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BASIC INFORMATION

Q: What is a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship?

The Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship is a way for Official Tournament Stores (OTS) to provide Duelists with a Store level Championship which offers Duelists the opportunity to earn invites to the World Championship Qualifier at one of our OTS. Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship tournaments are held simultaneously throughout North and Latin America. This Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship is scheduled to occur on Saturday, September 30th, 2017.

The Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship is a Tier 2 tournament, as it gives invites to the World Championship Qualifier (WCQ).

Only Konami OTS in good standing are permitted to host a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship.

Q: Where and when are the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships?

The Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships will be held on Saturday, September 30th, 2017 at select locations throughout North America. A list of locations for the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship event can be found online at http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/otschampionship/otschamp_locations.html.

Please contact the OTS for exact tournament start time.

Q: What is the attendance capacity for the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship?

Due to safety and fire regulations, each Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship has a seating capacity and it may vary from location to location. It is advised that you arrive early enough to register for the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship so that you can ensure a spot in the event. If you have any additional questions, please contact the OTS directly at the phone number that corresponds with the event in the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship Locator page.

Q: How much does it cost to enter a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship?

The registration fee for the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship is \$20.00 USD in the United States (\$25.00 CAD in Canada). All players entering the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship event must receive this amount in commensurate prizing. For example, it could be four (4) OTS Tournament Packs, five (5) booster packs, or ten (10) Battle Packs, etc.

Sales tax may not be charged on top of the entry fee for the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship. If a region requires sales tax to be charged on entry fees, then the current entry fees should be considered to already include the sales tax.

Q: What are the prizes for Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships?

In addition to the product each Duelist receives upon entering the tournament, prize distribution will be as follows:

Rank	Item Name	Instructions
1 st Place	<p>One (1) OTS Championship Game Mat</p> <p>Invite to the 2017 World Championship Qualifier</p> <p>Ten (10) UDS Points for WCQ Invite</p> <p>Five (5) UDS Points for accurately completing WCQ Invite Form</p>	<p>These are given out to the Duelist who is ranked 1st after the Playoff Top Cut rounds have concluded. If the event had less than nine (9) Duelists, it will go to the Duelist who is ranked 1st place after the final round of Swiss.</p>
2 nd - 4 th Place	<p>Invite to the 2018 World Championship Qualifier</p> <p>Ten (10) UDS Points for WCQ Invite</p> <p>Five (5) UDS Points for accurately completing WCQ Invite Form</p>	<p>The Top 4 Duelists after the final round played will earn an invite to the 2018 World Championship Qualifier.</p>
Participation	Five (5) UDS Points	<p>Awarded to each player who participates in the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship. <u>Participation Points are in addition to the points earned for ranking in the Top 4 of the event.</u></p>



At the OTS' discretion, the above prizes may be supplemented with additional Yu-Gi-Oh! TCG product or accessories.

Q: How many Duelists will earn invites at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship?

Invites to the 2018 World Championship Qualifier tournaments are awarded after the Top Cut Playoffs (if applicable). Invites are awarded to the Top four (4) Duelists, after the conclusion of the Top Cut Playoffs (if applicable).

If a Duelist who has already received an invitation to their 2018 World Championship Qualifier earns an additional invitation at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship, the invite does **not** pass down. Duelists who already have an invite who earn additional invites are still required to complete an invite form each time they qualify.

Duelists who earn invites will be responsible for completing the 2018 WCQ Invite form on-site at the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship, in order to be placed on the Invite List. Incomplete information could prevent your invite from being verified by KDE, so please ensure that your information is **complete, accurate** and **legible**. Part of the requirement to earn an invite is to complete an invite form on-site. Failure to do so may result in an invite not being awarded.

Invites are not mailed out. Duelists who earn an invite will be able to see their name on the World Championship Qualifier invite list within 2-8 weeks after the completion of the event they qualified in.

A list of Duelists who have earned invites to a World Championship Qualifier is posted online. You can find the list here: http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/wcq_invite_list.html.

Q: What is the format for Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship tournaments?

All Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship events are Tier 2 events, conducted as Advanced Format, Constructed Deck, Swiss round events. The Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship will play Swiss Rounds, with a Playoff Top Cut (if applicable), with prizes awarded at the end of the final round played. If eight (8) or less Duelists participate in the event, prizes are awarded after the final Round of Swiss. The format details provided here supersede any tournament details found in other official KDE policy documents.

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

*The Number of Participants is based on how many total participants are enrolled in the tournament once Registration closes. All Duelists added to the event after registration closes should not affect the number of Swiss Rounds. Playoff Top Cut is based on the total number of participants, including late entries.

Examples	<i>After registration closes, 63 Duelists have registered for the tournament. This means that the tournament will have 6 Rounds of Swiss, followed by a Top 8 Playoff cut. Two Duelists register late, beginning the tournament with a Round 1 Match Loss. Even though this brings the attendance total to 65, only 6 Rounds of Swiss are played.</i>
	<i>After registration closes, 127 Duelists have registered for the tournament. This means that the tournament will have 7 Rounds of Swiss, followed by a Top 8 Playoff cut. Two Duelists register late, beginning the tournament with a Round 1 Match Loss. Even though this brings the attendance total to 129, the number of Swiss Rounds would not change, but the Playoff Top Cut would change from Top 8 to Top 16.</i>

These events are Tier 2 events and will use the appropriate End of Match Procedures for a Tier 2 event during Swiss Rounds.

Q: Can I get a CARD GAME ID (previously COSSY ID) number at the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship tournament, or will I need to have one before I attend the event?

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 remember your previous 10-digit ID, a registration staff member on-site should be able to assist in finding your correct ID. Duelists should avoid acquiring new CARD GAME 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/>.

Duelists are not required to have their actual CARD GAME ID card to participate, though it is encouraged.

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

Yes. All Duelists participating in a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship must turn in a completed Deck List in order to participate. Please check with the OTS 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/en/events/forms/KDE_DeckList.pdf. This is an editable PDF, so you will be able to type the card names in this form, which should help as your Deck List needs to be legible and complete – write the name of each card in full, and write down how many copies you have in your Deck.

Make sure your name and CARD GAME ID are on your Deck List.

Make sure your Deck List exactly matches your Deck.

There is a very helpful article on our strategy site that will help you fill out your Deck List properly. Just follow the link here:

<http://www.konami.com/yugioh/articles/?p=3534>

Duelists are encouraged to complete their Deck List before arriving at the Tournament by using the downloadable KDE Deck List and typing out all of the necessary information in the editable fields on the form.

Q: What cards are legal for play?

Please check the “Products” page online at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/products/> 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.**

Also check this link for the current legality of all promotional cards <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/gameplay/cardlegality.html>.

Advanced Format tournaments use a specific list of playable cards. Some cards are forbidden from use, or limited to a set number in the Deck, in order to better balance tournament play. Duelists can view the most current Advanced Format card list by visiting this link: <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/limited/>

Constructed Decks for Yu-Gi-Oh! TCG tournaments must meet specific guidelines for use in the event. Duelists must ensure that their Decks meet these requirements before entering an event. A Duelist’s Deck includes their Main Deck, and may include a Side Deck and/or an Extra Deck.

A Duelist may not have more than three copies of any card included in their Main Deck, Side Deck, and Extra Deck combined.

Cards that have been altered from their original appearance with surface decoration may be used for play only if the alterations do not obscure any portion of the card text, make the illustration difficult to recognize, or make the card distinguishable from other cards in the Deck while it is face-down.

If a card’s surface decoration renders the card unrecognizable at first glance, then the card is not allowed for tournament play.

The Head Judge of the event has final arbitration on whether or not altered cards may be used at the tournament. Duelists are responsible for determining whether or not their altered cards are acceptable for use before the start of the tournament.

Q: Can I use OCG cards in my Deck?

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

Q: 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 and Deck box, when asked to do so by an opponent or tournament official.

PREPARING FOR THE TOURNAMENT

Duelists who wish to enter a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship must meet the following criteria

- Have a Deck that meets the current Advanced Format criteria.
- Have a CARD GAME ID number (obtainable at the event) and be in good standing.
- Have read and understood the following documents. These documents can be found at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/gameplay/>
 - KDE Official Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME Tournament Policy
 - KDE Official TRADING CARD GAME Tournament Policy
 - KDE Official Penalty Guidelines
 - Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME Official Rulebook

Duelists who have been suspended from Organized Play by KDE are not considered to be in good standing, and may not register for or compete in Sanctioned or Official events. A list of suspended players can be found at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/suspended.html>.

Any tournament official associated with or working an event cannot play in that specific event. This includes, but is not limited to, the Judge Staff, Scorekeeper, Event Staff, Store Owner, and Tournament Organizer.

Suspended persons may not enter the venue of a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship tournament, **no exceptions**. If a suspended person is discovered at the venue, they may be charged with offenses including but not limited to trespassing, as well as an extension of their suspension.

If a Suspended Duelist's name appears on the Suspended Player list, they are not allowed to be on the premises, even if they have reached their date of eligibility for reinstatement. Suspended Duelists are required to apply for reinstatement with the KDE Penalty Committee via us-penalty@konami.com. Once their applications have been reviewed, and their reinstatement accepted, their name will be removed from the list. Until that time, they are considered to be Suspended Players.

Q: What will I need to bring to a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship 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 CARD GAME ID number, you should bring your number and barcode. You'll also need the entry fee for the tournament, as well as money for any incidentals (food, drink, etc.).

Q: Are there any items I am not allowed to bring to the tournament?

Attendees may not bring any item(s) into the tournament venue that is prohibited by law in their area (local, state, or federal). In addition, alcohol, unlawful items/transactions, weapons of any kind, and substance drugs which may be illegal on a local, state, and/or federal level, are not allowed at Sanctioned/Official events. Attendees who bring any such items to a tournament venue will incur penalties, including Disqualification and removal from the event, and risk suspension from KDE Organized Play.

The use of electronic and/or vapor cigarettes are not permitted on the tournament floor at any Sanctioned/Official events, or in areas designated for tournament attendees.

Q: What if I lost an item at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship tournament?

Duelists are responsible for looking after their own belongings at the event. Konami Digital Entertainment, OTS, Staff, and Judges bear no responsibility for, and cannot be held liable for, any loss, theft or damage to the person or personal property of any attendee.

Duelists who lost items should seek the Lost & Found on-site. If the item is not found on-site, Duelists are encouraged to contact the OTS within a 60-day period on the chance the lost item has been turned in.

Q: What will I need to bring in order to register for the tournament?

Duelists wishing to register for a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship will be required to complete a registration form at the event. Duelists will be required to present their CARD GAME ID number along with a form of ID in order to register for the event. Acceptable forms of ID include current-year School ID cards, driver's licenses, passports, or other government-issued identification documents.

If you are under the age of 16, you can bring in a copy of your birth certificate as proof of ID. Duelists under the age of 16 are required to have a parent or guardian read and sign the registration form in order to be eligible to participate in a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship. Registration forms can be downloaded and filled out prior to the event from here:

http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/forms/KDE_RegistrationSheet.pdf

Duelists who register or attempt to register under another Duelist's name or CARD GAME ID number will be disqualified from the event, and risk suspension from KDE Organized Play events. Duelists are required to register with their legal name, as it appears on their form of ID. Nicknames may not be used when registering for a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship. Initials to replace the First or Last Names may not be used when registering for a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship.

Q: If I've never been to a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship tournament, what should I expect?

Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships are Tier 2 tournaments, and attract competitive Duelists who are attempting to earn World Championship Qualifier invites and the title of OTS Champion!

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.

To register, you'll need a Registration form, a form of ID, your CARD GAME ID if you have one already, and the entry fee for the tournament. You can get a Registration form at the event, or you can get one to print at home before the tournament by clicking on this link:

http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/forms/KDE_RegistrationSheet.pdf

Make sure your Registration form is filled out completely before you reach the registration station. You will also need a CARD GAME ID number – 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 CARD GAME ID and have lost or forgotten it, you can ask the Registration station to look it up for you. If you've played in a previous event, they may be able to retrieve your number.

Once you have a completed Registration form and a CARD GAME ID, you can register for the tournament.

Please arrive early enough before the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship is scheduled to start to ensure you

will be properly registered for the tournament. Registration generally closes 15 minutes before the scheduled start time. Duelists may register late for an event and will begin the event with a Round 1 Match Loss. Space is always limited based on the capacity of the venue, so please arrive and register early.

You will also need a Deck List. A Deck List is required to participate in the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship. 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

This is an editable PDF, so you will be able to type the card names in this form, which should help as your Deck List needs to be legible and complete – write the name of each card in full, and write down how many copies you have in your Deck.

- Make sure your name and CARD GAME ID are on your Deck List.
- Make sure your Deck List exactly matches your Deck.

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 OTS.

Before heading to the event, all Duelists should read over the KDE Tournament Policy, Yu-Gi-Oh! 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 by clicking the following links.

KDE Tournament Policy: http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/gameplay/penalty_guide/KDE%20TCG%20Tournament%20Policy%20v1.4%202013November14.pdf

Penalty Guidelines: http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/gameplay/penalty_guide/Penalty%20Guidelines%20v1.4%202013November14.pdf

Yu-Gi-Oh! Tournament Policy: http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/gameplay/penalty_guide/Yu-Gi-Oh!%20Tournament%20Policy%20v1.4%202013November14.pdf

When you compete in a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship 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 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 a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship or any Sanctioned or Official event.

Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships 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.

Q: I want to judge at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship, instead of competing as a Duelist – how can I apply?

In order to judge at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship, judges must be registered in the KDE Judge Program.

Judges must first pass the online Level 1 Rulings Comprehension test available at <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/judges/index.html>. Following their successful completion of the test, they must then follow the instructions in their confirmation e-mail, and send in a completed application to join the KDE Judge Program. All judges are required to hold Level 1 Rulings Comprehension certification **and** be enrolled in the KDE Judge Program in order to be eligible to judge at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship.

If you're interested in judging, you should contact the OTS for the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship as soon as possible (use the contact number provided in the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship Locator listing). Most OTS are always on the lookout for Judge Staff, so be prepared to provide your full name, contact information, including e-mail and phone number, and a description of your previous judging experience.

Q: Whom should I contact for more information about a specific Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship?

Your best resource for answers about a specific Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship event is the contact number listed on the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship Locator. KDE 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 OTS directly.

If you have more general questions about Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships, you can send them to usopsupport@konami.com. Please be as detailed as possible, so we can try to provide you with the answers you're seeking!

AT THE TOURNAMENT

Q: Will the OTS Championship award any Ultimate Duelist Series (UDS) Points?

The OTS Championship will award the following points towards the UDS Invitational.

Criteria	Category	Recommended Points to be Awarded	Pin Awarded
Participate in a regular Regional, OTS Championship, or Dragon Duel	Participation	5 UDS Points	
Rank high enough to earn WCQ Invite at any Tier 2 Event offering WCQ Invite	Invite	10 UDS Points	
Accurately complete WCQ invite paperwork at any Tier 2 Event offering WCQ Invite		5 UDS Points	
Judge at a Regional, Dragon Duel, OTS Championship, or OTS UDS Qualifier	Judge	10 UDS Points	

For additional information regarding the Ultimate Duelist Series, please go to <http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/ultimateduelist/>.

Q: How long will the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship 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.

Q: What happens if I am not done with my Match after 40 minutes? (Swiss Rounds – Tier 2 Events)

Sometimes a Match will not be finished when the time ends for a round. If this happens, the Duelist should note whose turn it is when time is called, and raise their hands 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 procedure.

Please follow these instructions when proceeding to End of Match procedures during the **Swiss** portion of the tournament:

1. Continue until the end of the current turn.
2. If the Duel is not over at the end of the turn, go to “Extra Turns.”
 - Extra Turns = Conduct (5) additional turns starting from the opponent’s turn.
3. If a win condition (a Duelist’s Life Points is reduced to 0 or an instant win condition such as the effect of **Exodia the Forbidden One** or **Final Countdown**) occurs within these (5) turns, the Duel ends as normal.
4. If a win condition does NOT occur within these (5) turns, the Duelist who has higher Life Points after the “Extra Turns” (5 turns) wins.
5. If both Duelists’ Life Points are the same after the “Extra Turns” are completed, the Duel is considered a Draw.
 - After the Duel is concluded, the Duelist who has won the most Duels is declared the winner of the Match. If both Duelists now have the same number of Duel wins, the Match is a Draw.
 - If both Duelists won one Duel and the third Duel ends in a Draw, the Match is considered to be a Draw.
 - If time is called before a Duel begins (during Side Decking, before drawing their opening Hands), and both Duelists have won the same number of Duels, the Match is considered to be a Draw.
 - If time is called before a Duel begins (during Side Decking, before drawing their opening Hands), and one Duelist has won more Duels, the Duelist with more wins is declared the winner of the Match.
 - Duelists may not choose to intentionally end a match in a Draw. Intentionally ending a Match in a Draw, or stalling to have a Match end in a Draw, is against tournament policy and could result in a Disqualification.

Match Draws may only occur during the Swiss portion of a tournament and only during End of Match procedures. **Duelists may not intentionally end a Match in a Draw. Intentionally ending a Match in a Draw, or stalling to have a Match end in a Draw, is against tournament policy and could result in a Disqualification.**

Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships are Tier 2 Events.

Q: What happens if I am not done with my Match after 40 minutes? (Single-Elimination)

During Single-Elimination rounds, if Duelists have not completed their matches during their allotted time limit, proceed to End of Match procedures. Please follow these instructions when proceeding to End of Match procedures during the **Single-Elimination** portion of the tournament:

1. Continue until the end of the current turn.
2. If the Duel did not end at the end of the turn, go to “Extra Turns.”
 - Extra Turns = Conduct (3) additional turns starting from the opponent’s turn.
3. If a win condition (a Duelist is reduced to 0 Life Points or an instant win condition such as the effect of **Exodia the Forbidden One** or **Final Countdown**) occurs within these (3) turns, the Duel ends as normal.
4. If a win condition does NOT occur within these (3) turns, the Duelist who has higher Life Points after the “Extra Turns” wins.
5. If both Duelists’ Life Points are the same after the “Extra 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.
 - Life Points are checked after the turn has completed but before the opponent’s turn begins.
 - If a Duelist’s Life Points reach 0 or if a win condition occurs during the turn, normal game play rules apply.
6. Once the winner has been determined for the current Duel, the Match winner is determined.
 - If a Duelist has more wins than his or her opponent, that Duelist wins the Match.
 - If both Duelists have the same number of Duel wins, or if time is called in between Games of a Match, they will begin a new Duel with specific guidelines.
 - Neither Duelist may use his or her 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 (4) turns, two turns for each Duelist, unless a Duelist manages to win the Duel before the (4) turns are up.
 - Once the four 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 (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. Please use the same criteria listed above (Step 5).

Draws cannot occur during Single-Elimination. There must always be a winner.

Q: Can I buy and sell cards from other participants at the event?

Each Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship location may have different buying, selling, or trading policies. Duelists should contact the OTS and inquire about that OTS' policies regarding buying, selling, and trading.

Q: I would like to provide feedback to KDE concerning the Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship I attended, who should I contact?

If you attended one of our Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championships and would like to send us feedback, you can send us an e-mail about your specific event by e-mailing us at us-opsupport@konami.com. With the header line "North America Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship Feedback [Store Name]". All feedback, including comments about the OTS, the judges, or the event itself, will be welcome! All feedback is always kept confidential. Please make sure your e-mail includes which Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship you attended, including store name, city, and state.

QUALIFICATION FOR 2018 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER TOURNAMENTS

Q: Do I have to qualify in my own country?

Invites awarded in North America, Latin America, Europe, and Oceania are only valid for WCQs within those regions. Duelists from outside these regions are not eligible to earn invites within these regions, nor within the region in which they reside.

You can earn a WCQ invite through Regional Qualifiers, Dragon Duels, OTS Championships, and Yu-Gi-Oh! Championship Series Tournaments in any country within North America, Latin America, Europe, and Oceania, but you can only compete in the World Championship Qualifier held for your Region and only for the Regions listed here.

Examples	<i>If a Duelist from Mexico qualifies in the United States, he or she will still play in the Central American World Championship Qualifier.</i>
	<i>If a Duelist who resides outside of North America, Latin America, Europe, or Oceania travels to an event in North America, Latin America, Europe, or Oceania, that Duelist is not eligible to earn an invite.</i>

If you qualify in an event outside of your country, the invite will be awarded to the WCQ event in which your region would normally qualify for (North America, Latin America, Europe, and Oceania only). This means that if the event was held in your country, if the invite would be awarded to a National Championship instead of a WCQ Continental Championship, the invite will be to the National Championship (North America, Latin America, Europe, and Oceania only).

Q: Will Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship invites “pass down” if someone who has already earned an invite earns another one?

Invites will not pass down for the 2018 Yu-Gi-Oh! WCQ season.

Q: How and when will I receive my invite?

A list of Duelists who have earned invites to a World Championship Qualifier is posted online. You can find the list here: http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/wcq_invite_list.html.

- You will not receive an invite or certificate in the mail.
- You will not receive an invite or certificate via e-mail.
- You will not be required to present any kind of certificate in order to enter a World Championship Qualifier.
- Your name and information will be added to the Invite List, and that is proof that you qualified.
- Information about your World Championship Qualifier will likewise be posted online – it will not be mailed or sent to you. Duelists are responsible to verify that their name appears on the appropriate Invite List, and to access posted information about their World Championship Qualifier by checking the www.yugioh-card.com/en/events page for updates.

If you have a question about your invite status, you can email us-opsupport@konami.com and ask. Please provide your **full name**, **CARD GAME 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, so you should allow approximately 2-8 weeks after the conclusion of your event for results to be posted from your tournament.

Q: Is travel or hotel included with my invite?

Travel and/or lodging are not included with invites earned at a Yu-Gi-Oh! OTS Championship – the expenses incurred in attending a World Championship Qualifier tournament will be the responsibility of the Duelist.