



YEMEN FACT SHEET

Special Olympics Yemen | Middle East/North Africa

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

PARTICIPATION (PER THE 2025 CENSUS):

Registered Athletes/Unified Partners:	240
Coaches:	37
Competitions in 2025:	4

SPORTS (PER THE 2025 CENSUS):

Athletics	Bocce	Snowshoeing
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OTHER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES:

- Healthy Athletes
- Special Olympics Unified Sports®

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Boise, USA
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China
- 2005 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Dublin, Ireland
- 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games, North Carolina, USA

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