

USEFUL INFORMATION LEAFLET



1. UPON YOUR ARRIVAL

AIRPORT – HOSPITALITY DESK

From June 21st to June 23rd a Hospitality Desk will be operating at Shengen Treaty and excluded Shengen Treaty area, at the arrivals gate to welcome you and assist you.

June 21st and June 22nd : 09.00 - 21.00hrs

June 23rd : 00.01 – 23.59 & June 24th : 00.01 – 01.00

For delegations arriving on June 23d, shuttle service will be provided free of charge from the Organizing City of the Games, from the Athens International Airport to all the official hotels (operating from 00.01 - 23.59). **You are kindly requested to visit the Hospitality Desks at the Airport in order to assist you for your transfer from Airport to Official Hotels of Stay.**

AIRPORT – CURRENCY EXCHANGE

We recommend all delegations to exchange their money to euro currency at the airport, upon your arrival. Alternatively, close to all the official hotels there are banks where you can exchange currency all days besides weekends.

LATE ARRIVALS, JUNE 23RD

The technical meeting will take place on June 23rd at 21.00hr.

For all the delegations that will not be able to attend the meeting (due to arrival after 19.00 hrs to the airport on June 23rd) an envelope with the competition schedule and the accreditation will be prepared. Upon checking-in, kindly visit the Hospitality Desk and ask from the Liaison officer for your envelope.

The Hospitality Desk will be operating until 02.00 hrs on June 24th for your assistance.

For arrivals after 02.00hrs on June 24th, the envelope can be collected from the Hotel's Reception.

2. HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

CHECK-IN AND CHARGES POLICIES

Check-in time: 14.00 hrs

Check-out: 12.00 hrs

Upon checking-in each Head Coach must present a valid credit card for any incidental charges that may occur in any of its member delegations room. Signature, Credit Card Number and Expiration Date will be required upon checking in.

HOSPITALITY DESK OPERATING SCHEDULE:

June 23rd, operating from 08.30 – 24.00 & June 24th 00.01 – 02.00

June 24th to June 28th, operating from 08.30 – 21.00

LIAISON OFFICERS

Liaison officers are at your disposal, daily, from 08.30 – 21.00 at the hotel of your stay (only for official hotels). For any problem or assistance, kindly visit the hospitality desk and ask for their assistance, or contact them at the telephone numbers (daily from 09.00 – 21.00, for the period June 23rd to June 27th) mentioned in the list included in your bag.

For any assistance, prior to 09.00 or after 21.00 kindly call the ICG Help Line (+30) 697 4477104.

3. ACCREDITATION OFFICE – ZAPPEION MEGARON

All delegates are kindly requested to visit Accreditation Office in order to receive their accreditation and their bag. It is very important to carry always the accreditation badge in order to have access at the shuttle service and athletic and social events venues.

Shuttle service will be operating from/to Official Hotels & Athletic Centres – Zappeion Megaron, from June 23rd to June 27th.

ACCREDITATION SECRETARIAT

Operating Hours

23 JUNE, 09.00 – 21.00

24 JUNE, 09.00 – 21.00

25 JUNE, 09.00 – 21.00

26 JUNE, 09.00 – 21.00

27 JUNE, 09.00 – 21.00

For all the delegations that will not be able to visit the Accreditation Office on June 23rd (due to arrival after 19.00 hrs to the airport on June 23rd) an envelope with their accreditation badges (only for coaches & athletes) will be prepared. Upon checking-in, kindly visit the Hospitality Desk and ask from the Liaison officer for your envelope.

The Hospitality Desk will be operating until 02.00 hrs on June 24th for your assistance.

For arrivals after 02.00hrs on June 24th, the envelope can be collected from the Hotel's Reception.

HEAD OF DELEGATIONS

Each Head of Delegation will be requested from the Accreditation Secretariat to **provide his/her mobile phone during the games – for emergency issues.**

Also, each Head of Delegation is **kindly requested to re-confirm the departure schedule** of each delegation, **especially for the delegations departing on June 28th** in order to ensure timely departure to the Athens International Airport.

4. HOSPITALITY – FOOD

OFFICIAL HOTELS

ATHENS IMPERIAL

2-4-6, Ailleos & Meg.Alexandrou street
Closest Metro Station : Metaxourghion (Line 2)
Tel. 0030 2105201600

BEST WESTERN ESPERIA PALACE HOTEL

22, Stadiou, 10564 Athens
Metro Station : Panepistimio (Line 2)
Tel. 0030 2103238000

DIVANI CARA VEL HOTEL

2 Vas. Alexandrou Ave, Athens
Closest Metro Station : Evangelismos (Line 3)
Tel. 0030 2107207000

DIVANI PALACE ACROPOLIS

19-25 Parthenonos Street, Athens
Closest Metro Station : Acropolis (Line 2)
Tel. 0030 2109280100

NOVOTEL

4-6 Michail Voda and Makedonias Street, Athens
Closest Metro Station : Larissis Station (Line 2)
Tel. 0030 2108200700

PRESIDENT HOTEL

43, Kifissias Avenue, Athens
Closest Metro Station : Panormou (Line 3)
Tel. 0030 2106989000

TITANIA HOTEL

52, Panepistimiou Ave.,
Closest Metro Station : Panepistimio (Line 2)
Tel. 0030 2103326200

Hospitality Desk Operating Hours:

June 23rd, operating from 08.30 – 24.00 & June 24th 00.01 – 02.00

June 24th to June 28th, operating from 08.30 – 21.00

FOOD

Kindly note that all the meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner) will be provided at the hotel of your stay.

The last meal provided complimentary will be breakfast on June 28th.

Kindly find below the daily schedule:

June 23rd, lunch and dinner according to hotels' official schedule
June 24th breakfast served from 06.00 , lunch 12.00 – 15.00, dinner 19.00 – 22.00
June 25th breakfast served from 05.30, lunch 12.00 – 15.00 dinner 20.00 – 23.00
June 26th breakfast served from 05.30, lunch 12.00 – 15.00, dinner 20.00 – 23.00
June 27th, breakfast served from 05.30, lunch 12.00 – 15.00, dinner 19.00 – 22.00
June 28th, breakfast

Kindly note that drinks are not included in the meals.

Water stations are available at each venue whereby athletes, coaches and officials of each sport would have access to.

5. COMPETITIONS

Kindly visit daily our website www.athens2009icg.gr in order to be informed about the results of the games / competitions and also be informed about the social events taking place daily.

The results of the competitions will also be posted every night at the Information Board next to the Hospitality Desk of Official Hotels.

Athletic Venues

GOUDI

Papandreou & Kanellopoulou Str., Goudi

SWIMMING – BOYS

SWIMMING – GIRLS

VOLLEYBALL – GIRLS

METS Indoor Court 1

70 Markou Mousourou Str., Mets

BASKETBALL – BOYS

METS Indoor 2

70 Markou Mousourou Str., Mets

BASKETBALL – GIRLS

ROUF Outdoor Pitch 1 & 2

Pireos & Echelidon 69 str., Rouf

FOOTBALL – BOYS

ROUF Indoor Court

Pireos & Echelidon 69 str., Rouf

BASKETBALL – BOYS

ALEPOTRYPA Outdoor Pitch

Kythiron & Anafis Str., Alepotrypa

FOOTBALL – GIRLS

AKADIMIA PLATONOS Outdoor Pitch

Drakontos Str., Akadimias Platonos

FOOTBALL – BOYS

PANELLINIOS G.S.

2 Evelpidon Str., Athens

ATHLETICS – BOYS

ATHLETICS – GIRLS

ATHENS TENNIS CLUB

2 Vas. Olgas Str., Athens

TENNIS – BOYS

TENNIS – GIRLS

ILIOUPOLI Indoor Hall

MUNICIPAL GYM

Ethnarhou Makariou &

Iros Konstantopoulou Str., Ilioupoli

GYMNASTICS – BOYS

GYMNASTICS – GIRLS

GKRAVA Indoor Court

Passov, G. Hatzidaki &

Taygetou str., Gkrava

VOLLEYBALL - BOYS

6. SOCIAL EVENTS

OPENING CEREMONY

On June 24th, at 20.00 all delegations will be gathered at Kallimarmaro Stadium for the Opening Ceremony of the 43rd International Children's Games. The Opening Ceremony will start at 21.00. More details about the schedule of the event will be provided during the Technical Meeting, taking place at Zappeion Megaron, on June 23rd, at 21.00 hrs.

CLOSING CEREMONY

June 27th, 20.30, Zappeion Megaron

More details about the schedule of the event will be provided during the Technical Meeting, taking place at Zappeion Megaron, on June 23rd, at 21.00 hrs.

SOCIAL EVENTS AT ZAPPEION

During the days of the games, for children not competing, there will be social program at Zappeion. It will be called "Children and City" and will be organized by the City of Athens. Special Athletic shows will take place to present sports that demand physical exercise and skills.

Particularly, the athletic shows that will take place in Zappeio yard, will include :

- BMX show
- Skateboard
- Capoeira dance
- Bungee trampoline
- Tower Climbing
- Swinging roller balls

The children that will participate at the program "Child and City", will have the chance to get in touch with these new sports as well as exercise them under the supervision of expert teachers

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE OF ACROPOLIS (JUNE 25& 26TH)

The greatest and finest sanctuary of ancient Athens, dedicated primarily to its patron, the goddess Athena, dominates the centre of the modern city from the rocky crag known as the Acropolis. The most celebrated myths of ancient Athens, its greatest religious festivals, earliest cults and several decisive events in the city's history are all connected to this sacred precinct. The monuments of the Acropolis stand in harmony with their natural setting. These unique masterpieces of ancient architecture combine different orders and styles of Classical art in a most innovative manner and have influenced art and culture for many centuries. The Acropolis of the fifth century BC is the most accurate reflection of the splendour, power and wealth of Athens at its greatest peak, the golden age of Perikles



BRING YOUR OWN CAMERA!



During the International Children's Games' parallel events, a television studio will be created. The studio will operate as a web television network for the games broadcasting athletes' interviews as well as "best-of game" scenes.

The International Children's Games are completely dedicated to children therefore, the web TV journalists will be children as well.

Due to the aforementioned reason, all participating teams are requested to bring their own camera to the games. In doing so, each team will be able to collect its own footage and interview the young athletes of their own team or those of another team.

The chief of each team will be responsible for the delivery of the videos to the web TV department every afternoon.

Upon arriving in Athens, each team will be responsible for informing the organizers which individual is in charge of the selection of video material. This person will also be the one delivering the videos to the web TV department.

At the end of the games, a video clip of all the best parts of the games will be created and will be sent to all teams.

7. TOURS

A Tours Desk will be operating at Zappeion Megaron for everyone wishing to visit some of the most famous monuments, historic places of Athens and Greece. **The Tour Desk will be located at the Hospitality Secretariat.**

The Tours Desk will be **operating daily from 09.00 – 21.00, from June 23rd to June 27th.** **Alternatively, you can book your tours from the Hospitality Desks of official hotels.**

8. SHUTTLE SERVICE DURING THE GAMES

There will be shuttle service provided, from June 23rd to June 27th as follows:

From/to Official Hotels - Zappeion Megaron
From/to Zappeion Megaron - Athletic Venues
From/to Zappeion Megaron - Social Events Venues
From/to Official Hotels – Social Events Venues

The program of the shuttle service will be announced at the Information Board located next to the Hospitality Desk of the Official Hotels.

You are kindly requested to arrange your departure from the hotels to the athletic venues, around one (1) hour prior to the time you should arrive at the venue.

All shuttles will be operating through Zappeion Megaron.

9. JUNE 28TH, UPON DEPARTURE / SHUTTLE SERVICE TO AIRPORT

On June 28th, in a 24hour basis there will be shuttle service provided from all official hotels to Athens International Airport. You are kindly requested to consult the shuttle service program posted on each hotel's Hospitality Desk.

You should arrange your delegation's departure to the airport in a period of at least 2,5 hours prior to your flights departure.

10. WEATHER IN ATHENS

The weather in Athens, from June 23rd to June 28th will be sunny with temperature grading from 21 to 31 degrees Celsius. You are recommended to wear your suntan lotion and also carry your ICG hat and an umbrella from 10.00 – 19.00hrs.

[Emergency phone numbers](#)

Ambulance 166
Emergency Fire Brigade 199
Emergency Hospitals 14944
Athens International Airport 210 35 30 000
Pharmacies on duty 14944
Police 112
Tourist Police 171

24hour ICG Helpline : 697 4477104

Looking forward to welcoming you in Athens!