



Unimog implement carrier in winter service

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Precision in the Snow: Unimog at the Snowplow World Championship in Chambéry

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- The 5th World Snowplow Championship will take place in Chambéry, France, featuring teams from 12 nations including three German teams using Unimog implement carriers.
- German teams qualified through a national championship in Marktreidwitz, with the Oberweyern road maintenance department winning the title.
- The competition tests precision driving skills on realistic winter road maintenance courses under strict evaluation and time pressure.

- The Unimog's agility and versatile equipment make it well-suited for both the championship and everyday municipal winter operations.
- The event is part of an international congress focusing on winter road service innovation and sustainability, with Daimler Truck as an official sponsor.

From March 10 to 13, 2026, the international winter service elite will gather for the 5th World Snowplow Championship in the French Alpine town of Chambéry. Competing against teams from 11 other nations, three German drivers will compete using the Unimog implement carrier.



The driver controls the Unimog's attachments for winter service using the UNI-TOUCH operating system with joystick and display

IMAGE SOURCE: Daimler Truck AG

The German teams qualified for the world championship at the 3rd German Snowplow Championship held in September 2025 in Marktredwitz (Bavaria). In front of around 7,000 spectators, 33 teams competed on a challenging course. The title was secured by the Oberweyern road maintenance department (Hesse) with drivers Michael Wilhelmi and Lukas Kniesner. Second place went to the Bingen road maintenance department (Rhineland-Palatinate), followed by the Emmelshausen motorway maintenance department (Rhineland-Palatinate) in third. These results determined which German teams will now compete on the international stage. However, only one driver per vehicle is permitted to compete at the world championship.



Precision is key on the course of the German Snow Plow Championship

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At the Snowplow World Championship, participants must complete tasks on two realistic courses designed to reflect the challenges of real-world winter road maintenance: slalom driving through narrow passages,

precise stopping, accurate maneuvering, and simulated snow clearance on multi-lane routes – all under time pressure and according to strict evaluation criteria. Every centimeter counts, and every movement of the steering wheel, accelerator, and joystick must be perfectly coordinated.



An Unimog with a snow plug on the course of the German Snow Plow Championship

IMAGE SOURCE: Daimler Truck AG

The Unimog demonstrates its strengths on the international stage. Its agility, precise steering, and flexible combination of clearing and spreading equipment make it ideally suited to the varied demands of the competition. These qualities also distinguish the Unimog implement carrier in everyday municipal operations, where roads must be cleared safely, quickly, and reliably. Up to 1,000 Unimog implement carriers are delivered annually from the Wörth am Rhein plant.



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The Snowplow World Championship is part of the “17th International Congress on Road Winter Service, Resilience and Decarbonization,” which brings experts from around the world to Chambéry. In addition to the sporting competition, the event focuses on international exchange, innovative technical approaches, and the future of winter road maintenance. **Daimler** Truck supports the Snowplow World Championship as an official sponsor.



Michael Wilhelmi and Lukas Kniesner from Oberweyern in Hesse won first place in the German Snow Plow Championship in Marktredwitz in 2025

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On the course of the German snow plow championship, a Unimog maneuvers precisely past the obstacles

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