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the players forgive too easily and too quickly, they will embedden WOTC to try something else.(Image credit: Wizards of the Coast)The future of the hobby depends on the whole affair seem to be maintaining the new distance between them and WOTC. Plans made on the assumption that the new OGL would be forced through aren't being abandoned now, that the drama's over, the new push for greater independence seems to have as much momentum as ever. From Cubicle 7 (publisher of the official Warhammer RPGs as well as D&D content) continuing with plans to create its own new D&D-compatible system for its books, to major third-party D&D publisher Kobold Press declaring "No white flag!" over its plans to similarly create its own new game, to Pathfinder creator Paizo remaining bullish about its rival license and huge alliance of other RPG companies, there's a sea change here that won't be undone by any corporate apology. And it seems to be backed up by players, who are reportedly flocking to new games so much so that Chaosium, creators of Call of Cthulhu, claims it's been cleared out of stock.(Image credit: Chaosium)Does that mean we're on the cusp of D&D's near-monopoly on the market being broken? Well, no, and I still have the same concerns that, for all the benefits the original OGL carries, its continued existence plays a huge part in maintaining D&D's overwhelming dominance. This U-turn from WOTC is a victory for many, but it does ensure to some degree the continuation of a status quo that stifles independence and creativity in the wider tabletop space. But even if D&D's grip is still strong, it has at least been loosened a little, for the first time since fourth edition. The invulnerable dragon has been poked in the eye and lost some treasures from its hoard, and the fringes on which other TTRPG creators exist have widened a little. If we know anything about that lot, it's that they can achieve amazing things with only a tiny bit of wiggle room. WOTC's grand screw-up will go down in tabletop history and, even after the dramatic reversal, it looks like it's still planted the seed of a more diverse and interesting future for the hobby. Share copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. Adapt remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. The licensor cannot revoke these freedoms as long as you follow the license terms. Attribution You must give appropriate credit , provide a link to the license, and indicate if changes were made . You may do so in any reasonable manner, but not in any way that suggests the licensor endorses you or your use. ShareAlike If you remix, transform, or build upon the material, you must distribute your contributions under the same license as the original. No additional restrictions You may not apply legal terms or technological measures that legally restrict others from doing anything the license permits. You do not have to comply with the license for elements of the material in the public domain or where your use is permitted by an applicable exception or limitation . No warranties are given. The license may not give you all of the permissions necessary for your intended use. For example, other rights such as publicity, privacy, or moral rights may limit how you use the material. Image via Critical Role Critical Roll rolls their dice into the D&D OGL debate. | Published: Jan 13, 2023 06:14 pm It has been a rocky few weeks for Dungeons and Dragons and its publisher, Wizards of the Coast. After the firm announced that it would be replacing its Open Gaming License (OGL) with a new and much more restrictive version called OGL 1.1, fans have been angrily demanding that the company reverse course. Many have been waiting for the popular stream Critical Role to weigh in, as the stream is often seen as the public face of the modern Dungeons and Dragons scene. Today, Wizards of the Coast posted an update that announced that the planned changes to the OGL would be pushed back and the company would be revising its plans, one that quickly went viral for featuring the statement: Second, you're going to hear people say that they won, and we lost because making your voices heard forced us to change our plans. Those people will only be half right. They won and so did we. Soon after this, Critical Role posted a statement on its Twitter account in the form of a simple image. This statement reads: This statement reads: Critical Role has always supported creators and game development in the tabletop space. We stand by our industry peers, as well as anyone who takes a risk creating a new system or developing an original idea. The beauty of gaming comes from the opportunity to share inclusive, diverse, and compelling stories from a wide spectrum of creators. That's exactly why we launched our own game publishing company a few years ago because we believe that broadening the field of creators boosts the entire industry. The success we have experienced is thanks to the passion and interest of the greater tabletop community and we commit to fostering an environment that allows everyone the opportunity to easily share the stories they wish to tell. Critical Role However, early responses to the tweet are mixed, with many fans arguing that this statement says little to nothing, with several Twitter users describing it as intentionally vague. Guys, sorry, I love you, but this is literally nothing. If you can't really say anything because you don't want to or can't, then sometimes it's better to remain silent than to make empty statements just for show. Kashkadavr (neverending BG3 brainrot) (@kashkadavr) January 13, 2023 I suppose, to me the statement reads as one that is intentionally vague as an attempt to please both sides, in that regard not making a statement may have been the better option, as many people are gonna see it as a useless or even hostile statement without clear stances. Lin~ (Legitimate professional comic author) (@LinSquiggly) January 13, 2023 Others note that, due to Critical Role's ties with Wizards of the Coast, the group is likely limited in what they can say, with some praising the group for even risking making a statement. We get it. Legal stuff is keeping your hands tied, but you're saying what you can without endangering your employees. We hear you. We see where your heart stands, and it means a lot. Thank you for this. Mama Newt | Customer Art Spots (@LuckyNewtGames) January 13, 2023 The changes to the OGL and the fan fallout from it are a quickly developing story, so this will likely have several more twists and turns over the coming weeks as Wizards of the Coast and the various firms that work in and alongside D&D decide their next moves. We Got This Covered is supported by our audience. When you purchase through links on our site, we may earn a small affiliate commission. Learn more about our Affiliate Policy The best Dungeons & Dragons adventures I've ever had whether as the Dungeon Master guiding the story or as a player experiencing it have been original homebrew creations not published by Wizards of the Coast. Sure, they might adapt locations and storylines from official materials and use the games' core systems, but it's wholly original content. In some cases, the creative process is akin to writing a novel or video game, and some of the best content creators make a living producing and reselling remixes of existing storylines or entire unique adventures. But now, Wizards of the Coast and parent company Hasbro is poised to put major restrictions on this type of content and the community is not happy about it. [Wizards of the Coast] has shown that they are the dragon on top of the hoard, willing to burn the thriving village if only to get a few more gold pieces, an impassioned open letter published January 8 reads. It's time for us to band together as adventurers to defend our village from the terrible wyrm. So how did Wizards of the Coast go from beloved publisher to the villain of the D&D community? Let's dive in. UPDATE (11 a.m. Eastern, 1/13/23): After a week of growing tensions, petitions, and boycotts over the leaked contents of the Open Game License (OGL) 1.1 that establishes the guidelines for creating third-party content based on Dungeons & Dragons, publisher Wizards of the Coast issued a statement via D&D Beyond clarifying the company's intent. In short, the statement promises to course-correct away from some of the OGL 1.1 drafts' most controversial facets. All pre-existing content will remain covered under the terms of the original OGL, content creators will retain ownership over their own materials, and royalty structures have been removed. The original article continues below: What Happened Back in August 2022, Wizards of the Coast revealed ambitious plans for One D&D, a major backward-compatible update to the existing 5th edition that incorporates new digital resources. The wider D&D community eventually vocalized concerns about how it might impact the creation of third-party materials and content. The existing Open Game License (OGL) is a public copyright license that, with some reasonable restrictions, allows anyone to publish and sell royalty-free D&D materials. This open approach to game design has played a significant role in the games' growing popularity in recent years. But how might that change in the new era of D&D? By December 2022, Wizards confirmed that the OGL version 1.1 was in development, and io9 reported the controversial details of a leaked version of the document on January 5. The document, which is allegedly ten times as long as the previous OGL, de-authorizes the original and puts far more restrictions on the monetization of third-party content while stifling a thriving creative community. On January 8, a group of third-party publishers led by Mike Holik of Mage Hand Press revealed the #OpenDND internet campaign which includes an open letter and petition that stands directly opposed to the OGL 1.1. It means Kickstarter will in turn receive more revenue. The vast majority of these content creators will use Kickstarter simply because it is the cheaper option. Among the most controversial changes in OGL 1.1, however, is the requirement that, regardless of how much revenue the creator earns, they have to register their content with Wizards of the Coast and provide the company with a copy. It also grants Wizards a sweeping nonexclusive, perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide, sub-licensable, royalty-free license to use that content for any purpose. In other words, if a person writes a really cool adventure under this license and makes \$26 off of a few people buying it, but then it catches the eye of a game designer at Wizards, the company could technically use that content however it wants without paying the creator. A wizard summons a giant sea creature. Shutterstock The bigger picture When we zoom out to reflect on the bigger picture, the trend here is readily apparent: Wizards of the Coast seems well aware of what has driven the success of Dungeons & Dragons in recent years, and its looking to consolidate or replace various third-party resources under one corporate umbrella. As the #OpenDND letter puts it, "The OGL has done more to foster creativity and innovation in the tabletop gaming ecosystem than any other element. That's true, and the OGL 1.1 would functionally give Wizards more control over the content, its distribution, and the money generated. Platforms like D&D Beyond allow players to organize resources, including entire sourcebooks and character sheets. A core tenet of Wizards' new One D&D initiative involves incorporating D&D Beyond more effectively following an April 2022 acquisition. Particularly in the last three years, digital tabletop resources like Roll20 have been vital to keeping the adventures going, simulating a game table in an interactive digital space. But resources like these potentially cannot operate using D&D under OGL 1.1, depending on what the final language looks like. While it remains to be seen exactly what the updated terms might mean for different platforms, this could be a major blow that directly impacts my own table that's been playing weekly via Roll20 for six years. Here's the crucial moment on Roll20 when one of my characters, Chainer, was knocked out by a rifleman. Roll20 We have a long-standing custom agreement with Wizards of the Coast, a representative from Roll20 tells Inverse. We will continue to sell officially-licensed Dungeons & Dragons adventures and expect to continue offering third-party OGL content on Roll20 plus support hundreds of other systems and creators who choose to make custom rulesets. While that may be the case, the One D&D initiative also includes an in-development fully immersive 3D playspace with a suite of creative tools and D&D Beyond integration. Ill gladly try it out, and if my table prefers it, we might migrate. But that doesn't negate the fact that the OGL 1.1 potentially threatens how many D&D fans have experienced the game for years now. And, if I ever want to formally publish anything set in my campaign setting called the Realm of the Dreamweaver, Ill have to be very careful about where and how I publish it lest Wizards of the Coast take more of my gold. Based on OGL 1.1, the One D&D era is starting to feel more about control, money, and the control of money. 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