

# U. S. OLYMPIC TEAM TRIALS – MEN’S 50 KM RACE WALK

## OFFICIAL ENTRY INFORMATION



**CHULA VISTA, CA ▼ FEBRUARY 15, 2004**



The 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk is conducted by USA Track & Field in cooperation with Elite Racing Inc.



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Dear Athlete:

The 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk will be conducted by USA Track & Field in cooperation with the Elite Racing, Inc. and the City of Chula Vista on Sunday, February 15, 2004. With your attainment of the qualifying standard, this Athlete Entry Handbook will provide you with all the information and procedures necessary to complete your entry into the Olympic Trials. Please study the contents closely.

We offer our congratulations to you, your coaches, and your family for your accomplishment of the Olympic Trials standard. We hope your performances over the years have prepared you for the challenge of competing for a position on the 2004 United States Olympic Track & Field Team. It is the goal of USA Track & Field to provide each and every qualified athlete a fair opportunity to secure that Olympic position.

The Race Walk Committee of USA Track & Field, chaired by Vince Peters, is responsible for the conduct of the Olympic Trials. The USA Track & Field National Administrator of this Olympic Trial is Sandy Snow.

For any additional Olympic Trials inquires, you may call or email:

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Indianapolis, IN 46225  
317-261-0500  
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Elite Racing, Inc.  
5452 Oberlin Drive  
San Diego, CA 92121  
858-450-6510  
email: Tracy@EliteRacing.com

We wish you the best in your effort to qualify at the Olympic Trials and become a member of our Olympic Track & Field Team. We look forward to your participation in Chula Vista.

Best Regards,

Bill Roe  
President

Craig A. Masback  
Chief Executive Officer

## QUICK FACTS

**Competition Date & Time:** February 15, 2004 – 7:30 a.m. Pacific Time

**Site:** Chula Vista Marina, Chula Vista, CA

**Course:** A 2000m loop on flat asphalt roadway. Course has hosted the 2003 Pan American 20 km Race Walk Cup

**Race Director:** Tracy Sundlun

**Qualifying Period:** January 1, 2002 – February 1, 2004

**Entry Process Begins:** January 5, 2004

**Entry Deadline:** February 4, 2004, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Late Entries Accepted Until:** February 6, 2004, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Status of Entries/Declarations Web Page:** Updates hourly - [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org). Click on “2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials”

**Declarations Begin:** February 9, 2004, 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time

**Declarations Close:** February 10, 2004, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Status of Entries/Declarations Web Page:** Updates hourly - [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org)

**Petition for Late Declarations Accepted:** February 11, 2004, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Eastern Time

**Airport:** San Diego International Airport

**Athlete Hotel:** **Holiday Inn**  
700 National City Blvd.  
National City, CA 91950  
P: (619) 474-2800  
Rate: \$65 single/double plus tax



Visit [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org)  
often for updated information about the  
**2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk**

## **PRIZE MONEY**

USA Track & Field and the Local Organizing Committee are jointly funding the prize money for the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk.

Prize structure is as follows:

	<u>USATF</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,000	\$6,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3,000	1,000	4,000
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	2,000	1,000	3,000
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	1,000	500	1,500
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	500	500	1,000

**A \$5,000 bonus will be divided equally among “A” standard finishers from the Olympic Trials who participate in the Olympic Games 50 km Race Walk.**

## **QUALIFYING STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES**

### **Qualifying Standards**

Athletes are eligible to participate in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk if they have walked 4:45:00.00 or faster.

### **Qualifying Window**

The 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Men’s 50 km Race Walk standard must be met between January 1, 2002 and February 1, 2004.

### **Qualifying Guidelines**

The following are the qualifying criteria that all entrants must meet in order to participate in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials –Men’s 50 km Race Walk:

- The qualifying mark must be made in a race on a certified course recognized by USA Track & Field or a member federation of the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF).
- The qualifying standard must be met between January 1, 2002 and February 1, 2004.
- All qualifying performances are subject to verification.

# SPECIAL QUALIFYING REGULATIONS

## **AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION** [USATF RULES 10.3 (b) iii]

An athlete is eligible for automatic qualification into the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk if that athlete has, during the year 2004, or during the four previous calendar years (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003), accomplished one of the following:

- Earned an individual medal in an Olympic Games or in an IAAF World Championships
- Won a USA 50 km Race Walk Championship
- Won a USA Olympic Trials event

**All athletes who are allowed entry into the Olympic Trials by the special qualifying regulations must submit an entry and follow the same declaration procedures as all other Olympic Trials qualifiers.**

Athletes entering as “automatic qualifiers” should list any qualifying performance details on their official entry form. Athletes whose entry into the Olympic Trials is based solely on the “automatic qualification” provision are **not eligible to receive funding based on the automatic qualification alone.**

## **ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE**

In addition to correctly entering the Olympic Trials and having equaled or bettered the Olympic Trials “A” qualifying standards during the stated qualifying period, the following criteria must be met:

- **For all athletes, a 2004 USATF membership number must be provided or entry will not be accepted.** USATF memberships may be renewed or obtained on-line at [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org), through your local USATF Association, or by calling the USATF National Headquarters at 317-261-0478 x345. The fee is \$20.
- Only citizens of the United States who are eligible to represent the United States in an Olympic competition under United States Olympic Committee and International Olympic Committee rules are eligible to compete in the Olympic Trials. Athletes who have citizenship questions should contact Jill Pilgrim, USATF’s general counsel at [Jill.Pilgrim@usatf.org](mailto:Jill.Pilgrim@usatf.org).
- Athletes must be in good standing with USATF.
- Athletes may enter the event even if they have not yet met the qualifying standard. However, athletes will not be permitted to compete unless they have:
  - Completed the entry process
  - Met the entry standard by February 1, 2004
  - Completed the declaration process
  - Have an updated athlete location form on file with USADA prior to competition if they are in the OUT-OF-COMPETITION (OOC) Drug-Testing Pool

## ENTRY INFORMATION

To compete in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk you must complete the entry process as follows:

<b>A 2004 USATF MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO ENTER</b>
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- All entries for the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk **must be submitted on-line at [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org)**
- On-line entry is the only method of entry. No other form of entry will be accepted.
- **On-time entries must be completed on-line by February 4, 2004, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. No entry fee is required.**
- A Help Line is available for those who need help with the entry process. For assistance call 317-261-0478 x325 during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.
- The Status of Entries/Declarations web page updates hourly: [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org) Click on “2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials”
- All performances are subject to verification.
- In order to enter on-line, please have the following information available:
  - 2004 USATF membership number
  - USATF membership password (see [www.usatf.org/members-only/](http://www.usatf.org/members-only/) for assistance)
  - Qualifying mark
  - Name, location and date of event where qualified
  - Affiliation (club)
  - Coach and/or agent’s name and phone number
  - An updated athlete location form on file with USADA if you are in the OUT-OF-COMPETITION (OOC) Drug-Testing Pool. Athletes with questions about the OOC Drug Testing Pool should call Melissa Beasley, Elite Athlete Programs Coordinator/USADA, at 317-261-0478 x335.

### LATE ENTRIES

- Late entries will be accepted if completed on-line between February 4, 2004, 5:01 p.m. Eastern Time and February 6, 2004, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.
- Late entries must be accompanied by a \$100.00 late fee.
- Late entries must be paid by credit card. **USATF prefers VISA.**

## **WHAT'S MY USATF PASSWORD AND WHERE DO I FIND IT?**

### **If you joined by paper application, it's:**

- in the confirmation e-mail you received after registration (if you provided your e-mail address)
- on the membership card mailer (the backing your card was attached to when you received it in the mail)

### **If you joined on-line, it's also:**

- on the confirmation webpage displayed after registration
- the password you chose during the registration process

### **If you cannot remember your password, you can retrieve it by:**

- visiting [www.usatf.org/members-only](http://www.usatf.org/members-only) and clicking on "Don't know your password?"
- calling USATF Member Services at 317-261-0478 x345

## **DECLARATIONS PROCESS**

**Once properly entered, all athletes must complete the declaration process. This process confirms your intention to compete in the Olympic Trials and allows you to update your qualifying mark.**

- **DECLARATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON-LINE** at [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org) . No other form of declarations will be accepted.
- Declarations begin at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time, Monday, February 9, 2004 and close at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, February 10, 2004.
- Each athlete or his representative must declare whether that athlete will or will not compete. The person declaring may submit any corrected or improved mark.
- Athletes not declaring will be scratched.
- A Help Line is available for those who need help with the declaration process. For assistance call 317-261-0478 x325 during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.
- The Status of Entries web page, which includes declaration status, updates hourly: [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org) . Click on "2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials"
- In order to make a declaration, please have all the following information available:
  - 2004 USATF membership number
  - USATF membership password (see [www.usatf.org/members-only/](http://www.usatf.org/members-only/) for assistance)
  - Athlete's name

- Athlete affiliation (club)
- Qualifying mark
- Name, location and date of event where qualified and race director
- Phone number for call-back questions

## LATE DECLARATION

- Petitions for late declaration will be accepted during the following time period:  

Wednesday, February 11, 2004 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Eastern Time
- Petitions may be filed by calling 317-261-0478 x325.
- Athletes submitting a petition for late declarations will be assessed a \$100 fee.
- No declarations will be accepted after 12:00 noon Eastern Time, Wednesday, February 11, 2004.

## ATHLETE FUNDING

The 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk funding policy is different from previous Olympic Trials. Funding is not based on qualifying standards. Athletes will receive funding, to help defray their expenses, if they have met one of the following criteria:

- An athlete ranked in the top 50 in the world, according to the 2003 IAAF Performance List as of 12/31/03, and who has met the Olympic Trials qualifying mark in the 50 km Race Walk during the Olympic Trials qualifying period (January 1, 2002 – February 1, 2004) will receive \$1,000. **The athlete must compete in the Olympic Trials to receive funding.** These athletes will receive funds prior to the start of their race, however, if an athlete decides not to compete in the Olympic Trials, the funds must be returned to USATF. Notification of the method of funds distribution will be provided at a later date.
- The top 12 finishers at the Olympic Trials, not previously qualified for funding based on their 2003 performance, will receive \$1,000. These athletes will receive their checks after drug test results from the Olympic Trials have been received and confirmed.
- Athletes whose entry into the Olympic Trials is based solely on the “automatic qualification” provision are not eligible to receive funding based on the automatic qualification unless they have also met the criteria listed above.

## AIR TRAVEL

Athletes traveling by air to the Olympic Trials will find it convenient to fly into San Diego International Airport. Athletes are responsible for making all travel arrangements.



# HOUSING

**Athletes are responsible for making their own housing arrangements. Neither USATF nor the LOC will reserve rooms for athletes. Athletes housing is available on a first-come, first-served basis.**

Discounted rates are being offered by four San Diego area hotels. Call the hotel directly and be sure to mention that you are participating in the Race Walk Olympic Trails. The Holiday Inn National City is the Olympic Trials Headquarter Hotel. Read below for hotel details.

## **Headquarter Hotel**

### **Holiday Inn**

700 National City Blvd.

National City, CA 91950

P: (619) 474-2800

F: (619) 474-1689

Rate: \$65 single/double plus tax

Complimentary San Diego Airport & Amtrak Shuttle

Distance to race site: approx. 5 miles

**Shuttle to start from this hotel ONLY**

## **Hampton Inn**

1531 Pacific Highway

San Diego, CA 92101

P: (619) 233-8408

F: (619) 233-8418

Rate: \$99 single/double plus tax

(Two-night minimum Saturday/Sunday; Saturday arrival only)

Distance to race site: approx. 10 miles

## **Residence Inn by Marriott – downtown San Diego**

1747 Pacific Highway

San Diego, CA 92101

P: (619) 338-8200

F: (619) 338-8219

Rate: \$129 single/double plus tax

(Two-night minimum Friday/Saturday or Saturday/Sunday)

Distance to race site: approx. 11 miles

## **Hilton San Diego Gaslamp Quarter**

401 K Street

San Diego, CA 92101

P: (619) 231-4040

F: (619) 231-6439

Rate: \$179 single/double plus tax

Distance to race site: approx. 11 miles

## GROUND TRANSPORTATION

The San Diego International Airport is serviced by all major rental car agencies and various shuttle services. Visit [www.san.org](http://www.san.org) for ground transportation information.

An event shuttle will be provided to the start line from the Holiday Inn (athlete hotel) only.

## PACKET PICK-UP

Information about the time and location of “Athlete Packet Pick-up” will be provided to qualifiers at a later date. Please visit [www.usatf.org](http://www.usatf.org) often for updated information.

## DRUG TESTING

Athletes who participate in the Olympic Trials are subject to drug testing in accordance with IAAF Procedural Guidelines for Doping Control or the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code. The United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) will be responsible for conducting comprehensive drug testing during the Olympic Trials. Drug Testing, and the adjudication of positive finding, will be carried out by the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA). Athletes found to have committed a doping violation will be disciplined according to the USADA Protocol and suspended, if appropriate, according to IAAF rules. Such penalties may result in a period of ineligibility as well as disqualification from the Olympic Trials. Any substance taken by an athlete is at his/her own risk and may result in a positive sample. **(This includes cold medicines, nutritional supplements, and some over the counter medicines).** Information on drugs and medications and about drug testing may be obtained by calling the USADA Drug Reference Hotline at **800-233-0393** or visiting the USADA website: [www.usantidoping.org](http://www.usantidoping.org)

Once USA Track & Field has nominated the 2004 Olympic Track & Field Team to the USOC, all eligibility matters with respect to the Olympic Games will be determined in accordance with the USOC Grievance Procedures.

**PLEASE CONSIDER THE TIME NECESSARY FOR PROVIDING A SAMPLE AND PROCESSING PAPERWORK AT THE END OF YOUR EVENT WHEN MAKING TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS.**

## OLYMPIC GAMES PROCESSING

Athletes who are to be nominated to the 2004 Olympic Team must declare their intent to represent the U.S. during team sign-up to be conducted from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time on February 15, 2004. The athlete information packet received at packet pick-up will provide the location for Olympic Team processing.

# OLYMPIC TRIALS COMPETITOR'S CLOTHING POLICY

## COMPETITOR CLOTHING

Athlete competition attire, warm-up attire, and other apparel worn at any 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials (Olympic Trials) are governed by United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and International Olympic Committee (IOC) regulations. Per USATF's agreement with the USOC, the athlete clothing policy for the Olympic Trials will allow both club names and a manufacturer's name/logo on an athlete's attire. The size of the club name and manufacturer's name/logo must meet IAAF guidelines (outlined below).

**It is the responsibility of the athlete to ensure his/her clothing meets these requirements. Strict adherence to these Olympic Trials rules will be enforced at the competition - if your attire does not meet these requirements, you will not be permitted to wear it in the Olympic Trials.**

Only clubs registered with USATF in 2003 are eligible to have their club name on the competition or warm-up attire at the Olympic Trials and in order for athletes to be permitted to wear the club uniform at Olympic Trials events, their club must be a registered 2004 USATF club. Clubs registered in 2002 or earlier, or registering for the first time, may apply for a waiver of this restriction, which must be approved in writing by the USATF Events Department. If you wish to apply for a waiver or have any questions about these rules and regulations, please contact Kelly Schulte at the USATF National Headquarters (317-261-0478 x325).

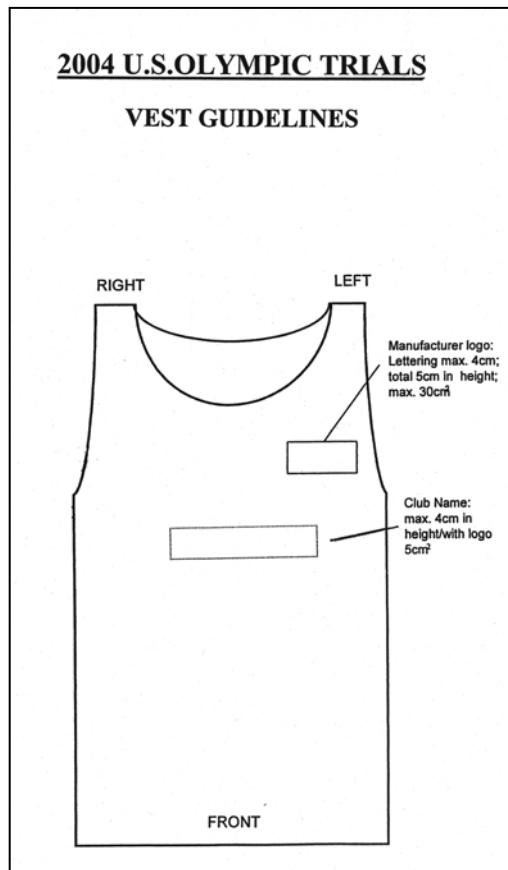
## UPPER-BODY ATTIRE

### Manufacturer's Logo and Club Identification

Competition attire (**vests/leotards**) worn by an athlete on the upper body may carry a manufacturer's logo on the left chest, which may be a maximum of a 30cm<sup>2</sup> rectangle with the lettering a maximum height of 4cm and the total logo a maximum height of 5cm. **The manufacturer's logo may appear only once on vests/leotards.** (See diagram)

Other competition and warm-up attire (**track suit tops, t-shirts, sweatshirts, rain jackets**) worn by an athlete on the upper body must conform to the same regulations as the vests/leotards, except the size of the manufacturer's logo display on such attire may be a maximum of a 40cm<sup>2</sup> rectangle.

In addition, an athlete who is a member of a duly registered club (as described above) may, on their upper-body attire, have the **club name** appear once on the front **or** back of the shirt or singlet in letters a maximum of 4cm high but not restricted in width. The size of the identification is considered to be the size while worn by the athlete. (See diagram)



## **LOWER-BODY ATTIRE**

### **Manufacturer's Name/Logo**

The manufacturer's name/logo is the only identification that may appear on lower-body competition attire (**shorts, tights**), and it may be a maximum of 20cm<sup>2</sup> in area, with a maximum height of 4cm and may appear only once.

**Socks** may also have the manufacturer's name/logo displayed once, with a maximum size of 5cm<sup>2</sup> in area, and a maximum height of 2.5cm.

**Other competition and warm-up attire** worn on the lower body is subject to the same requirements as that for the competition attire for the lower body.

The identification of the name/logo of the manufacturer on **other apparel** such as headgear, hats, headbands, gloves, armbands, wristbands, glasses and sunglasses is limited to one identification mark, which may be a maximum size of 6cm<sup>2</sup>.

## **EXCLUSIVE COMMERCIAL RIGHTS OF THE UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE**

All commercial rights to the 2004 U. S. Olympic Team Trials (Olympic Trials), including but not limited to broadcast, internet, photography, sponsorship and advertising, are under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC). For the participating athletes in the Olympic Trials, this includes the following:

All broadcast rights, including but not limited to television, film, radio and the internet, are strictly controlled by the USOC. All persons are prohibited from using any photographs, videotape or other audio and/or audiovisual recordings of the Olympic Trials on the Internet or for commercial purposes without prior written consent of the USOC. ***In other words, no one is allowed to make commercial use of any photographs or videos or any digital recordings/pictures of the competition on the internet or in any other medium without prior written permission.***

Participating athletes must follow the "Competitor's Clothing" policy outlined elsewhere in this entry handbook. ***This must be strictly adhered to, and a participant will not be permitted to compete in a uniform that does not meet these requirements.***

All participating athletes must explicitly sign or acknowledge a "Name and Likeness" waiver that provides the USOC the right to reproduce, publish and otherwise distribute, in any medium, the names, pictures, likenesses and voices, as well as any biographical material (as applicable) of the participants in the Olympic Trials. The USOC, however, is NOT permitted to use this right in a manner that suggests an endorsement of any product or service, or of any other event, without the written consent of the individual involved. ***The "Name and Likeness" waiver will be agreed to during the entry process on-line.***

A sponsor, supplier or licensee of any participant is not permitted to publicize its association with the participating athlete in a manner that suggests a relation to the 2004 Olympic Games, the Olympic Trials, the U.S. Olympic Team or the USOC, and is not permitted to use any Olympic-

related marks, words or designations in advertising or other promotional activities. ***No sponsor, supplier or licensee may use any “O” word terminology in any publicity or promotion with you.***

No “Ambush Advertising” is allowed. This means there can be no commercial identification of any product or service or any promotional matter of any kind (e.g., name, logo, trademark or trade name of any third party) to appear in: (a) camera-visible competition areas of the Olympic Trials, (b) on the uniforms or on the bibs/numbers of the competitors, except as outlined in the “Competitor’s Clothing” policy elsewhere in this handbook, or (c) in camera-visible areas that are located in proximity to the site of the Olympic Trials (e.g., warm up area, start and finish areas, etc.) that are controlled by the organizers. ***Only commercial identification outlined in the competitor’s clothing policy is allowed in or near the competition site. An on-course sign (hand-held or otherwise) with any commercial identification is not allowed.***

If you have any questions regarding these rights, please contact Kelly Schulte in the USATF Events Department at 317-261-0478 x325.

## **2004 OLYMPIC GAMES INFORMATION**

*28<sup>th</sup> Olympiad; Athens, Greece; August 13-29, 2004*

### **2004 U.S. OLYMPIC TRACK & FIELD STAFF**

Position	Men's Staff	Women's Staff
Head Coach	George Williams	Sue Humphrey
Head Manager	Charlie Craig	Stephanie Hightower
Assistant Coaches	Orin Richburg	Curtis Frye
	Ralph Linderman	Craig Poole
	Criss Somerlot	Jeri Daniels-Elder
	Vin Lananna	Beth Alford-Sullivan
	Bob Larsen	Julia Emmons

### **2004 OLYMPIC GAMES QUALIFYING PERIOD**

The qualifying period for the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens is different from the qualifying period for the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Men’s 50 km Race Walk. The 2004 Olympic Games qualifying period is **January 1, 2003 through August 9, 2004.**

### **2004 OLYMPIC GAMES QUALIFYING STANDARDS/GUIDELINES**

The qualifying standards guidelines for the 2004 Olympic Games are different from those of the U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men’s 50 km Race Walk. All qualifying marks for the 2004 Olympic Games must be made in a 50 km Race Walk event. In addition, an athlete must compete in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Men’s 50 km Race Walk in order to be selected to the 2004 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team.

**The 2004 Olympic Games qualifying standards for the Men's 50 km Race Walk are:**

**Men's Olympic - A Standard – 4:00:00**

**Men's Olympic - B Standard – 4:07:00**

## **2004 OLYMPIC GAMES MEN'S 50 KM RACE WALK SCHEDULE**

**Men's Olympic 50 km Race Walk**

**Athens, Greece**

**7:00 a.m., Sunday, August 27, 2004**

## **U.S. OLYMPIC TRACK & FIELD TEAM SELECTION PROCESS**

**The U.S. Olympic Track & Field Team will be selected as follows:**

### **Individual Event Selections**

An athlete's rank order of finish at the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Men's 50 km Race Walk and the number of athletes that have achieved the Olympic "A" qualification standard will be used to select members of the U. S. Olympic Track & Field Team.

The following criteria will be used to nominate athletes to the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team:

**Order of Finish:** All athletes competing in an Olympic Trials event will be assigned a rank based upon the order of finish for that event. An athlete must finish the event in order to be assigned a rank. Athletes will be assigned a rank based upon their place-finish in the Olympic Trials.

**Olympic "A" Standard:** The number of athletes who have achieved the Olympic "A" standard in a designated event will determine the number of athletes who will be nominated (up to 4) to the U.S. Olympic Team.

### **For all track & field events:**

- 1) No later than July 18, 2004, USATF will nominate to the USOC the names of four athletes in each individual event. These athletes are then considered to be candidates for the Olympic Team. Only these athletes may subsequently be entered to compete and thereby become official Olympic Team members, based upon the qualifying standard met by these individual athletes.
- 2) These four candidates are selected by virtue of their place of finish at the Olympic Trials and qualifying standards that they have achieved after January 1, 2003.
- 3) If there are four or more athletes who have achieved the "A" standard in an event, then the top four "A" qualifiers will be nominated as candidates in rank order of finish from the Olympic Trials.

- 4) If there are fewer than four athletes who have achieved the “A” standard, then all those who have achieved the “A” standard will be nominated as candidates. To fill out the list of four candidates, the highest-placing finishers who have achieved the “B” standard will be nominated in order of finish at the Olympic Trials. If there are not enough “B” standard athletes to fill the list of four Candidates, then the highest-placing finishers at the Olympic Trials who are without a standard will be added to the list of four candidates in order of finish at the Olympic Trials.
- 5) All athletes who are listed as Olympic Team Candidates on July 18, 2004 will have until August 9, 2004 to achieve an Olympic Games qualifying mark (“A” or “B” standard). Only these athletes may subsequently be nominated to the Olympic Team, based upon the qualifying standard met by these individual athletes.
- 6) At the close of the qualifying period on August 9, 2004, the Olympic Team will be determined based upon qualifying standards met by the candidates.
- 7) If two or more athlete candidates in an event have met the Olympic “A” standard by August 9, 2004, those athletes (up to 3) will be nominated to the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team in rank order of finish from the Olympic Trials.
- 8) If only one athlete candidate in an event has met the Olympic “A” standard by August 9, 2004, only the highest placing athlete who has met either the “A” or “B” standard will be nominated to the 2004 Olympic Team.

### **Replacement of Athletes**

An athlete who withdraws from the team after July 18, 2004 will be replaced by the next eligible nominated candidate who has achieved the Olympic Games qualifying standard, in rank order of finish at the Olympic Trials.



## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**USATF National Headquarters**  
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