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Call of Duty World League (CWL) Championship 2017, Presented by PlayStation®4, Begins Today in Orlando

Premier Call of Duty Competition from Activision - the World's Largest Console Esport - Brings Together Top 32 Teams from North America, Europe and Asia-Pacific to Compete for Share of \$1.5M Prize Pool at the Amway Center

The Culmination of a \$4 Million Season Prize Pool, the Largest in Call of Duty Esports History

Catch the Action Online, August 9-13, on MLG

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Over 19,000 Call of Duty players - the world's largest console esport - competed throughout the year and only 32 teams have emerged to face off at the 2017 Call of Duty World League (CWL) Championship, Presented by PlayStation®4, beginning today at the Amway Center in Orlando, Florida. Hosted by Major League Gaming Corp. (MLG) in partnership with Activision Publishing, Inc., the world's best teams from North America, Europe, and the Asia-Pacific region (APAC) will compete for their share of the \$1.5 million event prize pool, the title of 2017 CWL Champions and to be named the best Call of Duty esports team in the world. This week's championship also completes the biggest yearly prize pool in Call of Duty history with \$4 million in total prize pursing.

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"It's been a great year for the Call of Duty World League with more players competing than ever before across the pro and amateur circuits," said Rob Kostich, executive vice president and general manager, Call of Duty. "And through our partnership with MLG, we've also continued to raise the bar in event broadcast production delivering hundreds of hours of content for viewing on MLG.tv. From the millions of fans who play and watch worldwide, it all comes down to this, an epic week featuring the top 32 teams competing at the highest level."

Marking the first time that this event for the world's largest console esport takes place on the East Coast, the 2017 CWL Championship features all of the top qualifying teams across the world based on CWL Pro Points, including CWL Global Pro League Stage 1 Playoffs winner Splyce and CWL Anaheim Open Champions Luminosity. CWL Global Pro League Stage 2 Playoffs winners OpTic Gaming will also take the stage in an all-out clash for the championship.

Here are the groups for the 2017 CWL Championship:

<u>GROUP A</u>	<u>GROUP B</u>	<u>GROUP C</u>	<u>GROUP D</u>
OpTic Gaming	Team EnVyUs	EUnited	Luminosity
Epsilon Esports	Elevate	Mindfreak	Rise Nation
Echo Fox	Projekt Evil	Team Infused	Supremacy
3sUp	Mindfreak Black	Lethal Gaming	Team Vitality
<u>GROUP E</u>	<u>GROUP F</u>	<u>GROUP G</u>	<u>GROUP H</u>
FaZe Clan	Fnatic	Splyce	Enigma6
Red Reserve	Evil Geniuses	Ghost Gaming	Cloud9
Allegiance	Str8 Rippin	Millenium	Team MRN Black
Era Eternity	Tainted Minds	Team Kaliber	Rogue

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For those interested in attending the CWL Stage Two Playoffs, General Admission (GA), three-day tickets, are currently [available online](#) for \$53.99 (plus fees and taxes), while supplies last. The tickets will also be offered on a first-come, first-served basis at the Amway Center in Orlando, Florida. Fans can view all the action this week online at MLG.tv/CallofDuty.

For the latest intel on the Call of Duty World League Presented by PlayStation®4 and for live broadcasts check out: <http://www.callofduty.com/cwl>, tv.majorleaguegaming.com/channel/cwl, www.youtube.com/majorleaguegaming, or follow @CODWorldLeague on Twitter, [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

Activision and MLG (both part of Activision Blizzard) join forces with PlayStation®4 to bring Call of Duty World League to a global audience, with the goal of providing fans the best Esports experience at live events and broadcast on mlg.tv/callofduty. Activision Publishing, Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Activision Blizzard, Inc. (NASDAQ: [ATVI](#)).

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