

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 1991

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	23,349
Coaches:	652
Competitions:	145

GOAL:

To reach 30,000 athletes and participants by the end of 2015

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (40 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (22 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (62 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (22 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (64 athletes)

29 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton
Basketball	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Cycling
Equestrian	Floorball	Flying Disc	Football (Soccer)
Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)	Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	Handball
obuL	Kayaking	Petanque	Power Lifting
Roller Skating	Rugby	Sailing	Short Track Speed Skating
Snowshoeing	Softball	Table Tennis	Volleyball
Walking			

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Young Athletes

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

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