



YONEX GERMAN U17 OPEN 2026 (U17 International Challenge)

GERMANY * BERGISCH GLADBACH-REFRATH, 5/6/7 June 2026

Organizer	German Badminton Association (Deutscher Badminton-Verband) and TV Refrath Badminton Email: badminton@tv-refrath.de Tournament website: www.german-u17-open.de Tournament director: Heinz Kelzenberg +491632376046 – badminton@tv-refrath.de																														
Referee	Markus Schwendtner; Email: markus-schwendtner@web.de																														
Key Dates	Closing date for entries: Tuesday, 5 th of May 2026 at 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08.00) Withdrawal deadline: Monday, 25 th of May 2026 at 23.59 (GMT +08.00) Date for the draws: Seedings and draws will be made by Badminton Europe on 26 th of May Managers meeting: Thursday 4 th of June 2026 7:00 pm at the tournament venue																														
Venue	Halle Steinbreche, Steinbreche 1, 51427 Bergisch Gladbach (Refrath), Germany COURTS – 6 courts (2 mats + 4 regular courts)																														
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Events	All five events will be played in simple K.O. Each competitor can enter in one singles event, one men's doubles or women's doubles event and one mixed doubles event. The number of entries that can be accepted in each event are: MS - 64, WS - 64, MD - 32, WD - 32, XD - 48																														
Training	Thursday: possibility of training 16:30-17:30 / 17:30-18:30 / 18:30-19:30 / 19:30-20:30 on 6 courts Send Email to badminton@tv-refrath.de																														
Shuttles	YONEX AS 40																														
Entries	All entries must be made until Tuesday 5th of May by using the BWF Online Entry System. Entries can only be made by the federations! See tournament list: https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/6CF26A7A-FBFF-4F6E-AD38-F7504C87DF2D Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9 GCR 7.9: "In making or authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes." 2.3 In accordance with regulation § 9.2 and § 9.3 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.2: World Junior Ranking System, an event must contain at least 8 (eight) competitors in the first published version of the main draw. If the required number of competitors is not met in the first published version of the main draw, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking. In accordance with regulation § 9.4 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.2: World Junior Ranking System, an event must contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member in the first published version of the main draw. If an event does not contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member in the first published version of the main draw, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking. Badminton Europe is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.) because of an event not having enough competitors to count for the rankings. 6.1.6 If the amount of entries exceeds the maximum amount as listed in § 6.1.1- 6.1.4, a selection of entries will be made in the following order: 1) Points on the European U17 Ranking. 2) Foreign players																														

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	<p>without points on the European U17 Ranking, drawn by lots (no country can have two players/pairs without points participating before all entered countries have at least one player/pair without points participating). * 3) Home nation players in order of strength as listed by their Member. *Non-European players are taken into consideration based on their BWF World Junior Ranking, comparing these to the Europeans that are ranked based on the European U17 Ranking as listed above. The selection of entries shall be done by Badminton Europe.</p>
Entry Fee	<p>Singles: 40€ per player (Shuttles included) Doubles: 30€ per player per event (Shuttles included) Entry fees can be paid cash or by PAYPAL (in EURO) in the hall (No CARDS!). If you want to pay by bank transfer, send an email to badminton@tv-refrath.de until 22rd May. We then send an invoice which has to be paid until the tournament starts. 12.1 The Member that enters a player/pair into a BEC U17 Circuit tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player/pair. The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes. It is recommended that the entry fees are paid by bank transfer, but the organizers can accept cash payments at tournaments. 12.2 The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal. For all the withdrawn players the organizers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member.</p>
Prizes	<p>Cups / practical prizes for the winner & finalist in each event Prizes for the losers of the semi finals</p>
Medical Service	<p>A person of First Aid and physiotherapist service are present during the tournament.</p>
Visa	<p>After entering a player in the tournaments it's the Members responsibility to secure visas for their players - if this is needed. Member's must make sure that visa applications are made early enough. Request to: badminton@tv-refrath.de latest 1st of May 2026.</p>
Transport	<p>There is a Shuttle Service from the following official points of arrival to the 2 Official Tournament Hotels mentioned below (only if a booking in these hotels is made). Shuttle Service is 10,- EUR per person and has to be paid in the hall together with the entry fees. Official points of arrival are: COLOGNE Railway Station (Exit "Breslauer Platz") COLOGNE Airport (CGN) Official tournament hotels are Hotel Kölner Hof Refrath + Hotel Refrather Hof (see below) Booking of Shuttle Service until 28 May by email to badminton@tv-refrath.de</p>
General	<p>YONEX German U17 Open 2026 is part of the Badminton Europe U17 Circuit 2026. The tournament will be played in accordance with the Laws of Badminton and the General Competition Regulations of BWF as well as with the Badminton Europe U17 Circuit Regulations 2026. The organizer declines responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to each participant to insure himself.</p>
Clothing	<p>Each article of clothing must comply with BWF Statutes, Section 5.2.3: Junior Tournament Regulations 12 to 16 and Badminton Europe U17 Circuit Regulation 13</p>
Doping Control	<p>Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples. Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE). For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>
Badminton Integrity	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament. To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match. Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a match(es). For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>

Kommentiert [BB6]: Can you add a deadline you would latest like to receive requests? If possible, select a date after the entry deadline.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Official Tournament Hotels for participants who come by plane or train:

Name	Distance to hall	Email	Phone	Capacity
Hotel Refrather Hof Dolmanstraße 25 51427 Bergisch Gladbach	300m (walking distance)	info@refratherhof.de	+492204404140	15 rooms Single: ca. 95 EUR Double: ca. 125 EUR

Please book directly at the hotels exclusively by mail or phone

There is **NO** Shuttle Service between this hotel and hall during the tournament, as the hotel is in a walking distance away from the hall.

Additional Hotel Offers for participants that come by car:

Name	Distance to hall	Email	Phone
Hotel Kölner Hof Refrath Lustheide 45a 51427 Bergisch Gladbach	1500m	info@koelnerhof-refrath.de	+492204586980
Hotel Alt Refrath, Kicke 11, 51427 Bergisch Gladbach	950m	info@hotel-alt-refrath.de	+49220464811
Hotel Rheinische Landesturnschule Bergisch Gladbach, Paffrather Str. 133, 51465 Bergisch Gladbach	5 km	info@rtb-landesturnschue.de	+492202200312
Ibis Köln Messe Brügelmannstr. 1, 50679 Köln	11 km	H3744@accor.com	+49221989310
Ibis Budget Köln Messe Brügelmannstr. 7, 50679 Köln	11 km	H7843@accor.com	+4922188745620
Ibis Budget Köln Airport Alter Deutzer Postweg 95 51149 Köln	8,5 km	H5008@accor.com	+49220335900

Please book directly at the hotels exclusively by mail or phone

There is NO Shuttle Service between the hall and these hotels.

Kommentiert [BB7]: According to BEC U17 Circuit Regulation 7.4 Transport shall be provided unless the distance between the hotel and venue does not exceed 1km. The distance between Hotel Kölner Hof Refrath and the venue does exceed 1km.

You can move the hotel to additional hotel offers or provide transportation.