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EA Sports NHL® 19 Revealed with All-Star Defenseman P.K. Subban as Cover Athlete at the 2018 NHL Awards™

NHL® 19 Returns to the Roots of Hockey with Outdoor Rinks, Over 200 Playable Hockey Legends, And Cutting-Edge New Gameplay Technology

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LAS VEGAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Electronic Arts Inc. (NASDAQ: EA) today unveiled the first look at *EA SPORTS™ NHL® 19* to hockey fans at the 2018 NHL Awards™ presented by Hulu in Las Vegas. Electronic Arts also revealed Nashville Predators' Norris Trophy-winning defenseman and Olympic gold-medalist, P.K. Subban, as the *NHL® 19* cover athlete.

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For the first time in franchise history, *NHL® 19* allows players to journey from the pond to the pros and play on outdoor rinks in new and returning game modes. Players can create a character and express their look and playstyle with over 900 new customization items including, for the first time, lifestyle apparel inspired by pond hockey. On the ice, the cutting-edge animation technology *Real Player Motion (RPM) Tech* delivers explosive-edge skating with more acceleration and responsiveness that looks and feels better. *NHL® 19* also lets players compete with and against over 200 of the greatest hockey legends to ever play the sport, including Wayne Gretzky.

"Growing up, and still to this day, my friends and I love seeing who is on the cover and ultimately getting to play the game," said Subban. "Being the cover athlete for *NHL 19*, for me, represents growth within our sport, embracing different personalities, and showing that anything is possible. I'm

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honored to be able to sport the Smashville colors on this year's cover."

In *NHL® 19*, the sport returns to the ponds where players can compete under a unified progression hub called *World of CHEL* that unites *EA SPORTS Hockey League*, *NHL THREES™ Drop In* and two new modes, *NHL ONES™* and *Pro-Am*. *NHL ONES™* pits three players against each other in a 1v1v1 free-for-all with no rules and no stoppages. Players can win to rank up to new outdoor locations and defend their position as king-of-the-hill. Players can also play in any *World of CHEL* mode to progress their online Create-A-Character, unlock rewards, and customize their look and their playstyle.

Powering the core of *NHL® 19* is cutting-edge gameplay technology, *RPM Tech*, which redefines the way movement and animations are captured. *RPM Tech* enables explosive-edge skating, giving players more control, faster acceleration and more responsiveness as they move up and down the ice. *RPM Tech* combines with a new collision physics system that

introduces more contextual body-checking, bringing bigger, badder, jaw-dropping hits that are dynamic based on speed, size and point of impact.

Fans can enjoy all that *NHL*[®] 19 has to offer while also paying tribute to stars of the past with the addition of Legends, featuring over 200 of hockey's greatest from all eras, including Wayne Gretzky. Players can compete as Hero Teams that combine squads of superstars from the past and present for an ultimate fantasy matchup. Play with the best of the best from all eras in both single-player and multiplayer modes.

The youthful expression of today's hockey is also represented in *NHL*[®] 19 where, for the first time, players can create a unique look with lifestyle gear and clothing, including hoodies, jackets, parkas, and knits from hockey lifestyle brands and unique custom designs. New playstyle classes and player traits also let players customize the way they perform on the ice, allowing fans the freedom to create and compete as the players they've always wanted to be.

NHL[®] 19 is available on September 14, 2018 for PlayStation 4 computer entertainment system and Xbox One. Be first in line to compete from the pond to the pros, unlocking the full game three days early on September 11, 2018 when you pre-order the *NHL*[®]19 Legends Edition and *NHL*[®]19 Ultimate Edition*! In addition, EA Access members can play for up to 10 hours starting September 6, 2018 with the EA Access Play First Trial.** For more information on EA SPORTS NHL, visit the website at www.easports.com/NHL.

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