



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 1997.

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2016 census):

Registered Athletes:	5,598
Coaches:	655
Competitions:	72

GOAL:

To reach 6,000 athletes.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games North Carolina, USA
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games Ireland
- 2005 Special Olympics World Winter Games Japan
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games China
- 2009 Special Olympics Winter World Games Idaho, USA
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games Greece
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games Korea
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games Los Anglos USA
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games Austria
- 2018 Special Olympics Unified Cup Chicago, USA
- 2019 Special Olympics World Winter Games Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- 2023 Special Olympics World Summer Games Berlin, Germany

REGIONAL EVENTS:

- 2000 Special Olympics 2nd MENA Regional Games, Morocco
- 2002 Special Olympics 3rd MENA Regional Games, Lebanon
- 2004 Special Olympics 4th MENA Regional Games, Tunisia
- 2006 Special Olympics 5th MENA Regional Games, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 2008 Special Olympics 6th MENA Regional Games, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- 2010 Special Olympics 7th MENA Regional Games, Syria
- 2013 Special Olympics Regional Competition (Bowling – Tennis) Oman
- 2014 Special Olympics 8th MENA Regional Games Egypt
- 2014 Special Olympics Mena Region Unified Football Cup Cairo
- 2016 Special Olympics Unified Triathlon Competition Cairo
- 2018 Special Olympics 9th MENA Regional Games, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 2020 Special Olympics 1st Pan African Games Egypt

20 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Athletics	Aquatics	Badminton
Basketball	Bowling	Bocce	Cycling
Equestrian	Fitness	Floor Hockey	Floorball
Football (Soccer)	Gymnastics (Artistic)	Gymnastics, Rhythmic	Power Lifting

Snowshoeing	Swimming	Table Tennis	Tennis
Triathlon	Volleyball		

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

 **Healthy Athletes**, Family Program, Volunteer Program.

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