

# NEW STAMP ISSUES

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**Albania:** August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Four se-tenant stamps showing symbolic athletes. 20 lek soccer player; 30 lek water polo; 40 lek runner; 50 lek cyclist.

**Angola:** September 20, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Four 30kz stamps depicting symbolic athletes, basketball; volleyball; running; canoeing.

**Antigua & Barbuda:** January 5, 2009. Sports of the Summer Games. Pane of four se-tenant \$1.40 stamps, baseball; beach volleyball; artistic gymnastics; judo.

**Austria:** March 7, 2009. Formula 1 Legends. €1 Lewis Hamilton, race car.

**Bosnia-Herzegovina:** April 10, 2008. 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shooting Club of Sarajevo. 1.50m target, rifle.

May 5, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 1m judo; 1.50m shot putter, runner. Offset in sheets of 8 with center label.

**Canada:** January 12, 2009. Vancouver Olympics. Update. The five nondenominated stamps were issued in booklets of 10 and booklets of 30. The stamps were issued in souvenir sheets of 5. Five international rate postal cards issued on the same date.

January 12, 2009. Vancouver Olympics. Two nondenominated (54¢) permanent stamps in coils of 100, one stamp depicts logo of the XXI Winter Games, the other logo of the X Winter Paralympic Games. 98¢ Olympic Mascot Miga in booklets of six and coils of 50. \$1.65 Olympic Mascot Quatchi, booklets of six and coils of 50; set of three international rate postcards depicting logos, Miga, Quatchi and Sumi.

February 12, 2009. \$1.18 Paralympic Mascot Sumi, booklets of six and coils of 50. A souvenir sheet of five logos and mascot stamps.

**China:** December 18, 2008. 30<sup>th</sup> Ann. of Reform. 1.20y stamp has the Bird's Nest Stadium depicted.

February 18, 2009. 24<sup>th</sup> World University Winter Games. Two \$1.20 diamond-shaped stamps, logo, stars, snowflakes; Dong Dong mascot with goggles, scarf.

**Colombia:** November 23, 2008. National Games. 1,500p emblem, mascot with torch.

**Dominican Republic:** 2008. Beijing Olympics. Four se-tenant 10p stamps, taekwondo; boxing; table tennis; judo.

**Equatorial Guinea:** 2008. African Cup of Nations Soccer Championship. Four se-tenant stamps, 400fr soccer ball and show; 450fr gloves, ball; 500fr, 600fr different scenes of players, net.

**France:** January 31, 2009. Alpine World Ski Championships. Held at Val d'Isere, pane of five se-tenant €0.55 stamps. Super combined; slalom; downhill; giant slalom; spectators at Val d'Isere.



January 31, 2009. Vendee Globe Race. €0.55 sailboats, Vendee.

**Georgia:** December 5, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 10t shooting; 30t wrestling; 60t weightlifting; 80t judo, offset in sheets of 10.

**Greece:** October 19, 2008. Sports Club. €0.40 club's coat of arms, two athletes; €0.57 double headed eagle; €0.70 star; €2 lion; €3 discus thrower.

**Honduras:** July 30, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 3 lep hand with torch; two 5-lep stamps running, martial arts; 25 lep soccer players.

**Isle of Man:** January 15, 2009. Lewis Hamilton's 2008 Formula One World Championship. Se-tenant pair of stamps; 30p race car; 31p Hamilton celebrating; se-tenant pair of stamps, 56p car crossing finish line; 85p aerial view of Hamilton in car; se-tenant pair of stamp, 98p car, crowd; £1.42 Hamilton with arms upraised.

**Israel:** February 17, 2009. Extreme Sports. 4.40s mountain biking; 5.40s free fall skydiving; 5.60s surfing. Sheets of 15 and 5 tabs.

**Jordan:** July 16, 2008. Aqaba. Set of four, two sport stamps, 15pi scuba diver, sailboat; 30pi large double masted sailboat.

**Kenya:** August 21, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 25sh three runners with the flag; 65sh women's volleyball; 75sh three women runners from Kenya, one from Jamaica; 95sh boxers.

**Kyrgyzstan:** November 22, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Overprint honoring Olympic Medalists K. Begaliev and R. Tyumenbaev on Beijing Olympic miniature sheet of eight issued March 1, 2008.

**Moldova:** November 21, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Overprint on 6.20 leu Beijing Olympics boxing stamp, honoring boxing bronze medalist Vyacheslav Gozhan.



**Monaco:** February 16, 2009. 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Monaco Fencing and Handgun Club. €0.55 fencer, emblem.

February 16, 2009. 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour of Italy. €0.70 cyclists (shown at left).

**Netherlands:** March 10, 2009. Dutch Golf Federation. Personalized self-adhesive €0.44 stamp. Frame with country name and denomination in gray, central design can be personalized. Generic version shows golfer, emblem of the Dutch Golf Federation. Offset in sheets of ten.

**New Caledonia:** December 15, 2008. Pacific Games. 110fr symbolic people, flame.

**New Zealand:** February 4, 2009. Champions of World Motor Sport. 50¢ stamp Scott Dixon; two \$1 stamps, Bruce McLaren; \$1.50 Ivan Mauger; \$2 Denny Hulme; \$2.50 Hugh Anderson; souvenir sheet contains the five stamps. Two booklets, one contains 10 50¢ self-adhesive stamps the other contains 10 \$1 self-adhesive stamps. Offset in sheets of 25 and coils of 100.

**Russia:** December 5, 2008. Shuvalov Swimming School. 8r swimmer.

December 5, 2008. World Hockey Champions. 8r hockey player, trophy. Offset in sheets of 12 with four central labels.

December 11, 2008. Bicycles. Four 7r stamps, 1917 Leitner; 1938 racing bicycle; 1946 bicycle; 1954 B-22 bicycle. Offset in sheets of nine and in miniature sheets of eight stamps and a central label with the designs being se-tenant.

**San Marino:** February 20, 2009. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of National Olympic Committee. €1.80 emblem, ribbons in Olympic colors, flame. Offset in sheets of 12, metallic gold.

**Switzerland:** March 5, 2009. International Ice Hockey Federation World Championships. 1fr hockey, skate.

**Tokelau:** November 5, 2008. Edmund Hillary. 50¢, \$1, \$2, \$2.50, photographs of the mountaineer and explorer through the years. Souvenir sheet with \$5 stamps, Tenzing Norgay.

**United Arab Emirates:** August 4, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 1dh; 4.0dh; 4.75dh; 5.50dh, all stamps show symbolic athletes for martial arts, running, shooting, swimming, equestrian. A souvenir sheet contains the four stamps.