

# Handbuch/manual für Ahlheim 5





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## **About Ahlheim**

Dear user,

you are reading this manual since you have downloaded the map **Ahlheim V5**. We hope you will enjoy it as much as we do. Please read this manual (at least the installation instructions) thoroughly before asking questions. Most questions should already be answered in here. However, in case of occurring complications or if you discover any bugs that we did not detect in our beta tests, contact us via <a href="OMSI WebDisk">OMSI WebDisk</a> or our <a href="Facebook page">Facebook page</a>.

**Ahlheim** is a fictitious city with about 350'000 inhabitants in western North Rhine-Westphalia and is only about 20-30 minutes away from the Dutch border. The local bus services are operated by the **Ahlheimer Verkehrsgesellschaft** (AVG).

There are **27 day bus routes** (including 2 express routes) and **14 night bus routes.** Additionally, there are various extra services ("E-Wagen") that add onto the regular services, serving e. g. schools or industrial areas.

In addition to a busy downtown Ahlheim also offers calm and rural areas, noble quarters as well as deprived areas. There are a few sights to be seen like the coal mine "Zeche Hindenburg" or the St Bartholomew's Cathedral in the Eichenhöhe district.

Eichenhöhe is, besides Kranenburg, the biggest district of Ahlheim and has a large centre of its own. It also has an own railway station which is served by regional and suburban train services.

The map Ahlheim consists of 773 tiles and guarantees hours and hours of gaming fun. Since we wanted to let you drive on the complete AVG network, you can picture yourself as a bus driver in Ahlheim and create your own shifts out of the massive number of services. We deliver schedules that will help you with that. Just have a look at OMSI 2\Addons\Ahlheim 5.

# AVG Ahlheim Lines and routes

131	Zeche Hindenburg – Heroldsberg, Bostoner Weg	32 min
132	Grachtheide, Drillichshammer – Fachhochschule	60 min
133	Sternenberger Gehölz – Braukum, Ingeborg-Drewitz-Str.	35 min
134	Bleickenburg, Sater Weg – Lühr, Am Frommholz	20 min
135	Erckenfeld S – Tillmannsdorf, Altenheim	34 min
136	Heroldsberg, Löwenhaus – Bendstein S	38 min
137	Schrucken, Dommeringsweide - Prenkum	21 min
141	Universität Ahlheim – Vörreder Markt	37 min
142	Ahlheim Hbf – Rosental Bf	22 min
143	Rosental, Siedlung Bösch – Lößstein, Traueregge	15 min
146	Bendstein S – Flurwede, BüroPark	33 min
149	Flurwede, A. d. Rübenkamp – Kranenburg, Siedl. Herzen-	39 min
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151	Erckenfeld, Rathaystr. – Bortel, Siedlung Hohn	35 min
152	Eichenhöhe Bf. – Brecker Feld	44 min
153	Ahlheim Hbf – Harbsen, Sporthalle Stoelzbachtal	24 min
154	Ahlheim Hbf – Stoelzen Mitte	27 min
156	Eichenhöhe Bf – Nochem, Friesenstraße	53 min
163	Kloster Grachtberg – Brecker Berg/Eulenhof, Eisenbahnm.	39 min
164	Osterfelder Markt – Burgfreisenberg, Burgschöttel	45 min
175	Waldlehne, Bülowstr. – Flurwede, Schiffwerkerstr.	40 min
187	Kranenburg Mitte – Leuchtefurt, Dieselstr.	28 min
191	Kranenburg, Woltenausee – Nochem, Kirche	40 min
192	Eichenhöhe Bf – Preinesberg S	51 min
193	Eichenhöhe Bf – Harbsen, Sporthalle Stoelzbachtal	40 min
198/199	Circle lines Kranenburg	40 min
SB12	Express bus Kranenburg Mitte – Rosental Bf	28 min
SB13	Express bus Ahlheim Hbf – Burgfreisenberg, Burgschöttel	20 min



## **Lines and routes**

#### Night bus routes in Ahlheim

You prefer being out late at night? No worries. **15 night express routes** ensure that the citizens of Ahlheim can get home even at a late hour. The main services (NE1-NE12) start at the central station, where all lines meet every full hour to ensure easy transfers between services.

The Eichenhöhe circle lines (NE21/22) are a little more quiet. They have different connections to the routes NE1, 2 and 10 and serve the districts around Eichenhöhe station. However, the schedules are tight so do not get *too* relaxed.

#### Extra services/lines for university/school/enterprise zones

In the schedule of the lines 132 and 156 additional departures during lecture period are implemented. On line 132 there are supplementary rides between Kuhlmannsfeld and Düsseldorfer Str./Fachhochschule, on line 156 between Eichenhöhe Bf and Universität Ahlheim. There are also additional lines (E-Wagen/Einsatzwagen) for schools or enterprise zones which are not signposted on the route helpers and therefore are for experienced Ahlheim drivers only. Please check the attributive documents for further information.

#### Football shuttle

Football's coming home! The football club FC Ahlheim valiantly holds it's ground vin the third German football division after ascending from the fourth. The stadium is packed during games and of course the viewers want to go there without caring about consuming alcohol. Therefore there are additional shuttle departures for home and visiting supporters with strictly separated bus stops and routes to avoid complications. The shuttle always rides at home matchdays of the third division.



## **Additional information**

#### **Bus signals**

In Ahlheim, buses have a high priority in traffic. In addition to several bus lanes, many crossings are equipped with bus signals or signal influencing mechanisms, in order to prolong green phases or shorten red phases when a bus approaches the crossing.

The following signals add to the usual signals such as "Stop" and "Go":

AK	"Anforderung" (request) or "Kontakt" (contact): Signal requested		
	"Türen schließen": Finish boarding and close doors		
	Pull up to the next signal		
	Another bus has arrived; wait for transferring passengers		

#### **Route helpers**

The route helpers will guide you along every line. There are signs for all regular day and night services as well as the most important empty runs. Mind: There are no route helpers for the extra routes. They are designed for more experienced drivers who already know their way around the city.

## **Additional documents**

In the folder OMSI 2\Addons\Ahlheim 5 you can find several documents that will support you on your shifts.

- Overview of extra routes
- Information on relief points.
- Vehicle schedule number explanations
- Position plans central station / Eichenhöhe station
- Depot parking order
- Lists of routes and terminus numbers
- Vehicle schedule plans for every schedule

## Installation

We are able include some addons into the download. In order not to let the repository size become too large, we provide them seperately.

Insert the folders of both repositories into your OMSI main folder (usually C:\Program Files (x86)\Steam\steamapps\common\OMSI 2).

Besides the map itself and particular objects/splines we also provide you with the official Ahlheim V5 repaint pack. It contains a complete vehicle fleet for AVG, Rostorf Reisen and Bus Company Lapok with local and national advertisements and correspondent accidental damages/exchange parts. The repaint pack is mandatory for an immersive experience when playing the map. For further information about installing the repaint pack please check the independent manual provided with it. But please first download the required buses mentioned on page 9.

## **Installation**

#### **Required addons**

Below, a lot of additional objects are listed that you also need for using this map. This might take some time but let us tell you, it is going to be worth it. By using the various free addons we did not need to use any payware DLCs. As a first step, please check which of these addons you already have installed. This might save you lots of time.

- Additional Traffic Signs
- Blitzer (Funktionstüchtig)
- CreativeStreets
- fOcUs04 Fahrzeugdummy
- Folti Objekte
- Helferlein Busampeln
- <u>Leitplanke</u>
- Mainz (only part 1)
- SimpleStreets
- TerrainSplines



#### **Required addons (continuation)**

In addition, you need the following buses

- O 530 Citaro von alTerr
- O 530 Citaro G von alTerr
- O 530 Citaro Facelift von Helvete Morphis Soundpack ist required
- O530 Citaro 2 von Mx.dsgn

When inserting the Ahlheim V5 supplies, several folders with .hof-Files will be arranged in OMSI 2\Vehicles. So please make sure you insert the buses before inserting the official repaint pack.

## **Notes on performance**

Even though we kept an eye on a performance-friendly construction Ahlheim is still a large city. This includes an authentic city center together with large intersections, squares etc. In case your computer is not suited for this, we have some tips for you to improve your experience:

- Set the **object priority** in your settings to a **low level**. This way, not as many smaller objects like park benches or garbage cans will be loaded, especially in the city center.
- Set the **map complexity** in your settings to a **low level**. As a result less objects in back roads will be loaded.
- Adjust **priority for AI traffic**. The different levels will affect AI traffic as follows:
  - Priority 1: All playable lines on the map (= all AVG, Rostorf Reisen and BCL services, except supporting departures to university on lines 132 and 156); as this setting will already generate a lot of buses on the map you can also lower the maximum number of buses to be spawned in the OMSI settings. The maximum value you are going to need is 135.
  - Priority 2: All playable lines (except supporting departures to university) + Al lines (e. g. NIAG or Rheinlandbus regional services)
  - Priority 3: All playable lines (except supporting departures to university) + Al lines + train services in the outskirts
  - Priority 4: All playable lines incl supporting departures to university +
     Al lines + train services on the whole map (in this setting everything operates on the map)

These are only a few tips to provide a better experience also in densely built areas. You can find additional advice for optimized OMSI settings with good explanations for all steps here (article in German only):

Vorlage für optimale OMSI-Einstellungen - Tipps&Tricks - 3BRSW GmbH



## **Notes on performance**

If all of this is not helping we have to be honest and admit that you may not be able to run Ahlheim in its full size on your computer. However there are some nice services that you could try to discover. You will find these below, together with some informations on performance. Red sections might be critical, green sections are most likely not going to be a problem.

135*	Erckenfeld	Brecker Feld	Leuchtefurt	Tillmannsdorf	
141*	Universität	Hochweidentor	Rosental S	Burgfreisenberg	Vörrede
143	Siedl. Bösch	Rosental S	Lößstein	Traueregge	
146	BüroPark	Rosental S	Werle	Lößstein	Bendstein S
187*	2 01 01 011				
	Kranenburg	Hauptbahnhof	Kronprinzenstr.	Leuchtefurt	
191	Woltenausee	Kranenburg	Näckersberg	Nochem	

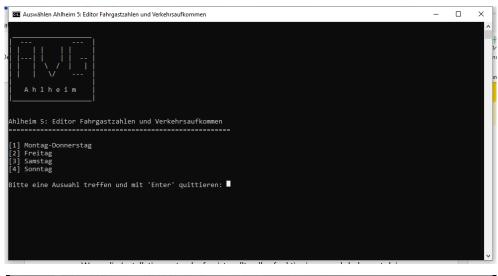
<sup>\*</sup>The lines 135, 141 and 187 feature additional short trips that operate only during certain times of the day and only in more performance-friendly areas. Please find more information on routes and service hours in this manual (see above) and the vehicle schedule files.

In the end the performance in the above-mentioned sections of course cannot be guaranteed but also depend on your settings (Al traffic, passengers, number of neighboring tiles etc.)



# "BAT-Editor" for passenger and traffic density

Inside the directory maps\Ahlheim 5\#Editor-Fahrgastzahlen-Verkehrsaufkommen" there is a BAT-file to simply adjust the passenger and traffic density on the map. Therefore several global.cfg-files with different settings are placed in subdirectories. By choosing a number of the several day type the passenger and traffic density can easily be adjusted. The "BAT-Editor" replaces the original global.cfg with the file oft he day type you choose. If necessary, please use you favoured translation program for another language.



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Ahlheim 5: Editor Fahrgastzahlen und Verkehrsaufkommen

Du hast Freitag aktiviert.
Gute Fahrt auf Ahlheim V5.

Drücken Sie eine beliebige Taste . . .
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## AVG Team

If the installation process went fine, everything should now work as planned and you can start off with your first trips through Ahlheim. Of course we hope that you enjoy our project a lot and we wish you hours of joy as you discover the city of Ahlheim and the AVG.

Best wishes,

the Ahlheim construction team, including:

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- Kartoffelphantom
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- omsi\_sw (Bauwagen)
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- Yufa
- Zane



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