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Call of Duty World League Takes over New Orleans

City Hosts Second Open Event of the Season for Call of Duty World League, Presented by PlayStation®4

Teams from North America, Europe and the Asia-Pacific Region to Contend for \$200,000 Event Prize Pool as Part of \$4.2 Million CWL Season Prize Purse

Qualifications for Upcoming CWL Pro League Starting Later this Month also at Stake

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The second open tournament of the 2018 Call of Duty World League season, presented by PlayStation®4, gets underway today through Sunday (January 12 - 14) at the CWL New Orleans Open. *Call of Duty®* esports teams from around the world, including teams from North America, Europe and the Asia-Pacific region (APAC), will visit the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans to battle for the open event championship and a share of the event prize pool as part of the CWL largest season long prize purse in league history, topping \$4.2 million.

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The top four teams from the open winners' bracket will join pool play tomorrow. Those winning teams will then move on to compete on Sunday in the championship bracket, for a \$200,000 event prize pool and the title of CWL New Orleans Open Champion.

"This season of the CWL already has seen tremendous growth, matching last season's overall number of online participants in the first month of the new season. We cannot wait for the action to begin this weekend with our visit to New Orleans," said Call of Duty Esports Director, Kevin Flynn. "CWL New Orleans is an important event for the overall 2018 Call of Duty World League season. In addition to the prize purse at stake, the results at this open event also will help determine the teams we see during our CWL Pro League series, which begins later this month."

CWL Dallas Open Champion Team Kaliber will be the team to watch, as it attempts to take its second championship of the season against fierce competition.

Results at CWL New Orleans Open will help determine sixteen qualifying teams for the CWL Pro League, a nine-week tournament series at the MLG Arena in Columbus, Ohio, beginning January 23. The second-ever CWL Pro League offers a \$200,000 prize pool for teams that qualify for the series and the ability to earn a spot in the Stage 1 playoff series, which carries a \$500,000 event prize pool.

CWL New Orleans Open tickets are available in multiple varieties. General admission passes for the event are available for \$59.99 (plus applicable fees and taxes). A Premium Pass for the event is also available for \$89.99 (plus applicable fees and taxes) and includes an event t-shirt and one month of MLG GameBattles Premium. A \$299.99 (plus applicable fees and taxes) VIP ticket is also available and includes an event t-shirt, event jacket, one-hour early entrance to the venue, access to the VIP Lounge and more. For tickets, visit MLG.com/CWLNOLA.

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