

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 early 1990's, reaccredited in 2017.

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2018 census):

Registered athletes and Unified Teammates: 92
Coaches: 37
Competitions: 2

SUPPORT:

Standard Chartered Bank, Bel Aqua, Photo Express

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Games in Abu Dhabi, UAE (1 athlete)
- 2008 Special Olympics World Games in Beijing, China

6 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Athletics	Basketball	Football	Handball
Swimming		Tennis	

OTHER PROGRAMS

Athlete Leadership, Family Health Forums, Family Support Network, Unified Sports, Young Athletes

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES: English and Wollof

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