



**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 the late 1970s

**PARTICIPANTS (per the 2023 census):**

Registered athletes:	26
Coaches:	5
Competitions:	2
Volunteers:	75

**SUPPORT:**

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2023 Special Olympics World Games, Berlin, Germany
- 2019 Special Olympics World Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2015 Special Olympics World Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games, Athens, Greece
- 2007 Special Olympics World Games, Shanghai, China
- 2003 Special Olympics World Games, Dublin, Ireland
- 1999 Special Olympics World Games, North Carolina, USA

**3 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Athletics	Bocce	Swimming
Soccer		

**OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Young Athletes Program, Special Olympics Unified Sports®, and Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR)

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