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BASIC INFORMATION

Q: What is Yu-Gi-Oh! Day?

Yu-Gi-Oh! Day is a day for all to celebrate the Yu-Gi-Oh! brand, create excitement for our brand at our Official Tournament Stores (OTS), and to further distinguish OTS from non-OTS. Yu-Gi-Oh! Day is held simultaneously throughout North America. The event is scheduled to occur on Saturday, July 26th, 2014.

Duelists will be able to participate in a Sanctioned tournament at all participating Official Tournament Stores (OTS), with exclusive prizes only available at an OTS. Yu-Gi-Oh! Days are primarily events that require minimal staffing on behalf of the OTS and a high standard of sportsmanship from the players.

Only Konami OTS are permitted to host a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day event.

Q: Where and when are the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day events?

The Yu-Gi-Oh! Days will be held on Saturday, July 26th, 2014 at select locations throughout North America. A list of locations for the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day event can be found online at http://www.yugioh-card.com/en/events/2014/2014_YGODay.html.

Please contact the OTS for exact Tournament start time.

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

Due to safety and fire regulations, each Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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! Day 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! Day Locator page.

Q: How much does it cost to enter the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day tournament?

The registration fee for the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day is \$5.00 US in the United States (\$5.00 CND in Canada). All players entering the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day event must receive this amount in commensurate prizing. For example, it could be one (1) Astral Pack, or one (1) booster pack and one (1) Star Pack, etc.

Sales tax may not be charged on top of the entry fee for the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day. 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 the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day tournament?

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

- First place winner, after the conclusion of the last round of Swiss, will receive an exclusive Yu-Gi-Oh! Day full size Game Mat.
- Top 8 Duelists, after the conclusion of the last round of Swiss, will each receive an exclusive Yu-Gi-Oh! Day Super Rare Token Card.
- At the OTS's discretion, the above prizes may be supplemented with additional Yu-Gi-Oh! TCG product or accessories.

Q: What is the format for the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day tournament?

All Yu-Gi-Oh! Day events are Tier 1 events, conducted as Advanced Format, Constructed Deck, Swiss round events. The Yu-Gi-Oh! Day will play Swiss Rounds, with no Playoff top cut, with prizes awarded at the end of the final Swiss round played. 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	None
17 – 32	5 Rounds of Swiss	None
33 – 64	6 Rounds of Swiss	None
65 – 128	7 Rounds of Swiss	None
129 or more	7 Rounds of Swiss	None

*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.

- **Example:** After registration closes, 63 Duelists have registered for the tournament. This means that the tournament will have 6 Rounds of Swiss, with no 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, with no Playoff cut.

These events are Tier 1 events and will use the appropriate End of Match Procedures for a Tier 1 events during Swiss Rounds. This means that Matches will not have Draws at this level.

Q: Can I get a COSSY ID number at the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day tournament, or will I need to have one before I attend the event?

If you do not have a COSSY ID number, you can get one at the event. If you already have a COSSY 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 COSSY IDs if the previous ID can be found.

Duelists are not required to have their actual COSSY ID card to participate as long as the COSSY ID number is provided, though it is encouraged.

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

Duelists participating in a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day may have to turn in a completed Deck List in order to participate. Please check with the OTS if they are requiring Deck Lists for their event and 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 COSSY 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. The Advanced Format list changes periodically (the next change is effective July 14th, 2014). 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.

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

- Have a Deck that meets the current Advanced Format criteria.
- Have a COSSY 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 Official or Sanctioned 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, and Tournament Organizer.

Event Staff or Judge Staff who participate in a tournament for which they are listed as staff, will be subject to penalties, up to and including suspension from KDE Organized Play.

Suspended persons may not enter the venue of a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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.

Q: What will I need to bring to a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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 COSSY 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: What if I lost an item at a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day tournament?

Duelists are responsible for looking after their own belongings at the event. Konami Digital Entertainment, Tournament Organizers, 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 have 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 Yu-Gi-Oh! Day tournament?

Duelists wishing to register for a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day will be required to complete a registration form at the event. Duelists will be required to present their COSSY 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! Day. 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 COSSY 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! Day. Initials to replace the First or Last Names may not be used when registering for a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day.

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

Yu-Gi-Oh! Days are Tier 1 tournaments, and attract both casual and competitive Duelists who wish to celebrate the Yu-Gi-Oh! brand.

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 COSSY 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 COSSY 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 COSSY 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 COSSY ID, you can register for the tournament.

Please arrive early enough before the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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.

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 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! Day 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! Day or any other Official or Sanctioned event.

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

In order to judge at a Yu-Gi-Oh! Day, 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! Day.

If you're interested in judging, you should contact the OTS for the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day as soon as possible (use the contact number provided in the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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! Day?

Your best resource for answers about a specific Yu-Gi-Oh! Day event is the contact number listed on the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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! Days, 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: How long will the Yu-Gi-Oh! Day 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 1 Events)

During Swiss 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 Swiss rounds 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 Tier 1 events. There must always be a winner.

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

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

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

If you attended one of our Yu-Gi-Oh! Days 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! Day Feedback [Store Name, City, & State]". 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! Day you attended, including store name, city, and state.