



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 1998

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2013 census):

Registered athletes and participants:	7,411
Coaches:	349
Competition opportunities:	30

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 1 athlete participated in the 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games in North Carolina, USA
- Participated in the 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Dublin, Ireland
- Participated in the 2005 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan
- Participated in the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China
- Participated in the 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Idaho, USA

REGIONAL EVENTS:

- 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

10 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Athletics	Basketball	Bocce	Football (Soccer)	Handball
Table Tennis	Tennis	Volleyball	Floor Hockey	Snowshoeing

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership Programs (ALPs)

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