



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 1995

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2013 census):

Registered athletes and participants:	10,958
Coaches:	562
Competition opportunities:	71

GOAL:

To reach 12,800 athletes and participants by the end of 2015

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- **Under the Patronage of HRH Princess Lalla Amina, Special Olympics Morocco hosted the 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress, Marrakech, Morocco**
- Participation in the 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games in North Carolina, USA
- Participation in the 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Dublin, Ireland

REGIONAL EVENTS:

- 1st MENA Regional Games in Cairo, Egypt, 1999
- 2nd MENA Regional Games in Rabat, Morocco, 2000
- 3rd MENA Regional Games in Beirut, Lebanon, 2002
- 4th MENA Regional Games in Tunis, Tunisia, 2004
- 5th MENA Regional Games in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 2006
- 6th MENA Regional Games in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 2008
- 7th MENA Regional Games in Damascus, Syria, 2010

19 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton	Bocce
Bowling	Cycling	Equestrian	Football (Soccer)
Gymnastics (Artistic)	Handball	Power Lifting	Softball
Table Tennis	Tennis	Volleyball	Floor Hockey
Snowshoeing	Young Athletes Program (YAP)		

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership Programs (ALPs)

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