



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 2013 census):

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| Registered athletes and participants: | 1,547 |
| Coaches: | 91 |
| Competition opportunities: | 18 |

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

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

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

16 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

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|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Aquatics | Athletics | Badminton | Basketball |
| Bocce | Bowling | Cycling | Football (Soccer) |
| Gymnastics (Rhythmic) | Power Lifting | Roller Skating | Table Tennis |
| Floor Hockey | Short Track Speed Skating | Motor Activities Training Program (MATP) | |
| Young Athletes Program (YAP) | | | |

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership Programs (ALPs)

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