

2000 Magic: The Gathering Amateur Championships

Sideboard Staff

Magic For Life for the M:TG Amateur Champion!

Origins Game Convention will host the inaugural **Magic: The Gathering** Amateur Championships.



Who can participate?

Players who have ever earned any Pro Points may **not** participate. Any player without Pro Points is eligible to compete at the Amateur Championships. Pro Points are received by participating in a Pro Tour or by placing well at a Grand Prix tournament. A list of players with at least one lifetime Pro Point (and therefore ineligible to compete in the Amateur Championship) will be posted on the *Sideboard Online* website on June 1st, 2000.

When is the event?

Saturday, July 15th, 2000. Players check in for the event and turn in decklists at 9:00 am.

Where is the event?

Origins Game Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

What are the prizes?

- **Winner:** The Amateur Champion will receive the grand prize of **Magic** for Life. The Champion will receive one display of boosters from each **Magic**expert expansion for the rest of their life.
- **Top Eight:** The top 8 finishing players in the tournament will receive **Magic**for a Year. They will receive one display of boosters from each **Magic**expert expansion for the next year.
- **Top Sixteen:** The top 16 players (including the winner and top 8 players) will receive a display of *Prophecy* boosters.
- **Participation Prize:** Every player who participates in the tournament will receive a promotional foil card. This will be a *Classic* (Sixth Edition)

River Boa card (originally featured for the inaugural month of **Friday Night Magic**).

What is the structure?

The entry fee is \$10. The tournament will be run with a number of Swiss rounds depending on the number of players who attend the event. The top 8 players after the Swiss rounds will then play of in a single-elimination structure to determine the Amateur Champion.

What is the format?

The format for the event is the Standard constructed format. Each deck must be 60 cards minimum and each player may have a 15-card sideboard.

The following card sets will be legal for use at the 2000 **M:TG** Amateur Championships:

- *Classic* (Sixth Edition)
- *Urza's Saga*
- *Urza's Legacy*
- *Urza's Destiny*
- *Mercadian Masques*
- *Nemesis*
- *Prophecy*

The following cards are banned in the Standard format:

- Fluctuator
- Memory Jar
- Time Spiral
- Tolarian Academy
- Windfall