



Local Legend Duelist Series Finals 2018

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Basic Information

What are LLDS Finals?

LLDS Finals are Tier 2 tournaments in which Duelists compete to the title of LLDS 2018 Winner, along with exclusive prizes. Participants in LLDS Finals are held to the highest standards of sportsmanship and are expected to be fully prepared for the event.

Where and when are the LLDS Finals?

A list of dates and locations for currently scheduled LLDS Final events can be found online at www.yugioh-card.com (section "Events").

How much does it cost to enter a LLDS Final?

The entry fee for LLDS Finals lies between EUR 4 and EUR 8 (or local equivalent). For your entry fee, you will receive 1 to 2 booster packs of the latest Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME booster set (1 pack per 4 EUR or local equivalent).

Who can participate in a LLDS Final tournament?

LLDS Finals require an invite to participate, a list of invites can be found online at www.yugioh-card.com (section "Events").

- LLDS Finals are open to all invited players whether they are a resident in that country or not
- Players who are suspended from official Yu-Gi-Oh! Organized Play cannot participate in LLDS Finals, attend the venue, or apply to staff the event. A list of suspended players can be found at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/>
- Tournament Organisers retain the right to refuse entry to players who have engaged in criminal behaviour, such as theft or violent conduct

What is the format for LLDS Final tournaments?

LLDS Final tournaments are Advanced Constructed events, which mean each Duelist must bring his or her own Deck to compete. Decks must be constructed according to the latest Advanced Format guidelines (Please check the "Limited and Forbidden Cards" section of www.yugioh-card.com for more information).

LLDS Finals will be run using Swiss Format, which means all Duelists will play a set number of rounds determined by the number of Duelists enrolled in the tournament. Duelists are not eliminated during the event.

Swiss Rounds for the 2018 LLDS Final Season

Swiss Rounds for the 2018 LLDS Final Season Number of Participants*	Number of Swiss Rounds
4 – 8	3 Rounds of Swiss
9 – 16	4 Rounds of Swiss
17 – 32	5 Rounds of Swiss
33 – 64	6 Rounds of Swiss
65 – 128	7 Rounds of Swiss
129 – 256	8 Rounds of Swiss
257 – 512	9 Rounds of Swiss
513 – 1024	10 Rounds of Swiss
1025 – 2048	11 Rounds of Swiss
2049 or more	12 Rounds of Swiss

After those Swiss rounds, there will be a top cut made (depending on attendance), who will continue to play in single elimination mode.

Can I play in more than one LLDS Final?

Duelists can compete in any LLDS Final, **however they may only compete in one LLDS Final in 2018.**

Competing in more than one LLDS Final is a violation. Doing so may result in penalties, such as suspension from the KDE Organised Play Programs.

I would like to provide feedback to Konami concerning the LLDS Final I attended, who should I contact?

If you attended one of our LLDS Finals and would like to send us feedback, you are welcome to send us an e-mail to yugioh@konami-europe.net.

Will there be Public Events?

Some LLDS Finals will offer additional Public Events. Check with your Tournament Organiser to find out – contact information for the LLDS Final organisers can be found at www.yugioh-card.com under “Events”.

How long will the LLDS Final tournament last?

The number of Swiss rounds is determined by the number of Duelists enrolled in the tournament. Rounds in the Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME are 40 minutes long. Since you can play all rounds in a Swiss tournament, you should expect to be at the event for several hours.

What happens if I am not done with my Match after 40 minutes?

Starting on June 1st, 2018, all Yu-Gi-Oh! TCG Organized Play will use the new End of Match procedures. Duelists should familiarize themselves with the new End of Match procedures prior to attending any event. Sometimes a Match will not be finished when the time ends for a round. If this happens, it is both Duelists' responsibility to note whose turn it is when time is called. Duelists who require assistance with the End of Match procedures should raise their hand and call for a judge. The judge should be notified that the Match is ongoing and whose turn it is. The judge may or may not stay to supervise the End of Match procedure, but should ensure that both Duelists understand the following procedures.

End of Match procedures should follow these three (3) rules:

Rule #1: If time is called while Duelists are in the middle of a Game, the current Game must have a decision (Win, Loss, or Draw)

Rule #2: Once the current Game has concluded with a decision, determine the winner of the Match by determining the number of Game Wins (or Game Losses) each Duelist has for the current Match. The Duelist with the most Game Wins will win the Match.

Swiss Rounds: If both Duelists have the same number of Game Wins, or if time was called in between games of a Match when both Duelists had the same number of Game Wins, then the Match is a Draw. Single-Elimination Rounds: If both Duelists have the same number of Game Wins, or if time is called in between Games of a Match while both Duelists have the same number of Game Wins, they will begin a new Duel with specific guidelines.

Neither Duelist may use his or her Side Deck. If time was called in between Games of a Match and at least one Duelist has already accessed his or her Side Deck, then both Duelists may use their Side Deck. Page 11 of 20 Duelists must use a random method (die roll, coin flip, etc.) to determine who will go first.

The Duel will continue for a total of four (4) turns, two (2) turns for each Duelist, unless a Duelist manages to win the Duel before the four (4) turns have concluded. A "turn" is defined as the start of the Draw Phase until the end of the End Phase for a single Duelist.

Once the four (4) turns are completed, Life Point totals are compared and the Duelist with the highest Life Point total wins the Match.

If both Duelists' Life Points are the same after the four (4) turns are completed, then play will continue on a turn-by-turn basis, with the Duelist with the most Life Points at the end of a turn being declared the winner of that Game.

Rule #3: If a win condition occurs during End of Match Procedures, that Duelist wins the current Game.

Keeping these three (3) rules in mind, please follow these instructions when proceeding to End of Match procedures:

Continue with the current Phase of the Game. Once the Phase is over, stop the game.

Determine a Game Winner at this point, with the Duelist with the most Life Points winning the Game.

During Swiss Rounds, if both Duelists' Life Points are the same, the Game is a Draw. Compare Game Wins with the Duelist with the most Game Wins winning the Match. If the Game Win totals are the same, the Match is a Draw.

During Single-Elimination, if both Duelists' Life Points are the same at the end of the current Phase (Step 1 above), finish the current turn. If both Duelists' Life Points are the same at the end of the turn, then play will continue on a turn-by-turn basis, with the Duelist with the most Life Points at the end of a turn being declared the winner of that Game.

Match Draws cannot occur during Single-Elimination Rounds

Preparing for the event

Can I get a KCGN ID number at the LLDS Final tournament, or will I need to have one before I attend the event?

If you are only participating in Public Events, then if you do not have a KCGN ID number, you can get one at the event. If you have already received an invite to the LLDS Final, then you must bring your existing KCGN ID number. If you do not remember your KCGN ID number for the Main Event you can find it on the Invited Player List online. We encourage you to bring your number with you already to avoid any time delays.

Will I need to complete and turn in a Deck List?

Yes. All Duelists participating in a LLDS Final must turn in a completed Deck List to participate. Please check with the onsite Tournament Organiser for additional information in regards to the Deck List collection process. Duelists can download the official KDE Deck List at http://www.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/rulings/constructed_deck_list.pdf. Duelists are encouraged to complete their Deck List before arriving at the tournament.

What cards are legal for play?

Please check the "Products" page online at <http://www.yugioh-card.com> for an updated look at the legality dates of Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME product releases, prior to preparing your Deck for the event.

In addition to checking the tournament legality of a product, please check the current Advanced Format Forbidden/Limited list. Certain cards in products with tournament-legal dates can sometimes be excluded from the current format.

Can I use OCG cards in my Deck?

No. Cards printed for Asian markets are not legal for play in TCG tournaments.

Can I use foreign language cards in my Deck?

You can use foreign-language copies of legal-for-play cards printed for the TCG market, as long as you can show an official translation of the card, kept outside of your Deck, when asked to do so by an opponent or tournament official.

I've never been to a LLDS Final tournament, what should I expect?

LLDS Finals are large tournaments, and attract competitive Duelists who are attempting to earn the title of LLDS Winner as well as exclusive prizes such as the Top Cut Game Mat and a YCS Prize Card awarded.

There are a lot of things you should do to make sure you are prepared before heading to the tournament. Read over the list of things you will need for the tournament, and make sure you have everything. You'll have a better time at the event if you don't have too many bulky or heavy possessions to carry around, as it can get crowded there on the floor. Think ahead while you are planning what to bring with you.

When you get to the event, you will need to register to play. You will also need a KCGN ID card – this is the ID number used to track you in the tournament. If you don't already have one, you will be able to get one at the tournament.

If you have a KCGN ID and have lost or forgotten it, you can find it on the Invited Player List online.

Please arrive at least 30 minutes before the LLDS Final is scheduled to start to ensure you will be properly registered for the tournament.

You will also need a Deck List. A Deck List is required to participate in the LLDS Final. You can get a Deck List form at the event when you register, or you can download one to fill out ahead of time by clicking on this link:

http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/forms/KDE_DeckList.pdf. Write the name of each card in full, and write down how many copies you have in your Deck.

- Make sure your name and KCGN ID are on your Deck List.
- Make sure your Deck List exactly matches your Deck.
- Write legibly and do not use abbreviations for card names.

Please check with the Head Judge for additional instructions on the Deck List collection process.

Duelists are responsible for paying attention to information from judges and/or tournament staff to understand what is going on. If Duelists have questions about the event either beforehand or while they are there, they should check with the Tournament Organiser.

Before heading to the event, all Duelists should read over the KDE Tournament Policy and Penalty Guidelines carefully. These documents tell you what you can and cannot do at an event, and give you a good idea of what to expect. You may find these Guidelines at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/>.

When you compete in a LLDS Final tournament, you'll be held to high standards of play and sportsmanship. You should know how the cards in your Deck work, and should take great care to prepare your Deck, sleeves, and Deck List. Duelists must pay attention to information from judges and/or tournament staff to understand what is going on. Duelists are expected to know and understand the information provided in the above policies and guidelines while at a LLDS Final or any Sanctioned event.

LLDS Finals are excellent places to test your skills, learn more about deck-building and strategy, and see how well you match up against the other Duelists in your area.

What will I need to bring to a LLDS Final tournament?

You should bring a tournament-legal Deck as described above, along with any tournament supplies you will need, such as paper and pen to track Life Points, dice or counters if you are using cards which require them, extra sleeves to replace any that become damaged, and so forth. If you have a KCGN ID number, you should bring your number and barcode. You'll also need the entry fee for the tournament, as well as money for your incidentals (food, drink, Public Events, etc.). You may need to bring any form of ID to confirm your identity when trying to register for the event. Driver's license, Passport, ID Card are an example of valid forms of ID.

I want to judge at a LLDS Final, instead of competing as a Duelist, how can I volunteer?

If you're interested in judging, you should contact the Tournament Organiser for the LLDS Final as soon as possible. Most Tournament Organisers are always on the lookout for judge staff, so be prepared to provide your full name, contact information including email and phone number, and a description of your previous judging experience.

Judges are encouraged to take the Level 1 Rulings Comprehension test and Policy Comprehension test available at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/judges.html>. Following their successful completion of the test, they should follow the instructions at the above link and register as a judge with KDE.

Whom should I contact for more information about a specific LLDS Final?

Your best resource for answers about a specific LLDS Final event is the contact number listed on the webpage. Konami won't be able to answer questions such as "How do I get to the venue?," "Where should I park?," "When does registration start?," and so forth. For questions such as these, you will need to contact the Tournament Organiser directly.

If you have more general questions about LLDS Finals, you can send them to yugioh@konami-europe.net. Please be as detailed as possible, so we can try to provide you with the answers you're seeking!

Prizes and Invites to the LLDS Finals

What are the prizes for LLDS Finals?

Please refer to the table on <http://yugioh-card.com/uk/events/> - and navigate to 2018 LLDS Finals, and check what the prizes are. All LLDS Finals will have the same prizing.

How and when will I receive my invite?

A list of Duelists who have earned invites to the 2018 LLDS Finals is posted online. You can find the list here:

- You will not receive an invite or certificate via letter mail
- You will not receive an invite or certificate via email
- You will not be required to present any kind of certificate to enter the 2018 LLDS Finals
- Your name and information will be added to the Invite List, and that is proof that you qualified

If you have a question about your invite status, you can email yugioh@konami-europe.net and ask. Please provide your full name, KCGN ID number, and the date and location of the event at which you qualified, along with your question, so we can answer you quickly and efficiently.

Please remember that invite status information isn't automatically or instantly updated online.

How many Duelists will earn invites at a LLDS Qualifier?

In Europe the number of invites per LLDS Qualifier is 2. In Oceania the number of invites per LLDS Qualifier is 4. If a player participating in an LLDS Qualifier already has an invite to the LLDS Finals and reaches the Top 2 of the event, the invite will pass down to the next eligible spot.

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Will LLDS Qualifiers Invites “pass down” if someone who has already earned an invite earns another one?

Yes, invites earned in LLDS Qualifiers will pass down for the 2018 LLDS Final season.

Is travel or hotel included with my invite?

Costs for travel and/or accommodation are not included with invites earned at a LLDS Final – the expenses incurred in attending an 2018 LLDS Finals tournament will be the responsibility of the Duelist.