

**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 1991

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners:	25,895
Coaches:	1,149
Competitions:	222

GOAL:

1. Development of regional structures and regional funding
2. Maintain and further develop great relationship and funding from Federal Government
3. Quality Education and Standards throughout SOD

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (115 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (70 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (151 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (71 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (167 athletes)
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28 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton
Basketball	Beach Volleyball	Bocce	Bowling
Cross Country Skiing	Cycling	Equestrian	Figure Skating
Floor Hockey	Floorball	Football (Soccer)	Golf
Handball	Judo	Kayaking	Open Water Swimming
Power Lifting	Roller Skating	Short Track Speed Skating	Snowboarding
Snowshoeing	Table Tennis	Tennis	Volleyball

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Family Support Network (FSN), Motor Activities Training Program (MATP)

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