeak hoofbeat  
surfbird surfboard surfboarder surfboat  
halfhearted selfheal leafhopper selfhood serfhood  
wolfhound  
offbeat puffball snuffbox  
cliffhanger offhand offhanded offhandedly

cliffjumper

offkey

but: Kafka, Sognefjord, Dovrefjell

## Part 2: Further f-ligatures suppressed if “broadf” option is set

- ff to ff

(No extra cases in broadf set)

- fi to fi

elfin

chafing lea<sup>1</sup>ving loa<sup>1</sup>ving shea<sup>1</sup>ving stra<sup>1</sup>ving vouchsa<sup>1</sup>ving  
bee<sup>1</sup>ving ree<sup>1</sup>ving bree<sup>1</sup>ving debree<sup>1</sup>ving coif<sup>1</sup>ving fif<sup>1</sup>ving jack<sup>1</sup>  
knif<sup>1</sup>ving knif<sup>1</sup>ving midwif<sup>1</sup>ving waif<sup>1</sup>ving wif<sup>1</sup>ving

airproof<sup>1</sup>ing childproof<sup>1</sup>ing fireproof<sup>1</sup>ing flameproof<sup>1</sup>ing  
mothproof<sup>1</sup>ing rustproof<sup>1</sup>ing soundproof<sup>1</sup>ing water<sup>1</sup>  
proof<sup>1</sup>ing weatherproof<sup>1</sup>ing proof<sup>1</sup>ing

goof<sup>1</sup>ing hoof<sup>1</sup>ing re<sup>1</sup>roof<sup>1</sup>ing roof<sup>1</sup>ing spoof<sup>1</sup>ing whoof<sup>1</sup>ing  
woof<sup>1</sup>ing

be<sup>1</sup>gulf<sup>1</sup>ing engulf<sup>1</sup>ing ingulf<sup>1</sup>ing gulf<sup>1</sup>ing golf<sup>1</sup>ing rolf<sup>1</sup>ing  
self<sup>1</sup>ing wolf<sup>1</sup>ing barf<sup>1</sup>ing

bedwarf<sup>1</sup>ing dwarf<sup>1</sup>ing enserf<sup>1</sup>ing kerf<sup>1</sup>ing scarf<sup>1</sup>ing snarf<sup>1</sup>  
ing surf<sup>1</sup>ing turf<sup>1</sup>ing wharf<sup>1</sup>ing windsurf<sup>1</sup>ing

deaf<sup>1</sup>ish dwarf<sup>1</sup>ish elf<sup>1</sup>ish oaf<sup>1</sup>ish self<sup>1</sup>ish serf<sup>1</sup>ish unself<sup>1</sup>ish  
wolf<sup>1</sup>ish

deaf<sup>1</sup>ishly dwarf<sup>1</sup>ishly elf<sup>1</sup>ishly oaf<sup>1</sup>ishly self<sup>1</sup>ishly serf<sup>1</sup>ishly  
unself<sup>1</sup>ishly wolf<sup>1</sup>ishly

deaf<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness dwarf<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness elf<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness oaf<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness self<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>  
ness serf<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness unself<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness wolf<sup>1</sup>ish<sup>1</sup>ness

bee<sup>1</sup>fier com<sup>1</sup>fier goo<sup>1</sup>fier gulf<sup>1</sup>ier lea<sup>1</sup>fier sur<sup>1</sup>fier tur<sup>1</sup>fier

bee<sup>1</sup>fiest com<sup>1</sup>fiest goo<sup>1</sup>fiest gulf<sup>1</sup>iest lea<sup>1</sup>fiest sur<sup>1</sup>fiest tur<sup>1</sup>fi<sup>1</sup>  
est

bee<sup>1</sup>fily goo<sup>1</sup>fily goo<sup>1</sup>fi<sup>1</sup>ness

- fl to fl

aloof<sup>1</sup>ly brief<sup>1</sup>ly chief<sup>1</sup>ly deaf<sup>1</sup>ly lief<sup>1</sup>ly

- ffi to ffi

baff<sup>1</sup>ing biff<sup>1</sup>ing outbuff<sup>1</sup>ing bluff<sup>1</sup>ing boff<sup>1</sup>ing buff<sup>1</sup>ing  
chaff<sup>1</sup>ing cheff<sup>1</sup>ing chuff<sup>1</sup>ing coff<sup>1</sup>ing coiff<sup>1</sup>ing handcuff<sup>1</sup>ing  
uncuff<sup>1</sup>ing cuff<sup>1</sup>ing daff<sup>1</sup>ing doff<sup>1</sup>ing enfeoff<sup>1</sup>ing infeoff<sup>1</sup>ing  
feoff<sup>1</sup>ing fluff<sup>1</sup>ing gaff<sup>1</sup>ing gruff<sup>1</sup>ing huff<sup>1</sup>ing luff<sup>1</sup>ing miff<sup>1</sup>  
ing muff<sup>1</sup>ing off<sup>1</sup>ing piaff<sup>1</sup>ing puff<sup>1</sup>ing quaff<sup>1</sup>ing rebuff<sup>1</sup>ing  
reff<sup>1</sup>ing re<sup>1</sup>staff<sup>1</sup>ing re<sup>1</sup>stuff<sup>1</sup>ing ruff<sup>1</sup>ing crossruff<sup>1</sup>ing over<sup>1</sup>  
ruff<sup>1</sup>ing under<sup>1</sup>ruff<sup>1</sup>ing ruff<sup>1</sup>ing sclaff<sup>1</sup>ing scoff<sup>1</sup>ing scuff<sup>1</sup>ing  
shroff<sup>1</sup>ing sluff<sup>1</sup>ing snuff<sup>1</sup>ing snuff<sup>1</sup>ing spiff<sup>1</sup>ing over<sup>1</sup>staff<sup>1</sup>  
ing under<sup>1</sup>staff<sup>1</sup>ing staff<sup>1</sup>ing stiff<sup>1</sup>ing over<sup>1</sup>stuff<sup>1</sup>ing stuff<sup>1</sup>ing  
tariff<sup>1</sup>ing tiff<sup>1</sup>ing waff<sup>1</sup>ing whiff<sup>1</sup>ing yaff<sup>1</sup>ing

draff<sup>1</sup>ish giraff<sup>1</sup>ish gruff<sup>1</sup>ish off<sup>1</sup>ish raff<sup>1</sup>ish sniff<sup>1</sup>ish stand<sup>1</sup>  
off<sup>1</sup>ish stiff<sup>1</sup>ish toff<sup>1</sup>ish

draff<sup>1</sup>ishly giraff<sup>1</sup>ishly raff<sup>1</sup>ishly

buff<sup>1</sup>ier chaff<sup>1</sup>ier chuff<sup>1</sup>ier cliff<sup>1</sup>ier daff<sup>1</sup>ier fluff<sup>1</sup>ier gruff<sup>1</sup>ier  
huff<sup>1</sup>ier iff<sup>1</sup>ier miff<sup>1</sup>ier puff<sup>1</sup>ier scruff<sup>1</sup>ier sniff<sup>1</sup>ier snuff<sup>1</sup>ier  
spiff<sup>1</sup>ier stuff<sup>1</sup>ier

buff<sup>1</sup>iest chaff<sup>1</sup>iest chuff<sup>1</sup>iest cliff<sup>1</sup>iest daff<sup>1</sup>iest fluff<sup>1</sup>iest  
gruff<sup>1</sup>iest huff<sup>1</sup>iest iff<sup>1</sup>iest miff<sup>1</sup>iest puff<sup>1</sup>iest scruff<sup>1</sup>iest sniff<sup>1</sup>  
iest snuff<sup>1</sup>iest spiff<sup>1</sup>iest stuff<sup>1</sup>iest

daff<sup>1</sup>ily fluff<sup>1</sup>ily gruff<sup>1</sup>ily huff<sup>1</sup>ily puff<sup>1</sup>ily scruff<sup>1</sup>ily sniff<sup>1</sup>ily  
snuff<sup>1</sup>ily spiff<sup>1</sup>ily stuff<sup>1</sup>ily

fluff<sup>1</sup>iness huff<sup>1</sup>iness iff<sup>1</sup>iness puff<sup>1</sup>iness scruff<sup>1</sup>iness sniff<sup>1</sup>  
iness spiff<sup>1</sup>iness stuff<sup>1</sup>iness

baff<sup>1</sup>ies biff<sup>1</sup>ies jiff<sup>1</sup>ies stuff<sup>1</sup>ies taff<sup>1</sup>ies toff<sup>1</sup>ies waff<sup>1</sup>ie waff<sup>1</sup>ies

- ffl to ffl

bluff<sup>1</sup>ly gruff<sup>1</sup>ly ruff<sup>1</sup>ly snuff<sup>1</sup>ly stiff<sup>1</sup>ly

- ffi to ffi

(No extra cases in broadf set)

- ffl to ffl

(No extra cases in broadf set)

- ft to ft

fifty fifty<sup>1</sup>ish

fifties fiftieth fiftieths

fifteen fifteens fifteenth fifteenths

## Part 3: Ligatures suppressed if “hdlig” option is set

- ct to ct

arctangent coarctation

- st to st

First reason: “th” (from  $\theta$  or  $\vartheta$ ) after “s”:

asthma isthmus aesthetic

Esther

Second reason: avoid instances of st spanning a mor<sup>1</sup>  
pHEME boundary

painstaker painstaking dogstail crosstalk gastight

distasteful distemperate distended distort distract dis<sup>1</sup>  
traught distribute distributed distribution distrust  
disturb

but: distant distillation district

mistrust mistake mistaken

Maastricht

Charlestown crosstown

*And, do not suppress the *ſ* ligature for* castle fore-  
castle, nestle wrestle, bristle bristletail distelfink epistle  
glisten gristle listen mistletoe thistle whistle, apostle  
jostle, bustle hustle rustle

- *ſ* p to sp

First reason: “ph” (from *φ* or *ϕ*) after “s”:

asphalt asphodel asphyxiate blaspheme blasphemy  
dysphagia dysphonia dysphoria sphagnum sphinx  
atmosphere bathysphere biosphere blogosphere eco-  
sphere exosphere hemisphere hydrosphere ionosphere  
magnetosphere stratosphere  
spherical sphericity spheroid  
phosphorous phosphates phosphorescent

Second reason: don’t cross morpheme boundaries

clothespin clothespress

passport

businesspeople congresspeople craftspeople dispeople  
newspeople salespeople spokespeople townspeople  
tradespeople tribespeople

businessperson congressperson craftsperson draftsper-  
son newsperson salesperson spokesperson

transpacific transparent transpersonal transpierce  
transplant transplacental transpolar transport trans-  
pose transposon

(but: transpicious transpire transponder)

(also: respond despondent correspond correspond)

trespass trespassing

cisplatin

disparage disparaged disparagement disparagements  
disparager disparagers disparages disparaging dispar-  
agingly

disparate disparately disparateness disparatenesses

disparities disparity dispart disparted disparting dis-  
parts

dispassion dispassionate dispassionately dispassionate-  
ness dispassionatenesses dispassions

dispatch dispatched dispatcher dispatchers dispatches  
dispatching

dispel dispelled dispelling dispels

dispend dispended dispending dispends dispensabili-  
ties dispensability dispensable dispensaries dispensary  
dispensation dispensational dispensations dispen-  
satories dispensatory dispense dispensed dispenser  
dispensers dispenses dispensing

dispeople dispeopled dispeoples dispeopling

displace displaceable displaced displacement displace-  
ments displaces displacing

displant displanted displanting displants

display displayable displayed displaying displays

displease displeased displeases displeasing displeasure  
displeasures

displode disploded displodes disploding displasion  
displasions

displume displumed displumes displuming

disport disported disporting disportment disport-  
ments disports

disposabilities disposability disposable disposables  
disposal disposals dispose disposed disposer disposers  
disposes disposing

disposition dispositional dispositions dispositive

dispossess dispossessed dispossesses dispossessing dis-  
possession dispossessions dispossessor dispossessors

disposure disposures

dispraise dispraised dispraiser dispraisers dispraises  
dispraising dispraisingly

disprize disprized disprizes disprizing

disproof disproofs

disproportion disproportional disproportionate dis-  
proportionated disproportionately disproportionates  
disproportionating disproportionation disproportion-  
ations disproportioned disproportioning dispropor-  
tions

disprovable disprove disproved disproven disproves  
disproving

disputable disputably disputant disputants disputa-  
tion disputations disputatious disputatiously disputa-  
tiousness disputatiousnesses dispute disputed disputer  
disputers disputes disputing

espresso (— from ex and press, right?!)

indispensabilities indispensability indispensable in-  
dispensableness indispensablenesses indispensables  
indispensably

indispose indisposed indisposes indisposing indisposi-  
tion indispositions

indisputable indisputableness indisputablenesses in-  
disputably

misperception misphrase misplace misplant misplay  
misprice misprint mispronounce

predispose predisposed predisposes predisposing pre-  
disposition predispositions

redisplay redisplayed redisplaying redisplays

redispose redispersed redispenses redispersing redispotion redispotions  
 undisputable undisputed  
 suspend suspended suspends suspension  
*but*: dispersal dispersals dispersant dispersants disperse dispersed dispersedly disperser dispersers disperses dispersible dispersing dispersion dispersions dispersive dispersively dispersiveness dispersivenesses  
 dispersoid dispersoids  
 dispirit dispirited dispiritedly dispiritedness dispirit-ednesses dispiriting dispirits  
 dispiteous  
 dispread dispreading dispreads  
 monodisperse nondispersive  
 polydisperse polydispersities polydispersity

Note: The test words in the remainder of this document are generally set in *italics* because the text font that's used by the "driver" program, *selnolig-english-test.tex*, does not feature the applicable ligatures in the upright font shape.

- *th* to *th*

*bathouse boathouse cathouse courthouse guesthouse hot-house lighthouse nuthouse oasthouse outhouse penthouse pesthouse pilothouse pothouse*  
*bolthead cathead fathead flathead gilthead hotthead lightheaded masthead meathead pithead pothead print-head softhead softheaded*  
*fainthearted greathearted lighthearted softhearted stout-hearted sweetheart sweethearts*  
*adulthood aunthood knighthood parenthood priesthood prophet-hood sainthood servanthood*  
*bolthole knothole porthole pothole pesthole pothole rat-hole*  
*boathook meathook pothook*  
*foothold potholder roothold*  
*anthill foothill*  
*goatherd neatherd*  
*outhaul outhear outhit outhomer outhowl outhumor outhunt outhustle*  
*shorthair shorthanded shorthorn*  
*antiapartheid apartheid dustheap firsthand nighthawk postharvest*  
*posthumous posthumously*  
*pothunt warthog*  
*watthour kilowatthour*  
*Gotthard*

- *at* to *at*

*anathema aromatherapy intrathoracic metathesis ultra-thin ultrathick*

- *et* to *et*

*ninetieth ninetieths ninety nineteen*  
*nametag*  
*betake betatter betray betroth*  
*bluetooth*  
*detach detain detail*  
*detect undetectable detective*  
*detent detention detest*  
*detract detrain detribalize detriment detritus*  
*bristletail dovetail horsetail*  
*cheetah chetah caretaker*  
*foretell fortunetelling*  
*detergent deteriorate determent determinant*  
*preterm pretext*  
*retext teletext*  
*bluetick detick*  
*betide yuletide*  
*betime beforetime lifetime peacetime sometime*  
*detrain drivetrain houstrain pretrain retrain*  
*firetrap livetrapp mousetrap*  
*axletree saddletree shoetree*  
*timetable*  
*preteen pretend pretence pretense pretentious pretest pre-text prettling*  
*pretreat pretrim pretorial*  
*retag retape retake reteach retie retile retime retint retire retiring retitle retrace retrack retract retrans retrans-mit retread retreat retrench retrieve retribution retries retrim retune*  
*return unreturnable*  
*entirety surety safety*  
*entireties sureties safeties (EB Garadmond for "es!")*  
*archetype archetypal*  
*subtlety teletype teletypewriter*

- *as* to *as*

*teaspoon infrastructure seastrand*  
*infraspecific intraspecies intraspecific*  
*ultrasound ultrasophisticated*

- *es* to *es* (EB Garamond)

*loftiest scariest funniest* (lots of words ending in “iest”)

*es*trange *es*tate *es*tablish

but: *tres*pass

- *is* to *is*

Lots of words starting with “anti...”: *antis*ag *anti*-satellite *anti*science *anti*secrecy *anti*sense *anti*septic *anti*shark *anti*ship *anti*shock *anti*skid *anti*slavery *anti*slip *anti*smog *anti*smoke *anti*smuggling *anti*smut *anti*social *anti*solar *anti*spasmodic *anti*speculative *anti*static *anti*slick *anti*stress *anti*strike *anti*submarine *anti*subversion *anti*symmetric *anti*syphilitic

but: *mant*issa, *gigant*ism, *sycophant*ism, *sycophant*ish

- *sk* to *sk* (EB Garamond)

*green*skeeper *ground*skeeper

*triska*dekaphobia *rath*skeller

*mis*keep *mis*kept *mis*kick *mis*know

*Cat*skills *Peek*skill

- *ll* to *ll*

*anim*allike *bow*llike *eell*ike *jew*llike *owl*like *pet*allike *se*allike *snail*like *soul*like *tail*like *tun*llike *veill*ike *wool*-like

*bow*lless *coal*less *goal*less *bee*lless *idea*lless *kee*lless *mail*-less *meal*less *recoil*less *skill*less *skill*lessness *skill*lessnesses *soil*less *soul*less *soul*lessly *soul*lessness *soul*lessnesses *tail*less *tool*less *trail*less *wheel*less

- *ij* to *ij*

*anti*jam *hi*jack *de*mijohns *hi*jinks

*tri*jet *tri*jets

*bi*jection *bi*jective

*bi*jou *bi*jouterie

*ga*ijin

*ji*pjapa *ma*rjjuana *fri*joles

but: *mijn*beer, *de* Bruijn, *rij*stafel (from Dutch)

## Part 4: Cases where one ligature pre-empted the use of a subsequent ligature

Cases of *as*, *es*, *is*, and *us* ligatures pre-empting use of *st* ligature

- *as* pre-empting *st*

*abre*ast *ag*hast *alaba*ster *anti*pa<sup>st</sup>o *a*stern *a*stir *a*stomish *a*stound *a*stride *a*stringent *a*stronomy *a*stute *a*vast

*ba*stard *ba*ste *be*ast *bla*st *boa*st *break*fast *bre*ast

*ca*st *ca*ste *coa*st *cata*strophe *cha*ste *coa*st *contra*st

*de*va<sup>st</sup>ate *di*sa<sup>st</sup>er *dra*stic *dyna*sty

*ea*st *ecclesi*ast<sup>ic</sup> *fa*st *fa*sten *fea*st *fore*cast

*gha*stly *ga*stronomy *gymna*stics *ha*ste *lamba*st *la*st *lea*st

*ma*st *ma*ster *mega*star *meta*stable *na*sty *oa*st *oa*sthouse

*pa*st *pa*sta *pa*stel *pa*stor *pa*steu<sup>ri</sup>ze *pla*stic *roa*st

*schola*stic *spa*stic *stead*fast *sto*chastic *toa*st *up*cast *wa*ste *yea*st

- *es* pre-empting *st*

*es*tablish *es*tate *es*teem *es*ter *es*trange *es*tuary

- *is* pre-empting *st*

*fi*st *gi*st *gr*ist *he*ist *li*st *mi*st

*admini*ster *sta*tistics *sta*tistically

plus, *hundreds* of words ending in -ist: *acti*vist *agronomi*st *biologi*st etc.

but: *mist*hink *mist*hrow *calisthenic*

- *us* pre-empting *st*

*bu*st *cr*ust *dis*gust *du*st *ex*haust *jou*st *ju*st *lu*st *mu*st *ou*st *ru*st *thru*st *wander*lust

Cases of *at* and *et* ligatures pre-empting a *th* ligature

- *at* ligature pre-empting the *th* ligature

*ba*th *ma*th *la*th *lat*he *pa*th

*athe*ism *athe*lete

*bene*ath *beque*ath *blat*her *bre*ath

*cath*arsis *cath*eter *cath*ode *cath*olic *cath*olicism

*de*ath *em*pathy *fa*ther *fa*thom *fea*ther

*ga*ther *he*ath *he*athen *lo*ath

*ma*rathon *oa*th *pa*thetic *pa*thology

*ra*ther *rath*skeller

*scat*he *she*ath *slat*her *stra*th *sw*ath

*tri*athlon *tri*athlete *we*ather *wra*th *wre*ath

Words for which the *at* ligature need not be suppressed in favor of the *th* ligature: *ba*thouse *boa*thouse *ca*thouse *boa*thook *mea*thook *goa*therd *nea*therd *ca*thead *fa*thead *fla*thead *mea*thead *ra*thole *grea*thearted

- *et* ligature preempting the *th* ligature  
*bethank bethink bethorn bethought bethump*  
*dethrone doublethink firethorn flamethrower fore-*  
*thought freethinker methinks nonetheless nonethical*  
*rethink rethread something whitethroat*  
*twentieth thirtieth fortieth fiftieth sixtieth seventieth*  
*eighetieth ninetieth hundreth*  
*amethyst bellwether brethren ethical ethane ether ethnic*  
*ethyl lethal lethargic methadone method plethora seethe*  
*teeth teethe tether together urethane*

Words for which *et*-ligature needn't be suppressed:  
*Beethoven prophethood sweetheart sweethearts*

### Cases of *as-*, *es-*, *is-*, and *us-* ligatures preempting use of *ʃp*-ligature

*asparagus aspidistra aspect aspire Casper Caspar clasp gasp*  
*grasp hasp Jasper rasp raspberry wasp* (but what to do about *asp*?)  
*megaspores tetraspore*  
*archesporia bespake bespatter bespeak bespoke bespoke be-*  
*sprinkle*  
*espy espied espionage counterespionage*  
*despair desperation desperado despise despite*  
*especially esplanade espouse*  
*finespun homespun gelandesprung*  
*prespecified*  
*respell respire respiratory respect disrespect doublespeak re-*  
*spray respring tablespoon*

but: *clothespin clothespress despot salespeople spokesperson*  
*trespass*

*crisp lisps whisper wisps*

but: *disparity dispart mispackage misplace*  
*cusps tricuspid, auspicious suspect suspicious*

but: *suspend suspense suspension etc.*

### Cases of an *et* ligature preempting a *ta* ligature

Note: It appears to be the case that in all instances for which an *et* ligature should be suppressed in favor of a subsequent *ta* ligature, the *et* ligature spans a morpheme boundary and hence shouldn't be used anyway. Some examples:

*betake betatter bristletail caretaker cheetah detach detail detain*  
*dovetail foretaste horsetail nametag pretake pretape pretaſte*  
*pretax retable retack retag retape retake retaliate retard retar-*  
*get whitetail wiretap*

Note that the *et*-ligature should not be suppressed globally in favor of a subsequent *ta* ligature because of the following groups of words:

- Words ending in *-etary*: *budgetary dietary monetary*  
*planetary proprietary secretary*
- Words ending in *-etable*: *covetable depletable getable*  
*interpretable marketable pocketable vegetable* (but:  
*retable, timetable*)
- Words ending in *-etal*: *centripetal metal petal skeletal*  
*societal varietal vegetal*
- Words containing metal: *metal metallic metallurgy*