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!! 🚨 Pwn2Own Berlin 2026 just hit a wall. For the first time in 19-years, ZDI rejected dozens of working zero-day RCE submissions because organizers ran out of contest slots.

Rejected hackers are now going public with PoC demos and direct vendor disclosures, breaking Pwn2Own's usual secrecy.

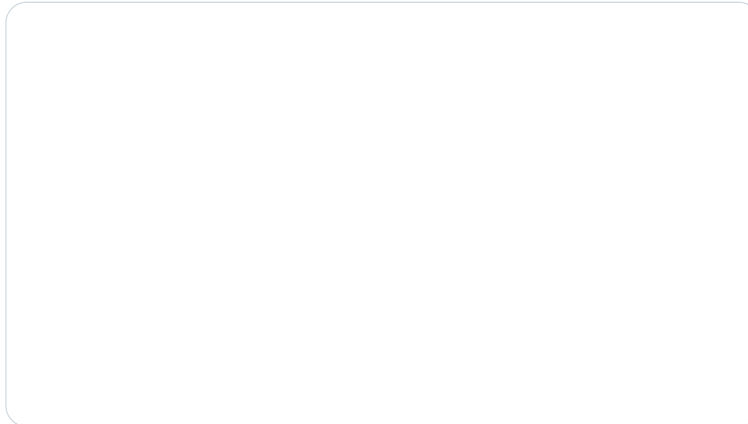
- AI surfaces a massive wave of 0-day RCEs.
- Submissions overwhelm ZDI past max capacity.
- Slots run out. Researchers with working chains get rejected.
- "Revenge disclosures" begin. ← we are here.

Confirmed casualties so far:

- @xchglabs : 86 vulnerabilities prepared (PyTorch, NVIDIA, Linux KVM, Oracle, Docker, Ollama, Chroma, LiteLLM, llama.cpp). All rejected. Now reporting directly to vendors with writeups dropping as patches land.
- @ggwhyh : full-chain Firefox RCE on Windows. Rejected. Publicly demoed (HTML page → cmd.exe → calc.exe). Responsibly disclosed to Mozilla.
- @yunsu_dev : working RCE chain, rejected. Submitting elsewhere.
- @ryotkak : tried to register for 3+ weeks. ZDI confirmed "at maximum capacity, can't add extra contest days." Considered canceling flight and hotel.
- @anzukino2802 : Claude Code RCE PoC. Rejected.
- @desckimh : 0-day RCEs in Ollama and LM Studio. Rejected.

Reported impact: a community-estimated 150+ researchers tried to register. Accepted contestants are now being warned about collisions. Rejected vulnerabilities going to bug bounty programs may trigger pre-event patches that invalidate the work of those who got in.

ZDI has not publicly addressed the capacity issue. The event still runs May 14-16 in Berlin.



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