

Essen/Mülheim Airport (ESS) -- Home Of The Blimp Flights

The Essen/Mülheim Airport (ESS) had its start as a military airport in the 1920s and was the site of zeppelin landings in the 1930s.

Although the airport was almost entirely destroyed during the [Second World War](#), the Allies chose to rebuilt it because the weather was better in Essen than in [Düsseldorf](#), where visibility is often obscured by fog.

These days it's a mid-sized airport dealing with business traffic in the [Ruhr region](#) of Germany.

Distance

The Essen/Mülheim Airport can be found just 5 km (3 mi) south-east of [Mülheim an der Ruhr](#) and 8 km (5 mi) south-west of [Essen](#).

Hours Of Operation

Essen/Mülheim's general operating hours are from 06:00 to 22:00 seven days a week.

Essen/Mülheim Airport Airlines

This airport is served primarily by business charter flights.

Essen/Mülheim Airport Timetables

There is no real-time information regarding flights on the airport's web site. Please [contact ESS directly](#) for more information.

Getting To And From Essen/Mülheim Airport

Even without a direct train connection, it is still quite simple to transfer from the Essen city center to the departures terminal.

Long-Distance Trains

There is no direct connection via long-distance train to the Essen/Mülheim Airport.

Regional Trains

Same here, no direct connection via regional train to the Essen/Mülheim Airport. However, there is a bus that you can catch just outside the Essen main station that will take you to the airport.

Buses

Bus CE45 connects the Essen Main Train Station (*Hauptbahnhof*) to the airport terminal.

Car / Taxi

Make sure to get on the Autobahn A52, then take exit *Essen-Kettwig*. The rest is well sign-posted.

Shopping

There are limited shopping opportunities at Essen/Mülheim Airport.

Food & Drink

The airport restaurant is open in the summer months every day except for Mondays. With 100 seats indoors and an additional 130 on the terrace, you have your choice of tables. Hot meals are served beginning at 11:30 am. You can choose from an array of home-style German cuisine.

Fun Facts

Essen/Mülheim Airport is more than just a place to catch a flight. There is plenty of aerial recreation here to keep you occupied. From helicopter flights to hot air ballooning and blimps. There is even an historic Red Baron airplane on the premises.