



INVITATION

YONEX German Open 2017
PART OF THE BWF GRAND PRIX GOLD SERIES
60th International German Badminton Championships 2017
in Mülheim an der Ruhr
(sanctioned by Badminton World Federation)

- 1. Patron** Mr Ulrich Scholten, Mayor of the City of Mülheim an der Ruhr
- 2. Presenter** Deutscher Badminton-Verband e.V. (DBV)
German Badminton Association
- 3. Promoter** Vermarktungsgesellschaft *Badminton* Deutschland mbH (VBD)
- 4. Organizer** 1. Badminton-Verein Mülheim an der Ruhr 1956 e.V. (1. BVM)
- 5. Main Sponsor** YONEX GmbH, 47877 Willich
- 6. Date** **Tuesday, 28th of February 2017, to Sunday, 5th of March 2017**
- 7. Venue** Innogy Sporthalle (former RWE Sporthalle)
An den Sportstätten 6
D - 45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr
- 8. Event Office** Event Office
YONEX German Open
c/o Deutscher Badminton-Verband e.V. (German Badminton Association)
Südstraße 25
D - 45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr
Tel.: + 49 208 308 27 - 19
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E-Mail: office@german-open-badminton.de
Web: www.german-open-badminton.de
- 9. Classification** BWF Grand Prix Gold Series Tournament
- 10. Prize money** US\$ 120,000
Distributed according BWF "Regulations for Grand Prix" 7.3.

<i>Event</i>	<i>Winners</i>	<i>Runners Up</i>	<i>Semi-finalist</i>	<i>Quarter-finalists</i>	<i>Last 16</i>
<i>Men's Singles</i>	9,000	4,560	1,740	720	420
<i>Women's Singles</i>	9,000	4,560	1,740	720	420
<i>Men's Doubles (Pair)</i>	9,480	4,560	1,680	870	450
<i>Women's Doubles(Pair)</i>	9,480	4,560	1,680	870	450
<i>Mixed Doubles(Pair)</i>	9,480	4,560	1,680	870	450

According to 7.13.1 of the BWF "Regulations for Grand Prix", tax to be paid to Mülheim an der Ruhr tax office will be retained from the prize money and paid directly.

- 11. World Ranking Points** World Ranking Points according to 6 of the BWF "Regulations for Grand Prix" and the World Ranking System.
- 12. Events** Men's Singles, Women's Singles,

Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles

13. Draw size

Men's Singles = 56 + 8 qualifiers
Women's Singles = 28 + 4 qualifiers
Men's Doubles = 28 + 4 qualifiers (pairs)
Women's Doubles = 28 + 4 qualifiers (pairs)
Mixed Doubles = 28 + 4 qualifiers (pairs)

14. Qualification

Tuesday, 28th of February 2017

Qualification in each event will be draw of 16.

Start of play will be based on the number of entries and will be published in the internet in time. Matches will be played on 5 courts.

Earliest start of play will be 9:00 a.m.

15. Main Tournament

Tuesday, 28.02.2017	from 17:00	1 st round MS	5 courts
Wednesday, 01.03.2017	from 9:00	1/32 Rounds	5 courts
Thursday, 02.03.2017	from 12:00	1/16 Rounds	4 courts
Friday, 03.03.2017	from 16:00	Quarterfinals	3 courts
Saturday, 04.03.2017	from 14:00	Semifinals	2 courts
Sunday, 05.03.2017	from 12:00	Finals	1 TV court

16. Tournament regulations

- 1) All matches will be played according to a fixed schedule.
- 2) The KO system will be used.
- 3) Rejections, schedule for qualification matches and for the main tournament will be successively published - together with the draw - at www.german-open-badminton.de.
- 4) All players should be ready to play 30 minutes before their scheduled match.
- 5) Changes in the draw and schedule are possible. They will be notified as early as possible and affected players will also be informed in time.

17. Closing date for entries

Tuesday, 24th of January 2017, 23.59 hours

BWF headquarters time (+08.00 hours GMT).

After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send notification to all participating Member Associations confirming the receipt of final entries.

Receipts of this notification are the conclusive evidence of receiving of entries before the deadline. The Member Associations should contact BWF

immediately if such notice is not received by Wednesday, 25th of January 2017 by 12 noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following close of entries.

If no objection is received by BWF till Thursday, 26th of January **23.59 hours**

BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following the close of entries, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints / objections shall be entertained after this point. All entries must be submitted by online entries only.

18. BWF Online Entry System

BWF is implementing the Online Entry System for this tournament and we seek your cooperation to ensure all entries are submitted before the closing date.

Member Associations are advised to log **YONEX German Open Badminton Championships 2017** at:

<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=620C95A0-5886-44BA-A773-260A5EC078D6>

and submit the entries by online.

You require a username and password to submit your entries. This can be obtained from BWF. Please contact M. S. Ramchandran:

s.ramchandran@bwfbadminton.org

The online entry page will immediately close on Tuesday, 17th of January 2017 at 23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) and you are required to submit the entries on time. Late entries will not be accepted.

No entry forms are required by Member Associations to submit by online entry.

- 19. Entries of German Players** Players from German Badminton Association have to follow different entry procedure. Please check German version of invitation accordingly.
- 20. Cancellation/withdrawal** In case of withdrawal (e.g. due to injury), the organizer has to be informed immediately. Any withdrawal made later than 30 days before the first scheduled match. A withdrawal fee according to BWF "Regulations for Grand Prix" will be charged. Last day for withdrawal: 5th of February 2017.
- 21. Key dates** **Draw: Tuesday, 7th of February 2017**
Notification at www.bwfbadminton.org and www.german-open-badminton.de
Main and Qualifying world ranking date: Thursday 26th of January 2017
Publish MQ date: Friday 27th of January 2017
Seeding world ranking date: Thursday 2nd of February 2017
Publish seeding: Friday 3rd of February 2017
Last date for withdrawal without penalty: Sunday 5th of February 2017
- 22. Referee** Monique Bastien (SUI), Email: mobastien@hotmail.com
- 23. Deputy Referee** Ivan Skacha (CZE), Email: ivan.skacha@volny.cz
- 24. Tournament Doctor** Dr. med. Nobert Möllers (GER), Dr. med. Erich Maly (GER)
- 25. Physiotherapy** Service for participating players free of charge.
- 26. Official tournament shuttle** YONEX Aerosensa (AS) 50
- 27. Clothing / Advertisements** According the actual BWF "General Competition Regulations".
- 28. Ceremonies** Players are not allowed to wear hats or caps during the presentation ceremonies. Rackets may not be carried during presentations. Tracksuits, or clothing as worn during play, will be allowed. No other form of advertising will be permitted. This regulation will be strictly enforced by our stewards prior to each ceremony.
- 29. Drug testing** Drug testing will be done according to BWF "Anti-Doping Regulations".
- 30. Practice facilities** Practice-courts will be offered from Sunday, 26th of February 2017 until Sunday, 5th of March 2017: Deutsches Badminton-Zentrum, Südstraße 23, 45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr.
The courts may be requested before the event starts by sending an email to office@german-open-badminton.de by Sunday 15th of February 2017. The organizer cannot guarantee that all requests will be granted.
- 31. Arrival/Departure** Transportation between Airport (Dusseldorf Airport (DUS)) or Mülheim main station to hotel/venue will be provided free of charge for international teams and players staying at the designated hotels booked via Event Office.
For all those who have **not** booked their hotel via Event Office we will charge a transport fee of 20 € each person. The fee has to be paid in cash when collecting your accreditation pass at the Info Point. For airport pick-up requests complete the General Request Form and emailing to office@german-open-badminton.de by 3rd of February 2017.
- Please note: Last opportunity for changing money is at Düsseldorf airport.
- 32. Press work** Dr. Claudia Pauli
E-Mail: claudia.pauli@cp-presse.de
Web: www.german-open-badminton.de under "News/Press"
- 33. Press accreditation address** Press accreditation must be made by mailing to Event Office office@german-open-badminton.de

34. Photo material

BWF has the right to use photographs, film material or any other image of players taken during events sanctioned by BWF.

35. Video recording

Written authorization for the use of any video equipment must be obtained in advance from the Event Office or at the Info Point (venue). Camera Badges must be clearly displayed. Security will confiscate cameras set up in incorrect positions or without a badge.

36. Accommodation

a) *Tournament Hotels*

Different Tournament hotels in walking distance to the venue will be offered.

Best Western

Hotel im Forum Mülheim (4-star category)

Hans-Böckler-Platz 19

45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr

single room 107 €

double room 137 €

Number of rooms available: 35

Hotel Thiesmann (4-star category)

Dimbeck 56

45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr

single room 107 €

double room 137 €

Number of rooms available: 34

Hotel Handelshof (3-star category)

Friedrichstraße 15-19

45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr

single room 81 €

double room 110 €

Number of rooms available: 29

Hotel Friederike (3-star category)

Friedrichstraße 32

45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr

single room 81 €

double room 110 €

Number of rooms available: 20

Hotel **not** within walking distance but accessible by public transport:

Hotel Kuhn (3-star-category)

Mellinghofer Straße 277

45475 Mülheim an der Ruhr

single room 75 €

double room 100 €

Number of rooms available: 25

The prices contain: Overnight stay/breakfast; complementary Wi-fi, service; airport transfer, value-added tax.

It is forbidden to cook in all hotels. Any misconduct will automatically result in costs which will be charged to the Association concerned!

Organizer will not be responsible for any loss in the hotels or in the venue.

b) Reservation

For hotel reservation complete the General Request Form until Friday, 3rd of February 2017 and email the completed form to:

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Reservations will be booked according to the order of receiving the reservation forms. We will inform you if the requested hotel/category is booked up.

Bookings entered later than Friday, 3rd of February 2017 can only be honoured if available and will be subject to a prize increase of 10 € per person and room.

In case of a cancellation booked accommodation will be charged to the Association concerned.

c) Payment

Mandatory for Hotel reservation:

A prepayment of 50% has to be made by bank transfer within 3 days after receiving the pro forma invoice.

We will not provide refunds to the pro forma invoice.

Please notice: Only for Hotel Thiesmann a 100% payment is required in advance. The prepayment will be offset with the final invoice of Hotel Thiesmann.

Bank and transfer costs are charged to the payee. They won't be covered by the recipient.

37. Visa

For visa request complete the VISA Form ([link to BWF event calendar](#)) and email the completed form to office@german-open-badminton.de

38. Accreditation

Please note that there will be photographic accreditation.

Entry into the venue will be controlled by accreditation passes. Accreditation passes can be collected at the Info Point (during hall opening hours) or after the Team Managers Meeting.

Application (with photo) must be made by completing the General Request Form by Friday, 3rd February 2017. ([link to BWF event calendar](#))

For accreditation passes got lost a fee of 50 € will be raised.

39. Non playing personnel

In accordance with agreement with the BWF, the accreditation for accompanying officials will be operated as following:

Teams up to	10 players	3 ID-passes
	11-15 players	4 ID-passes
	16-20 players	5 ID-passes
	+ 20 players	6 ID-passes

Note: If more officials accompany your team you have to purchase additional accreditations (ID-passes). A limited number of additional official accreditation passes may be purchased at the special rate of 50€ each.

40. Team Managers Meeting

Monday, 27th of February 2017, 19:00h, Innogy Sporthalle (see no. 7.)

41. Technical Officials Meeting

Monday, 27th of February 2017, 20:00h, innogy Sporthalle (see no. 7.)