

**2004 OLYMPIC TENNIS EVENT
FACT SHEET**

As at 1 January 2004

DATES: Opening Ceremony Closing Ceremony Olympic Tennis Event	Friday 13 August Sunday 29 August Sunday 15 – Sunday 22 August
Venue	Olympic Tennis Centre, Athens Olympic Sports Complex
Other Sports at the Olympic Park	Athletics, Basketball, Cycling, Gymnastics, Handball, Hockey, Modern Pentathlon, Swimming
No. of courts	10 match courts; 6 practice courts - All floodlit
Seating Capacity: Centre Court Show Court 1 Show Court 2 Remaining Courts	8000 4000 2000 7 courts seating for 200 each
Events	Men's / Women's Singles Men's / Women's Doubles
Surface	Deco Turf II
Official Ball	Wilson US Open
Referee	Stefan Fransson
Draw	Thursday 12 August – Athens 2004 Auditorium, ATHOC Headquarters, 11am
ITF Welcome Dinner	Saturday 14 August – Athens Lawn Tennis Club, 8.30 pm
Age Eligibility	MEN: Minimum 14 years by 31/12/2003 WOMEN: Minimum 15 years by 13/08/2004
Player Eligibility: Davis Cup/Fed Cup Requirements –	All players must make themselves available for selection to represent his/her country in any of the International Team Championships of the Federation for two (2) of the following years – 2001, 2002, 2003 or 2004 - provided that one of those years is either 2003 or 2004. In 2001, 2002, 2003 or 2004 of the Davis Cup or Fed Cup, a player who makes him/herself available for selection for one Tie will be deemed to have fulfilled the requirement for that year.
Number of Competitors	172 Maximum
Nominations	MEN: A maximum of six (6) men may be nominated by any one country. WOMEN: A maximum of six (6) women may be nominated by any one country. A maximum of four (4) men may compete in the men's singles and a maximum of four (4) women may compete in the women's singles. A maximum of four (4) men and four (4) women may compete as teams in the men's and women's doubles.
Size + Composition of Draws	Where practical no players from the same country shall be placed in the same quarter of the Draw. Men's Singles 64 Draw (48 direct acceptance, 14 ITF Places & 2 invitations*) Men's Doubles 32 Draw (top 10 ranked players eligible for direct acceptance*) Women's Singles 64 Draw (48 direct acceptance, 14 ITF Places & 2 invitations*) Women's Doubles 32 Draw (top 10 ranked players eligible for direct acceptance*) * Conditions apply – see Regulations. (ITF Places = Wild Cards)
Selection Date	International computer rankings of 14 June 2004 will be used to select players eligible for Direct Acceptance in singles and doubles.
Entry Deadlines	1 April '04 – National Associations to return completed Entry forms, endorsed by each NOC, to the ITF 17 June '04 – ITF to inform National Associations/NOCs of players eligible for direct acceptance and sends out application form for ITF places 28 June '04 – National Associations/NOCs to confirm the entry of players eligible for direct acceptance and to return application form for ITF places 5 July '04 – ITF to confirm to National Association/NOCs the allocation of ITF places 21 July '04 – NOCs to submit entry forms to Athens 2004 Organising Committee