



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:

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 3,198
 Coaches: 295
 Competitions: 63

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2023 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Berlin, Germany
- 2019 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Graz and Schladming, Austria
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (11 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Idaho, USA
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China
- 2004 Special Olympics Invitational Games, Rhodes, Greece (16 athletes)
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Dublin, Ireland
- 2001 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Alaska, USA
- 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games, North Carolina, USA (5 athletes)
- 1995 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Connecticut, USA (5 athletes)
- 1991 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Minnesota, USA (4 athletes)


Regional Events:

- 9th MENA Regional games in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 2018
- 8th MENA Regional games in Cairo, Egypt, 2014
- Unified Triathlon Competition, Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt, 2016
- 7th MENA Regional Games in Damascus, Syria, 2010
- 6th MENA Regional games in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 2008
- 5th MENA Regional Games in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 2006
- 4th MENA Regional Games in Tunis, Tunisia, 2004
- 3rd MENA Regional Games in Beirut, Lebanon, 2002
- 2nd MENA Regional Games in Rabat, Morocco, 2000
- 1st MENA Regional Games in Cairo, Egypt, 1999

21 SPORTS:

Athletics	Badminton	Basketball	Bocce	Bowling
Cycling	Equestrian	Floor Hockey	Floorball	Football (Soccer)
Futsal	MATP	Open Water Swimming	Power Lifting	Sailing
Snowshoeing	Swimming	Table Tennis	Triathlon	Walking
Young Athletes				

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership,  Healthy Athletes, Healthy Community, Young Athletes Program

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