

Call for entries and invitation to the 21st International Military Gliding Competition 2026 (IMGC) in Trollenhagen - Neubrandenburg/Germany (EDBN)

Under the patronage of the Chief of the Air Force, the German Armed Forces Gliding Association (Bundeswehr-Flugsportvereinigung) organizes the 21st International Military Gliding Championships.

1. Purpose of the Championship

- 1.1 Promotion of cross-country gliding and competitive gliding
- 1.2 Promotion of young talent in high-performance gliding
- 1.3 Recruitment of young talent for flying and technical service within the German Armed Forces
- 1.4 Maintaining contacts with friendly nations and members of their armed forces

2. Organizer / Host

- **Organizer / Host:** Bundeswehr-Flugsportvereinigung e.V.
- **Competition Director:** Captain (Navy) Frank Strewing
- **Sports Director:** 1st Lt Jake Glahn
- **Venue:** Neubrandenburg Airfield EDBN

The competition is **not open to the public**.

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3. Participants

3.1 The following persons are eligible to register as participants:

- Members of the German Armed Forces/Reservists
- Soldiers of invited foreign armed forces
- Members of the BFV
- Invited guests upon application/invitation by the Presidium

3.2 Participants must hold a valid pilot license with the appropriate authorization for aerotow launch, self-launch, or another nationally issued authorization recognized in Germany. An FAI sporting license is **not required**.

3.3 The responsibility of all participating aircraft commanders under applicable legal regulations remains unaffected by the sporting rules and directives of the competition management.

3.4 Each pilot must register **in person** at the registration desk on **28 June 2026** according to the above schedule (para. 4.2) for registration, receipt of information, and document inspection. Timely appearance is mandatory, as registration must be completed prior to the opening briefing.

3.5 All helpers and accompanying persons must also register personally at the registration desk.

4. Dates / Venue

4.1 The venue is **Trollenhagen / Neubrandenburg (EDBN), Germany**.

4.2 Schedule (all times local):

- **Arrival:** Sun, 28.06.2026, 10:00 – 18:00
- **Registration & document check:** Sun, 28.06.2026, 13:00 – 18:00
- **Opening briefing:** Mon, 29.06.2026, 08:30
- **Free training:** Mon, 29.06.2026, 11:00 – 16:30
- **Opening ceremony:** Mon, 29.06.2026, 19:00
- **Competition days:** Tue, 30.06. – Thu, 09.07.2026
- **Award ceremony:** Fri, 10.07.2026, 10:00
- **Departure:** Fri, 10.07.2026, 12:00

4.3 Participation in briefings, opening and closing ceremonies is **mandatory**.

4.4 Dress code for the opening ceremony and award ceremony:

- **Soldiers and reservists:**
Service uniform basic form in accordance with Central Directive A1-2630/0-9804 No. 2.4 (short-sleeved shirt must be carried)
- **Civilian guests/participants:**
Appropriate civilian attire (long trousers and shirt, closed shoes)

5. Class Definitions

5.1 Class definitions are based on the Competition Regulations for Gliding Championships (SWO 2.1.4 and 2.1.5), with the following exception according to SWO Annex B 1.3.

5.2 At the IMGC, all gliders of the FAI 15 m class listed under Club Class in the IGC handicap list may be used in the Standard Class.

5.3 For the Club Class, the current handicap list according to Sporting Code, Section 3, Annex A, *IGC Procedures for Handicapped Classes* applies.

5.4 The DAeC index list is applied. A glider rated below the lowest index of the valid list will be scored with the lowest index of that list.

5.5 IMGC classes:

- Club Class (indexed according to reference weight)
- Standard / 15-Meter Class (limited to 15 m wingspan, DMST index)
- Mixed Class (DMST index)
 - Two-seater (DMST index ≥ 108)
 - 18-Meter Class
 - Open Class

5.6 Two-seaters may be flown single-seat or dual-seat. Crew members may change. However, in accordance with the registration, aircraft must be flown either single-seat or dual-seat throughout the entire competition. Participation always takes place in the class corresponding to the respective index/wingspan.

5.7 Gliders with retractable engines may participate in the appropriate class. Use of the engine is permitted if documented by an IGC-approved GNSS recording system with ENL recording.

5.8 The designated competition area includes the regions covered by the valid ICAO charts Rostock, Berlin, Hanover, Nuremberg, western Poland, and the western Czech Republic. Each participant will receive an official competition map covering the entire competition area. The airspace file (OpenAir format) and turn point file relevant for scoring can be downloaded in due time from the competition homepage on [Soaring Spot: 21st International Military Gliding Competition \(IMGC\)](#).

5.9 Responsibility for airworthiness, possession of legally required and organizer-required documents, and compliance with class requirements lies with the participant.

6. Registration / Fees

6.1 Closing date for entries is **31 March 2026**. If the number of registrations exceeds the maximum possible number of participating aircraft, the organizer reserves the right to reject entries.

6.2 Registration will be conducted online via **Google Forms** from **01 January 2026, 12:00hrs until 31 March 2026**, via www.bw-flugsport.de or [Soaring Spot: 21st IMGC – 2026 & National Junior Qualifications](#). A digital passport photo must be uploaded during online registration for the issuance of an air base access pass.

6.3 Conditional registrations will not be accepted; incomplete registrations are invalid.

6.4 Current information will be published on the competition homepage on Soaring Spot.

6.5 The registration is only valid if the registration fee has been received by the organizer by **10 April 2026** and a confirmation from the organizer has been issued. A refund of the registration fee is available for cancellations up to 2 months before the start of the competition at 80% of the amount paid; thereafter, no refund is given. Participants on the waiting list who cancel before the competition or do not get a replacement will receive a full refund of the registration fee

Bank details:

Sparkasse Schaumburg
IBAN: DE51 2555 1480 0320 2313 92
BIC: NOLADE21SHG

Please state the name of the registered pilot and competition ID.

6.6 Entry fees:

- Members of the German Armed Forces, BFV members: **€150**
- Voluntary military service personnel, trainees/pupils/students: **€130**
- Guests: **€200**
- Foreign military: **free**

6.7 Launch fees per launch incl. aerotow (estimated):

- Club Class: **€50.00**
- All other classes: **€55.00**
- Self-launchers: **€10.00**

6.8 Camping/accommodation (except for assigned DEU soldiers): fees approx. 150 Euros for 3 PAX tbc. For international pilots incl. team members we will provide accommodation in the base for free.

6.9 Catering: All participants, their helpers, and accompanying persons may take part in breakfast and evening meals. Partial meal participation is not offered. The daily catering rate is based on the applicable regulation and will be announced in due time.

6.10 Additional costs are to be paid **in cash on site** during or at the end of the competition.

7. Liability and Legal Recourse

7.1 The participant / responsible aircraft commander declares with submission of the entry that, except in cases of intent and gross negligence, he waives all claims for damages against the organizer and the event organizer as well as their bodies and helpers. This waiver does not apply to the extent and in full amount that an insurer recognizes and settles a claim. The participant further declares for himself and his crew that he accepts the tender and the execution provisions in all points. Where the participant takes part in the competition with an aircraft owned by a third party, the owner of the aircraft declares in the framework of the release of liability that he agrees to the limitation of liability for claims for damage to his aircraft. For participants who have not yet reached the age of 18, the signature of the legal guardian is required. The required documents must be submitted to the competition management unsolicited.

7.2 Amendments to this notice of competition based on current resolutions of the IGC and the Gliding Commission of the DAeC remain reserved.

7.3 The participant declares, for himself/herself and his/her team, that the regulations of this notice of competition have been fully understood in all respects and are accepted.

7.5 Legal recourse is excluded.

Wachtberg, 28th December 2025

signed

Frank Strewing
(Competition Director)