

MISSION:

To provide year–round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic–type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

HISTORY:

Founded in 1994

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2016 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 1,794 Coaches: 173 Competition opportunities: 25

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (15 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Idaho, USA
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China
- 2005 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games Dublin, Ireland
- 2002 Celebration of Special Olympics Greece 15 years in Athens
- 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games in North Carolina, USA (11 athletes)
- 1995 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Connecticut, USA

REGIONAL EVENTS:

- 1st MENA Regional Games in Cairo, Egypt, 1999
- 2nd MENA Regional Games in Rabat, Morocco, 2000
- 3rd MENA Regional Games in Beirut, Lebanon, 2002
- 4th MENA Regional Games in Tunis, Tunisia, 2004
- 5th MENA Regional Games in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 2006
- 6th MENA Regional games in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 2008
- 7th MENA Regional Games in Damascus, Syria, 2010

1 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics		Badminton		Basketball
Bocce	Bowling		Cycling		Floor Hockey
Football (Soccer)	Golf		Gymnastics, Rhythmic		Power Lifting
Roller Skating		Short Track Speed Skating		Table Tennis	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Young Athletes

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