

**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 1978

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	7,466
Coaches:	1,132
Competitions:	113

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles (112 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (156 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (10 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (149 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (7 athletes)

25 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton
Basketball	Bocce	Bowling	Cricket
Cycling	Equestrian	Figure Skating	Floor Hockey
Floorball	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)
Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	Judo	Kayaking	Netball
Power Lifting	Sailing	Table Tennis	Tennis
Volleyball			

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Young Athletes

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

Mr. Murton Mann, Chairman

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