

**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 1987

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners:	5,257
Coaches:	753
Competitions:	104

GOAL:

To reach 4,000 athletes and participants by the end of 2016

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (15 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (28 athletes)
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Dublin, Ireland (50 athletes)
- 1997 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Toronto Canada (12 athletes)
- 1997 visit by Dr. Timothy P. Shriver, Chairman of the Board, Special Olympics, Inc.
- 1995 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Connecticut, USA (42 athletes)
- 1993 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Schladming, Austria
- 1991 Special Olympics Summer World Games, Minneapolis, USA (41 athletes)

7 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Bocce	Football
Golf	Netball	Volleyball	

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES: English, Shona and Ndebele

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