

**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 1985

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners:	69
Coaches:	5
Competitions:	6

GOAL:

To update standards for coaches in swimming and gymnastics

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (25 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea (15 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece (27 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan (18 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China (25 athletes)

10 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton	Bocce
Bowling	Cycling	Floorball	Football (Soccer)
Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)		

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR)

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

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