



INVITATION

YONEX German Open 2012

55th International German Badminton Championships 2012

in Mülheim an der Ruhr

(Sanctioned by Badminton World Federation)



- Patron** Ms Dagmar Mühlenfeld, Mayoress of the City of Mülheim an der Ruhr
- Presenter** Deutscher Badminton-Verband e.V. (DBV)
German Badminton Association
- Promoter** Vermarktungsgesellschaft *Badminton* Deutschland mbH (VBD)
- Organiser** 1. Badminton-Verein Mülheim an der Ruhr 1956 e.V. (1. BVM)
- Main Sponsor** YONEX GmbH, D-47877 Willich
- Date** **Tuesday, 28th of February 2012, to Sunday, 4th of March 2012**
- Venue** RWE-Sporthalle
An den Sportstätten 6
D-45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr
- Event Office** Event Office
YONEX German Open 2012
Südstraße 25
D-45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr
Tel.: 0049 – 208 – 308 27 19
Fax: 0049 – 208 – 308 27 55
E-Mail: office@german-open-badminton.de
Web: www.german-open-badminton.de
- Classification** BWF World Grand Prix Gold Tournament
- Prize money** US\$ 120,000
Distributed according to no. 7.3 of the BWF Grand Prix Regulations (GPR).

<i>Event</i>	<i>Champion</i>	<i>Runner-up</i>	<i>Semi-finals</i>	<i>Quarter-finals</i>	<i>Last 16</i>
<i>Men's Singles</i> <i>Women's Singles</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>9,000</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>4,560</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>1,740</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>720</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>420</i>
<i>Men's Doubles</i> <i>Women's Doubles</i> <i>Mixed Doubles</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>9,480</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>4,560</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>1,680</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>870</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>450</i>

According to no. 7.13.1 of the GPR, tax to be paid to Mülheim an der Ruhr tax office will be retained from the prize money and paid directly.

- Events** Men's Singles, Women's Singles,
Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles
- 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)

13. Qualification

Tuesday, 28th of February 2012

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.

14. Main Tournament

Tuesday, 28.02.2012	from 17:00	1 st round MS	5 courts
Wednesday, 29.02.2012	from 9:00	1/32 Round	5 courts
Thursday, 01.03.2012	from 12:00	1/16 Round	4 courts
Friday, 02.03.2012	from 16:00	QF	3 courts
Saturday, 03.03.2012	from 14:00	SF	2 courts
Sunday, 04.03.2012	from 14:00	Final	1 TV court

15. 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 must be ready to play 30 minutes before their match is scheduled, if not they can be disqualified.
- 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.

16. Closing date for entries

Tuesday, 31st of January 2012, 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, 1st of February 2012 by 12 noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following close of entries. If no objection is received by BWF till Thursday, 2nd of February **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.

17. 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 2012 at:

<http://www.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=596D798E-F45C-45AA-9A03-305480068147>

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. Venugopal:

v.mahalingam@bwfbadminton.org

The online entry page will immediately close on Tuesday, 31st of January 2012 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.

18. Entries of German Players

Players from German Badminton Association have to follow different entry procedure. Please check German version of invitation accordingly.

- 19. Cancellation/withdrawal** In case of withdrawal (e.g. due to injury), the organiser has to be informed immediately. Any withdrawal made later than 15 days before the first scheduled match, a withdrawal fee of US\$ 250 (see no. 9 GPR) will be charged. Last day for withdrawal: 12th of February 2012.
- 20. Entry lists** Will be published **Friday 3rd of February 2012** on www.german-open-badminton.de
- 21. Draw date** **Tuesday, 14th of February 2012**
Notification at www.german-open-badminton.de
Seeding Date: Thursday, 9th of February 2012
- 22. Referee** T. M. Ponambalum (MRI)
- 23. Deputy Referee** Nicos Vladimirou (CYP)
- 24. Tournament Doctor** Dr. med. Nobert Möllers (GER), Dr. med. Erich Maly (GER)
- 25. Physiotherapy** Stefanie Müller (GER) (Service for participating players free of charge)
- 26. Official tournament shuttle** YONEX Aerosensa (AS) 50
- 27. Clothing / Advertisements** According to no. 19 to 23 of BWF General Competition Regulations.
23.2.1 *“Advertisements may appear on the following locations: left sleeve, right sleeve, left shoulder, right shoulder, left collar, right collar, left chest, right chest **and centre chest**. Each advertisement must be 20 square centimetres or less. Other than front of shirt, only one per location; and there must be no more than **five** in total. National flags or emblems for the purpose of this regulation count as an advert...”*
- 28. Drug testing** Effected by National Anti-Doping Agency Foundation (NADA), Bonn.
Drug testing will be done according to BWF Anti Doping Regulations.
- 29. Practise facilities** Practise-courts will be offered from Sunday, 26th of February 2012 until Sunday, 4th of March 2012:
Sporthalle an der Südstraße, Südstraße 1, 45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr
Court reservations must be made via the Event Office.
- 30. Arrival/Departure** Various possibilities of arrival can be found under www.german-open-badminton.de in the section "Tournament information".
A transportation service from/to Düsseldorf Airport and Mülheim Central Station will be provided.
This service can only be assured if the arrival is announced at least 48 hours in advance to the Event Office (address see 8.).
- 31. Press work** Dr. Claudia Pauli
E-Mail: claudia.pauli@cp-presse.de
Web: www.german-open-badminton.de under "News/Press"
- 32. Accreditation address** Event Office (Address see no. 8.)
- 33. Closing date of accreditation** **Friday, 17th of February 2012**
- 34. Team Managers Meeting** **Monday, 27th of February 2012 20:00h**, RWE-Sporthalle (see no. 7.)
- 35. Technical Officials Meeting** **Monday, 27th of February 2012 21:00h**, RWE-Sporthalle (see no. 7.)

36. Accommodation

a) *Tournament Hotels*

Different Tournament Hotels in walking distance to the venue will be offered. These Hotels and contact data are published on the event homepage, section "Tournament Info".

The Hotels will be offered in three different categories:

4-star category:

95 EUR per night in a single room
125 EUR per night in a double room

3-star category:

75 EUR per night in a single room
100 EUR per night in a double room

2-star category:

70 EUR per night in a single room
90 EUR per night in a double room

The prices contain:

Overnight stay/breakfast; service; airport transfer, value-added tax.

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

b) *Reservation*

In writing on the enclosed form until Tuesday, 31st of January to:

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E-Mail: office@german-open-badminton.de

Reservations will be booked according to the order of receiving the reservation forms. If the requested category should be booked up, the reservation will automatically be changed into the other category and notified by the organizer.

c) *Payment*

Mandatory for Hotel reservation:

a) Valid Credit Card Number

or:

b) Pre-payment: 70 % with the entry including hotel reservation; bank and transfer costs are charged to the payee, they won't be covered by the recipient and be charged if necessary.

The pre-payment has to be transferred in EUR to the following account:

Account owner: VBD mbh
Bank: Sparkasse Mülheim an der Ruhr
Bank Code No: 362 500 00
Account No: 374 000 233
IBAN: DE62 3625 0000 0374 0002 33
SWIFT-BIC: SPMHDE3E