

Regulations for participating in the 44th German Treasure Hunt Championship 2024

Only persons who have reached the age of 18 at the time of the German Treasure Hunt Championship are eligible for participation. Minors may only participate with prior written consent by and under the supervision of a parent or guardian. Children and youths up to and including the age of 16 are ranked separately from adults.

Each participant's first and last name, date of birth, country of origin and e-mail address is required in advance. This data is documented in the entry / participant list and must be signed by each participant. During personal registration on site, each participant receives a starting number that can be fastened to their clothing, a pin-on button and a bag for findings, each marked with their starting number as well. The starting numbers are assigned on site in the order participants register on the aforementioned list.

The organizer determines the starting time, after which the defined area can be searched by means of a metal detector. Found objects are to be collected solely in the provided bag.

Only objects distributed by the organizer are included in scoring (tokens from the year 2024 that are minted on both sides). When a gold coin is found, the participant should inform a judge (calling out "gold!" is sufficient). Instant prizes (tokens from the year 2024 minted on only one side and showing a number on the other) can be redeemed for their respective prizes during the award ceremony on Saturday. Redemption of these prizes is not possible at a later date or time. If the prize is not redeemed, the right to that prize is forfeited without replacement.

After the award ceremony, the participants can collect their bag of findings by presenting the button with the corresponding starting number at the cash register. Each participant may then keep their bag including findings. Bags that have not been collected by 12 pm on Sunday will be disposed of by the organizer.

The event's ending is determined by the organizer and will be called out via speakers on-site. After the even has ended, no further searching is allowed. Any participants continuing to search or dig after the event has ended will be disqualified.

The bags of findings will be collected by the judges at the on-site judging tent and are then evaluated.

Each object issued by the organizer (tokens from 2024) counts as one point. Gold coins and onesided tokens (instant prizes) do not count towards scoring. **Passing on found objects to other persons is prohibited and leads to disqualification. Once discovered, tokens may not be dug back in or left behind.** If a participant leaves the search field, any findings as well as the issued bag must remain with a judge. **Any holes that have been dug are to be resealed as good as possible.** Improperly sealed holed will negatively impact the participant's score. Any participants who, despite warnings by the judges, continue to leave holes open or improperly covered will be disqualified.

If multiple participants have the same number of points, ranking is based on the order of the participant's starting number.

Example:					
Starting number	9	has	25	found objects	= 25 points
Starting number	16	also has	25	found objects	= 25 points
Starting number	104	also has	25	found objects	= 25 points

Based on the scoring example above, starting number 9 is ranked before number 16 and 16 before number 104 in the final results.

Publication / Declaration:

By signing the registration form, each participant of the DSM agrees that photos, videos and interviews made in connection with the participation of the German Treasure Hunt Championship may be used, distributed and published in or on the internet, television, radio, books, advertising, films, image and sounds carriers, DVDs etc. By signing, each participant waives any claim for compensation in connection with aforementioned publications and distributions.

The participant also gives consent that their name may be published in lists of results and used in the context of reporting. They further agree that their data (only name, picture, country of origin, placing) may be passed on to the sponsors listed in the program booklet, the official photographers and other third parties for information purposes.

Liability:

Each participant takes part in the German Treasure Hunt Championship 2024 voluntarily and at their own risk.

The organizer is not liable for any damages resulting from the behavior of others.

This exclusion of liability does not apply in case of intent or gross negligence by the organizer, their employees or vicarious agents.

Waiver of liability:

By signing, each participant agrees to a waiver of liability in accordance with the text below. Prerequisite for participation is the complete entry in the list of participants with a valid signature and payment of the entry fee. A refund of the entry fee cannot be claimed. The right to participate cannot be transferred to others and is void in case of non-attendance.

By signing, the participant confirms that they have read and taken note of the regulations for the German Treasure Hunt Championship 2024 in full.

The conditions of participation will be handed out to each participant on site and are published in advance at www.dsm-osburg.de. By signing during registration, the participant agrees to the regulations in this document and agrees to its terms and conditions.

Please note that the event will be held outdoors regardless of weather. It can therefore become necessary to operate in difficult terrain under less-than-ideal circumstances.

The participant must regard and follow instructions given by the organizer and any of their assistants.

Should participants witness dangerous situations or potential thereof as well as rule-breaking by other participants during the event, the judges present are to be informed immediately.

By signing the entry form, the participant explicitly waives any right of action or recourse against the organizer, their agents and property owners for any accident or damage suffered in connection with the staging of the German Treasure Hunt Championship 2024, provided the accident or damage is demonstrably not due to intent or gross negligence.

Legal recourse regarding scoring and ranking is excluded.

Any additional instructions or information will be communicated by the organizer before the event.

Should parts of these general terms or statements be void or annulled, this does not affect the remaining terms and conditions.

Notes:

Please behave in a sportsmanlike and considerate manner towards other participants and judges.

For handicapped participants, it is possible to bring a caregiver onto the premises. Please arrange this with the judges prior to the beginning of the event.

The organizers and their team would like to wish you good luck and are looking forward to a fair competition. -END-