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I. Basic Information

A. What are OTS State Championship Finals?

OTS State Championship Finals are part of the Oceanic State Championship Program. The Oceanic State Championship program is split into Qualifier events, and State Finals.

OTS State Championship Finals are one-day events hosted in each participating Oceanic State. These events award top performing Duelists with exclusive prizing.

OTS Extravaganza Qualifiers, and OTS State Championship Finals are Tier 2 Events.

You will find further information on Tier 2 events in our [Tournament Policy](#).

B. Where and when are the OTS State Championship Finals?

A list of dates and locations for scheduled OTS State Championship Finals events can be found online on the [Official Yu-Gi-Oh! Events web page](#).

Additionally; you can find events using the [NEURON](#) phone application, or via [KCGN](#).

C. How much does it cost to enter OTS State Championship Finals?

OTS State Championship Finals are free to enter, however a Duelist must have earned an invitation to enter at either an Extravaganza Qualifier, or at a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day event.

D. Who can participate in OTS State Championship Finals?

OTS State Championship Finals require an invite to participate. A list of invitations will be available on [Official Yu-Gi-Oh! Events web page](#) as soon as information is available.

Any invited Duelist is eligible to participate, unless they are suspended from official Yu-Gi-Oh! Organised Play, or are a tournament official associated with the OTS State Championship Finals event. This includes, but is not limited to, the Judge Staff, Scorekeeper, Registration Staff, and Tournament Organiser.

OTS State Championship Finals events are open to players from foreign countries.

Tournament Organisers retain the right to refuse entry to players who have engaged in criminal behaviour, such as theft or violent conduct.

Duelists may only participate in **one** OTS State Championship Finals event.

E. What is the format for OTS State Championship Finals?

OTS State Championship Finals event are run as Advanced Constructed.

OTS State Championship Finals event will be run using Swiss Format, with a Top Cut playoff.

Swiss Format 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 OTS Extravaganza Qualifiers:

Number of Participants*	Number of Swiss Rounds	Playoff Top Cut
4 – 8	3	None
9 – 16	4	Top 4
17 – 32	5	Top 4
33 – 64	6	Top 8
65 – 128	7	Top 8
129 – 256	8	Top 16

F. Can I play in more than one OTS State Championship Finals event?

Duelists can compete in any OTS State Championship Final, however they may only compete in **one** OTS State Championship Finals event.

Competing in more than one OTS State Championship Finals event is a violation. Doing so may result in penalties, such as suspension from the KDE Organised Play Programs.

G. I would like to provide feedback to KONAMI concerning the OTS Extravaganza event I attended, who should I contact?

If you attended one of our OTS State Championship Finals events and would like to give us feedback, you are welcome to send us an e-mail to eu-opsupport@konami.com.

H. Will there be Public Events at OTS State Championship Finals?

Some OTS State Championship Finals events may offer Public Events. Check with your Tournament Organiser to find out if they will be offering any Public Events.

I. How long will the OTS State Championship Finals event 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, you should expect to be at the event for several hours.

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

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.
- 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.
 1. 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:

1. **Continue with the current Phase of the Game. Once the Phase is over, stop the game.**
2. 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.**

II. Preparing for the Event

A. Can I get a CARD GAME ID number at the OTS State Championship Finals events, or will I need to have one before I attend the event?

Main Event:

If you have already received an invite to the OTS State Championship Finals, 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.

Invites are tied directly to your KCGN ID. If we are unable to confirm your invite status, you will not be able to participate in the OTS State Championship Finals.

Public Events:

If you previously had a COSSY ID, that same number will carry over as your CARD GAME ID. You will still need to register online at <https://cardgame-network.konami.net/>.

If you do not have a KCGN ID number, you can get one at the event. If you already have a KCGN ID number but do not remember the 10-digit ID, a registration staff member on-site should be able to assist in finding your correct ID. Duelists should avoid acquiring new KCGN IDs if the previous ID can be found.

If you do not have a CARD GAME ID number, you can get one by registering online at <https://cardgame-network.konami.net/>.

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

All OTS State Championship Finals events are run with the Advanced Constructed format. Duelists must turn in a completed Deck List in order to participate. Please check with the onsite Tournament Organiser for additional information in regard 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.

C. What cards are legal for play?

Please check the card legality page online 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.**

Card Legality	UK: https://img.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/detail.php?id=426 FR: https://img.yugioh-card.com/fr/gameplay/detail.php?id=307 DE: https://img.yugioh-card.com/de/gameplay/detail.php?id=405 IT: https://img.yugioh-card.com/it/gameplay/detail.php?id=368 ES: https://img.yugioh-card.com/es/gameplay/detail.php?id=344 OC: https://img.yugioh-card.com/oc/gameplay/detail.php?id=1386
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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.

D. Can I use OCG cards in my Deck?

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

E. 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.

F. If I've never been to a competitive tournament, what should I expect?

Competitive events are run like local tournaments, with exception that Duelists are held to a higher standard of play.

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 in order 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 try ask the Registration team to look it up for you. If you've played in a previous event, they may be able to retrieve your number.

We recommend using the [NEURON](#) phone app as a way of keeping track of you KCGN ID.

Please arrive at least 30 minutes before the event 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 event. 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/uk/gameplay/rulings/constructed_deck_list.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 in order 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 in the [resources section](#).

When you compete in a competitive event, 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 in order to understand what is going on. Duelists are expected to know and understand the information provided in the above policies and guidelines while at any Sanctioned event.

Competitive events are excellent places to test your skills, learn more about deckbuilding and strategy, and see how well you match up against the other Duelists in your area.

G. What will I need to bring to an OTS State Championship Finals event?

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, or within the [NEURON](#) phone app. You'll also need money for your incidentals (food, drink, Public Events etc.).

H. I want to judge at an OTS State Championship Finals event, how can I volunteer?

If you're interested in judging, you should contact the Tournament Organiser hosting an OTS State Championship Finals event 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 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.

I. Whom should I contact for more information about a specific OTS State Championship Finals event?

Your best resource for answers about a specific OTS State Championship Finals event is by using the contact information listed event page which you can find within the [events section of yugioh-card.com](#). 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 OTS State Championship Finals events, you can send them to euopsupport@konami.com. Please be as detailed as possible, so we can try to provide you with the answers you're seeking!

III. Prizes at the OTS State Championship Finals

A. What are the prizes for OTS State Championship Finals events?

Below is a list of prizing awarded at an OTS Championship Final:

Placement	Prizing
Winner	Nintendo SWITCH Legacy of the Duelist: Link Evolution Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Backpack
2nd	24 Booster Packs from recent sets Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Backpack
3rd-4th	24 Booster Packs from recent sets
5th – 8th	12 Booster Packs from recent sets
9th – 16th	6 Booster Packs from recent sets
Top 16	State Championship 2020 Game Mat
Participation	OTS Toon Game Mat*

*While stocks last

B. How and when will I receive my invite?

A list of invited players will be posted on yugioh-card.com.
Further information to follow.

C. When and where are the OTS State Championship Finals?

The OTS State Championship Finals will take place later in the year. This will be after all OTS State Championship events have concluded. We will make an announcement once the dates and locations are available, so please keep checking on <http://yugioh-card.com>.

D. Is travel or hotel included with my qualification?

No. Travel and accommodation is not awarded alongside an OTS State Championship Finals invite.

E. Do I have to participate in the country I qualified in?

Duelists do not have to play in the country they earned their invite in. Duelists are however permitted to participate in only **one** OTS State Championship Finals event.

IV. Resource Links and Contact Information

A. Contact information

For Questions please e-mail:

Topic	E-mail
KDE-E Organised Play Support	eu-opsupport@konami.com
KDE-E Penalty Support	eu-penaltysupport@konami.com
KDE-E Judge Support	eu-judgesupport@konami.com
KDE-E OTS Support	eu-otssupport@konami.com

B. Resources

Topic	Link
Official Yu-Gi-Oh! Events webpage	UK: https://www.yugioh-card.com/uk/events/ FR: https://www.yugioh-card.com/fr/events/ DE: https://www.yugioh-card.com/de/events/ IT: https://www.yugioh-card.com/it/events/ ES: https://www.yugioh-card.com/es/events/ OC: https://www.yugioh-card.com/oc/events/
OTS Store Locator	UK: https://www.yugioh-card.com/uk/storelocator/ FR: https://www.yugioh-card.com/fr/storelocator/ DE: https://www.yugioh-card.com/de/storelocator/ IT: https://www.yugioh-card.com/it/storelocator/ ES: https://www.yugioh-card.com/es/storelocator/ OC: https://www.yugioh-card.com/oc/storelocator/
KDE-E Official Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME Tournament Policy:	https://img.yugioh-card.com/ygo_cms/ygo/all/uploads/KDE-E_TCG_Tournament_Policy_2_1.pdf
Official Yu-Gi-Oh! Rule Book	https://img.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/detail.php?id=789
Tournament Infractions and Penalties Policy:	https://img.yugioh-card.com/ygo_cms/ygo/all/uploads/Official KDEE Tournament Infractions Penalties Policy V2.pdf
KONAMI Card Game Network	https://cardgame-network.konami.net/
NEURON Webpage	https://www.konami.com/yugioh/neuron/en/

Forbidden and Limited List	UK: https://img.yugioh-card.com/uk/limited/ FR: https://img.yugioh-card.com/fr/limited/ DE: https://img.yugioh-card.com/de/limited/ IT: https://img.yugioh-card.com/it/limited/ ES: https://img.yugioh-card.com/es/limited/ OC: https://img.yugioh-card.com/oc/limited/
Card Legality Page	UK: https://img.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/detail.php?id=426 FR: https://img.yugioh-card.com/fr/gameplay/detail.php?id=307 DE: https://img.yugioh-card.com/de/gameplay/detail.php?id=405 IT: https://img.yugioh-card.com/it/gameplay/detail.php?id=368 ES: https://img.yugioh-card.com/es/gameplay/detail.php?id=344 OC: https://img.yugioh-card.com/oc/gameplay/detail.php?id=1386
KDE-E Official Constructed Deck List	https://img.yugioh-card.com/ygo_cms/ygo/all/uploads/YGO_Constructed_Decklist_EN.pdf
KONAMI Judge Program Overview	https://img.yugioh-card.com/uk/gameplay/detail.php?id=783
Remote Duel Best Practice Guide	https://img.yugioh-card.com/ygo_cms/ygo/all/uploads/Remote-Duel-Best-Practice-Guide.pdf
Remote Duel Set Up Guide	https://img.yugioh-card.com/ygo_cms/ygo/all/uploads/Remote-Duel-Set-Up-Guide.pdf

c. Social Media

Topic	Link
Facebook	facebook.com/yugiohcardeu
Instagram	Instagram.com/yugiohcardeu
Twitter	Twitter.com/yugiohcardeu
YouTube	Youtube.com/yugiohcardeu
Twitch	Twitch.tv/yugiohcardeu