

## ELIGIBILITY FOR THE OLYMPIC TENNIS EVENT – LA28

Save as provided in these rules, to be eligible to be nominated for and participate in the Olympic Tennis Event at the LA28 Olympic Games a player must fulfil the following eligibility criteria:

- i. The player must satisfy and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter in force from time to time, including but not limited to Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter (Nationality of Competitors) or any replacement or successor provision.
- ii. The player must be in good standing with his/her National Association and the ITF in accordance with the ITF Davis Cup Regulations or the ITF Billie Jean King Cup Regulations in force at the time of the LA28 Olympic Games.
- iii. The player must be eligible to represent the country of the National Association and National Olympic Committee that nominates the player by satisfying the Eligibility to Represent a Nation rule contained in the ITF Davis Cup Regulations and the ITF Billie Jean King Cup Regulations in force at the time of the LA28 Olympic Games.
- iv. The player must have reached the age of fourteen (14) years for the men's events and fifteen (15) years for the women's events by the opening day of the Olympic Tennis Event, validated by the passport used for accreditation registration.
- v. The player must have fulfilled the minimum participation requirement in the ITF Davis Cup or ITF Billie Jean King Cup Competitions during the Olympic Cycle, by being part of the final nominated Davis Cup or Billie Jean King Cup team, and present at the Tie/Event, on a minimum of two (2) occasions during the Olympic Cycle, provided that one of those occasions is in either 2027 or 2028.

For the avoidance of doubt, please note nomination for a Davis Cup Finals, Billie Jean King Cup Finals, or any Regional Group Event, shall count as one nomination, irrespective of how many Ties a player may play in during that Event.

Where the player has not met the minimum participation requirement set out at paragraph v. above, the relevant decision-maker (the "Panel") as specified in the Regulations for the Olympic Tennis Event may exercise its discretion to rule that a player who satisfies all other eligibility criteria is considered eligible for nomination for and participation in the Olympic Tennis Event when taking into consideration special circumstances including, but not limited to, the following:

- i. **Injury/Illness**  
The injury or illness must be evidenced through authorised medical records, clearly identifying the period of absence from all competitive tennis.
- ii. **Newcomer to Davis Cup or Billie Jean King Cup Competition**  
A player only reaches a ranking level sufficient for Davis Cup or Billie Jean King Cup selection by his/her National Association during the latter part of the Olympic Cycle.
- iii. **Strength of Nation**  
A National Association has a large number of highly-ranked players resulting in competition for selection, which limits a player's opportunities to participate in Davis Cup or Billie Jean King Cup Competition.

iv. **Commitment to and Achievement at the Olympic Tennis Event and/or Davis Cup or Billie Jean King Cup**

A player's historical participation and/or achievements in one or both competitions.

For the purpose of these rules, Olympic Cycle means the period commencing on Monday 5 August 2024 and ending on Monday 5 June 2028 **(date tbc)**.

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The ITF will publish the Regulations for the Olympic Tennis Event (the "Regulations") that will set out, among other things:

- these eligibility rules, subject to any amendment as issued by the IOC and/or the ITF;
- conditions of entry to the Olympic Tennis Event, binding upon the National Olympic Committees, National Associations and players; and
- the requirements for the filing of any application to the Panel.

The ITF will publish the Qualification System for the Olympic Tennis Event (the "Qualification System") that will set out, among other things, the rules, procedures and criteria for qualification to participate in the Olympic Tennis Event.

**These eligibility rules are subject to such further supplementary, additional or amending rules as are issued by the International Olympic Committee and/or the ITF in the Regulations, the Qualification System or otherwise prior to the commencement of the LA28 Olympic Tennis Event.**