

**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 and Unified Partners:	292
Coaches:	18
Competitions:	6
Volunteers:	50

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 (17 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games, Athens, Greece

12 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Cricket	Cycling
Equestrian	Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)
Open Water Swimming	Tennis	Triathlon

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Young Athletes, Law Enforcement Torch Run, Unified Sports

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