



Regional Territorial Command North Rhine-Westphalia



Invitation to the

39th International Mönchengladbach Military Competition (IMMC)

on 30 September 2023

at Schloss Rheydt, Mönchengladbach



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1. General information

The International Mönchengladbach Military Competition is the longest-running multi-event competition of the Bundeswehr held on a regular basis (it only had to be cancelled once, in 2020, due to Covid-19). This year, the IMMC will take place for the 39th time. It is a challenging endurance test that requires not only strength and physical fitness but also a great deal of brain power from all participants. In the course of the competition, contestants must demonstrate a variety of skills and abilities, which is why they have to be in excellent shape – and this not only applies to service members.

2. Organisation

Regional Territorial Command North Rhine-Westphalia in cooperation with the North Rhine-Westphalia Chapter of the Bundeswehr Reservist Association.

3. Preparation and execution

Regional Territorial Command North Rhine-Westphalia in cooperation with the Lower Rhine District Group in the Bundeswehr Reservist Association, assisted by the Federal Agency for Technical Relief (Technisches Hilfswerk – THW), the German Red Cross and the Mönchengladbach branch of the humanitarian aid organisation Johanniter-Unfall-Hilfe (JUH).

4. Participants

Participation is open to reservists and active-duty military personnel of the Bundeswehr, foreign service members and reservists as well as personnel from authorities / organisations exercising security-related functions.

5. Patronage

Felix Heinrichs, Lord Mayor of the City of Mönchengladbach

6. Competition date

30 September 2023

7. Registration and in-processing

Irrespective of their scheduled start times, the arrival and in-processing of the competing teams must be completed by 2000 hours on Friday, 29 September 2023, or by 0700 hours on Saturday, 30 September 2023, at the very latest.

8. Reception point

Bezirkssportanlage Geneicken (Geneicken community sports ground), Schlossstraße 330, 41238 Mönchengladbach

9. Team strength

Each team will comprise four (4) members. Mixed teams are permitted and particularly welcome. The team status in terms of the respective category must be stated at the time of registration.

There are no specific requirements regarding the composition of the teams as to rank and gender. As in the past, it will be possible to fill incomplete teams to full strength by other contestants at the reception point. However, only complete teams will be allowed to enter the competition. The number of teams is limited to fifty (50).

10.Competition events

Shooting contest, general military knowledge, security policy, obstacle course, first aid, climbing, dinghy ride, as well as other team challenges.

11. Team categories and prizes

Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded in the following seven (7) team categories:

Overall winner (= team winning the Competition), foreign teams (active-duty personnel), foreign teams (reserve personnel), Bundeswehr teams (active-duty personnel), Bundeswehr teams (reserve personnel), Police / Customs / Legal teams as well as THW / Fire brigade / Emergency medical services teams.

In addition, the best team in the overall ranking will receive a special award by the Federal Minister of Defence, and the best foreign team (whether active-duty or reserve personnel) will be awarded the Prize of the Lord Mayor of the City of Mönchengladbach.

12. Dress and equipment

Bundeswehr military personnel: Field dress IAW General Publication A1-2630/0-9804 Military personnel of friendly armed forces: according to their national dress code Civilian organisations: Sturdy clothing IAW with the dress code of the respective organisation

For the transport of the equipment provided by the organiser, each team has to carry a backpack of approx. 65 litres volume. No weapons or luggage will be carried during the march.

Contestants are strongly recommended to bring an extra field dress / service dress for the awards ceremony.

13. Registration

must be made by <u>08 September 2023</u> via the following website: <u>www.imm-bundeswehr.de</u>

As participation is limited to fifty (50) teams, registrations will be considered in the order of receipt.

Unfortunately, late registrations cannot be accepted. Participating teams will be notified in writing and provided with additional information.

Bundeswehr reservists are requested to also register with their sergeant in charge of reservist affairs.

14.Meals

Meals will be provided as requested upon registration (and, depending on the status, against payment).

15. Accommodation

Limited space for overnight stay(s) will be available free of charge in team tents at Geneicken community sports ground; places will be assigned in the order of registration. Field beds cannot be made available! Please bring a sleeping bag and a camping mat. You can also pitch your own tent on the lawn of Geneicken

community sports ground. Shower facilities are available at the sports ground. If you wish to check for other options, please do so on your own initiative.

16. Entry fees

Entry fees will not be charged.

17.Note for reservists

The callup and invitation of Bundeswehr reservists eligible under military law is the sole responsibility of the Regional Territorial Command North Rhine-Westphalia. For this purpose, all necessary information must be submitted to the Regional Territorial Command immediately upon registration by the sergeant in charge of reservist affairs.

18. Note for active-duty service members

Bundeswehr service members participating in the Competition must present a declaration of consent of their disciplinary superior. The sending units shall be responsible for the settlement of travel expenses incurred by service members.

19. Note for foreign service members

We would like to point out that the legal status of active-duty and reserve personnel from NATO nations is based on the NATO Status of Forces Agreement.

Furthermore, we kindly ask you to submit a request for visit/entry through your military attaché should you accept the invitation to participate.

- All information subject to change -

For more information and the latest updates on the event, please visit our website at <u>www.imm-bundeswehr.de</u>.



