

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 1990

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes: 117,691 Coaches: 1,535 Competitions: 4,000

GOAL:

5 new regional Sub-Programs with at least 2 000 athletes in each by end 2015

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (145 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea (78 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece (233 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan (78 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China (190 athletes)

33 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Cycling
Equestrian	Figure Skating	Floor Hockey	Floorball
Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)	Gymnastics (Rhythmic)
Handball	Judo	Kayaking	Open Water Swimming
Power Lifting	Roller Skating	Sailing	Short Track Speed Skating
Snowboarding	Snowshoeing	Softball	Table Tennis
Tennis		Volleyball	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Family Support Network (FSN), Young Athletes

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