



Short announcement

41st International Mönchengladbach Military Competition (IMM)

Niederrhein Challenge



20th September 2025 Mönchengladbach / Rheindahlen

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Brief announcement for the 41st International Mönchengladbach Military Competition (IMM)

1. General

The IMM is the oldest, regularly held eventing competition in the German Armed Forces. This year it is being held for the 41st time. The IMM is a challenging endurance test that requires not only strength and fitness, but also brains. Different skills and abilities are required. To take part in the competition, you don't just have to be in top shape as a soldier.

2. Purpose of the event

Improving physical performance and military skills and abilities and strengthening cooperation between German and foreign soldiers. Cooperation with aid organizations and increasing the attractiveness of the reserve.

3. Organizer

Lower Rhine District Group of the Association of Reservists of the German Armed Forces e.V. North Rhine-Westphalia Regional Group and the Armed Forces Office (SKA) of the German Armed Forces in Bonn.





4. Preparation and implementation

Armed Forces Office (SKA) and the Lower Rhine District Group of the Association of Reservists of the German Armed Forces, supported by the German Red Cross and the Mönchengladbach Kothausen Volunteer Fire Brigade, among others.

5. Participants

Reservists and soldiers of the Bundeswehr, foreign soldiers and foreign reservists, members of authorities and organizations with security tasks (BOS) are invited.

6. Patronage

Felix Heinrichs, Lord Mayor of the City of Mönchengladbach

7. Date of competition

20th September 2025

8. Arrivial

The arrival and registration of the competition teams must be ensured - regardless of the allocated start times - on Friday, 19.09.2025 by 08:00 p.m. at the latest or on Saturday, 20.09.2025 by 07:00 a.m. at the latest.

9. Message header

Bundeswehr Motor Vehicles Center ZMK, FwRes hallway, Hardter Str. 9 in 41179 Mönchengladbach-Rheindahlen

The registration head is open for competition teams on Friday only from 13:00 - 20:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 05:00 to 10:00 a.m.

10. Team size

A team always consists of four (4) competitors. Mixed teams are possible and encouraged. The status of the team for the corresponding classification group must be bindingly stated upon registration.

The rank and gender composition is not mandatory. If possible, teams that are not complete can be supplemented by other competitors to full strength at the registration head. However, only complete teams may start. The number of teams is limited to fifty (50).

The absence of team members will result in exclusion from the team ranking.

11. Competition disciplines

with the G36 rifle and the P8 pistol, general military knowledge, express march, first aid, inflatable rafting and other team tasks.

12. Classification groups and prizes

Trophies will be awarded in the following categories:

Overall winner with trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Winner Bundeswehr (active + reserve)

Winner foreign teams

Winner best team police/customs/law enforcement/THW/fire brigade/rescue service

The overall winner will also receive the prize of the Federal Minister of Defense and the best foreign team (regardless of whether active or reserve) will also receive the special prize of the Mayor of Mönchengladbach.

All participants will receive a certificate and a medal.

13. Suit / equipment

Foreign soldiers: As above according to national dress code including gloves and helmet.

Participants must carry their own equipment with them on the march. The march takes place without weapons.

A second field suit / service uniform for the award ceremony is recommended.

14. Participation registration



Until 15.08.2025 via online form on the homepage www.imm-bundeswehr.de or directly via the following QR code

As participation is limited to fifty (50) teams, the order of registration applies.

Late registrations can no longer be considered. Registered teams will be notified in writing and will receive further information material.

15. Catering

Catering is provided against payment according to the registration.

Breakfast 2,17€

Lunch 4,13€

Dinner 4,13€

16. Accommodation

A limited number of places are available free of charge in a gym for the overnight stay(s). Places will be allocated in the order in which registrations are received. Camp beds are not available! Please bring your own sleeping bag and insulating mat. You will receive further information or changes in good time before the competition. Sanitary facilities and showers are available in the gym. You are responsible for finding and arranging other facilities.

17. Entry fee

Apart from the catering costs, no entry fees will be charged.

18. Information for foreign soldiers

We would like to point out that the legal status of soldiers and reservists from NATO countries is governed by the NATO Status of Forces Regulations.

In addition, we ask you to submit a visit application or application for entry via your responsible military attaché if you accept participation in accordance with your visit control procedure.

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The current status of the invitation to tender and further information on the competition can be found at www.imm-bundeswehr.de





