

## **Call of Duty: Modern Warfare Available Now**

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One of the Most Celebrated Series in Gaming Returns with Groundbreaking Experience

Unites Call of Duty Community with Crossplay, Cross Progression, and Removal of Season Pass with Free Post-Launch Multiplayer Maps and Modes Coming to All Platforms

New Engine Raises the Bar Delivering Stunning, Photo-Real Experience

Debut Title for All-New Call of Duty League, Featuring 12 Global Teams and the Best Call of Duty Esports Players from Around the World

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 25, 2019-- The wait is over! Today, the highly-anticipated *Call of Duty*®: *Modern Warfare*® is available worldwide. Published by Activision, and developed by Infinity Ward, *Modern Warfare* drops players into an epic reimagining of one of the most iconic series in gaming history. Activision's new thriller unites the massive *Call of Duty* community to play together through crossplay and cross progression support, and to enjoy a load of new post-release content coming free for all players on all platforms.

"The energy across the community has been incredible and we can't wait for all of our fans to play together, starting today," said Patrick Kelly, Co-Studio Head and Creative Director, Infinity Ward. "Modern Warfare is packed with campaign, multiplayer, and co-op content; with something for everyone no matter what playstyle. And launch is just the beginning for us."

Modern Warfare features unified progression across the entire game, as players enlist in an epic story campaign, engage in the ultimate online multiplayer playground, and play cooperatively with friends in an all-new collection of Special Ops experiences.

"There's nothing quite like *Modern Warfare* – this is one of the most celebrated series in gaming – and in reimaging this great title, Infinity Ward has delivered an incredible, new experience that raises the bar for this franchise," said Byron Beede, Executive Vice President and General Manager, *Call of Duty*, Activision. "The momentum behind this release has been extraordinary, and today is only the start. There's so much more to come. This is a great day for *Call of Duty* fans everywhere."

Coming off the largest beta in *Call of Duty* History and awarded "Best Online Multiplayer" by Game Critics Best of E3 2019, *Modern Warfare's* multiplayer delivers a heart-pumping experience with best-in-class down the barrel gameplay. With unprecedented variety, players can choose from an array of new play spaces that refine *Call of Duty* multiplayer. These include the highly praised, fast-action 2v2 Gunfight, classic 6v6 multiplayer, epic large-scale maps supporting high player counts, and everything in between. Players will be able to customize the way they play based on their preference and playstyles through a selection of multiplayer Operators and unparalleled modifiability in the new Gunsmith system.

In the gripping single player story, players will immerse themselves in a visceral narrative that shines a light on the changing nature of modern war. Alongside a cast of international special forces and freedom fighters, fans take the role of tier one operators in a saga that will affect the global balance of power. Additionally, picking up where the Campaign ends is the cooperative Special Ops mode where players can team up in strike-teams of four. Special Ops advances the overarching *Modern Warfare* lore with multiple ways to play co-op, including Operations, the largest and most involved experience with multi-phased objectives, and the more curated Classic Special Ops, to test your performance with weapons, munitions and other tools.

Call of Duty: Modern Warfare features a new engine delivering an immersive and photo-realistic experience across the entire game. The new technology utilizes the latest advancements in visual engineering, including a physically-based material system allowing for state-of-the-art photogrammetry, a new hybrid tile based streaming system, new PBR decal rendering system, world volumetric lighting, 4K HDR, DirectX Raytracing (PC) and more as well as a new GPU geometry pipeline. Spectral rendering delivers thermal heat radiation and infrared identification for both thermal and night-vision in-game imaging. The technical investment made provides a cutting-edge animation system and blend shape system, while the new suite of audio tools allows for full Dolby ATMOS support, on supported platforms, along with the latest in audio simulation effects.

With *Modern Warfare* as the debut title, the inaugural season of *Call of Duty League* ™ will kick off home vs. away match play in early 2020. The league includes 12 teams from four countries and spotlights the best *Call of Duty* esports players from around the world. Learn more at CallofDutyLeague.com.

Call of Duty: Modern Warfare comes in the following editions:

- Standard Edition and Digital Standard Edition Suggested Retail Price (SRP) \$59.99
- Call of Duty Endowment (C.O.D.E.) Edition Supports veterans through the Call of Duty Endowment, SRP \$59.99, exclusively available at GameStop in the US
- Digital Operator Edition Operator Packs and more, SRP \$79.99
- Digital Operator Enhanced Edition Operator Packs, Call of Duty Points, and more, SRP \$99.99
- Precision Edition Operator Packs and more, SRP \$99.99
- Dark Edition Collectible Night Vision Goggles and more, SRP \$199.99

Check local retailers for availability of all Call of Duty: Modern Warfare editions.

Activision Blizzard Consumer Products Group (ABCPG) is bringing more ways for the Call of Duty community to interact with the brand. Fans can

celebrate the return of *Modern Warfare* with new premier collaborations such as the international streetwear brand DRKN *Call of Duty* capsule collection, McFarlane Toys *Call of Duty* line, and SCUF Gaming *Modern Warfare* inspired controller. Enthusiasts can also purchase exclusive apparel, video game accessories, collectibles, homeware, action figures, and merchandise crates from Astro, KontrolFreek, and Pyramid International at major and select retailers globally.

Call of Duty: Modern Warfare is available now on PlayStation 4, Xbox One, and PC. The title features a fully-optimized PC version, developed in partnership with Beenox, which will be available exclusively on Blizzard Battle.net<sup>®</sup>, Blizzard Entertainment's online gaming platform. Call of Duty: Modern Warfare is published by Activision, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Activision Blizzard (NASDAQ: ATVI) with development led by award-winning developer Infinity Ward, and additional development support from Beenox, High-Moon Studios, Raven Software and Sledgehammer Games.

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