

**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 1992 and officially registered in 1998

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2016 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners:	1,310
Coaches:	315
Competitions:	69

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (4 athletes)
- 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress, Marrakech, Morocco
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (19 delegates)
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Dublin, Ireland (9 athletes)
- 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games, North Carolina, USA (18 athletes)
- 1995 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Connecticut, USA (6 athletes)

6 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Cycling	Football (Soccer)	Volleyball

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership and Young Athletes

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:

French and Fon

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