



Dear Athlete, Parent, Guardian

Welcome to Special Olympics Georgia! We are excited to have you on board for the upcoming season. To ensure that we are fully prepared to support your health and safety, we require all athletes to complete an Athlete Registration Form. This packet contains essential information that helps us provide the best care during practices, games, and events.

Please be advised that all medicals submitted MUST be on the new registration form; we will not accept any medicals submitted on the old form after July 31st, 2025.

Please follow these steps to complete the medical packet:

1. **Fill out the Athlete Registration Form** ***ONLY IF YOU ARE A BRAND NEW ATHLETE OR YOUR PREVIOUS OLD MEDICAL ON FILE HAS EXPIRED**

The first step is to download the medical packet from the Special Olympics Georgia Website, request one from a program manager, or request one from your Local Coordinator.

2. **Fill Out Personal Information/Associated Conditions, and Assistive Devices and Accommodations (Page 1.)**

Read and complete the personal information section accurately, including your full name, date of birth, address, and emergency contact details. This ensures we can reach you or someone in your family if needed.

3. **General Health Questions/Medications and Treatment (Page 2.)**

In this section, please read and check all questions under “General Health Questions”, list any medications you are currently taking and treatments. This will help us better understand any health needs and ensure you receive appropriate care if an emergency arises. If you haven’t had a recent physical exam, Special Olympics Georgia encourages you to get one.

4. **Waivers, Releases, and Policies (Page 3.)**

In this section, please read the complete page as this includes all Special Olympics Georgia’s Waivers, Releases, and Policies. If you have a religious objection to receiving medical treatment, in an event of an emergency, or do not consent to a blood transfusion, please check the appropriate box under Section 3 “Emergency Care”. **IF EITHER BOX IS CHECKED UNDER SECTION 3, AN EMERGENCY CARE REFUSAL FORM MUST BE SIGNED BEFORE THE ATHLETE CAN COMPETE IN ANY SPECIAL OLYMPICS GEORGIA ACTIVITIES.**

5. Symptoms for Spinal Compression and AAI and Waiver and Release of Liability/Assumption of Risk/Indemnification (Page 4.)

In this section, please read both Symptoms for Spinal Cord Compression and Atlantoaxial Instability and Waiver and Release of Liability/Assumption of Risk/Indemnification completely. If you are an athlete filling the Athlete Registration Form, please sign and date under “Athlete Signature”. If you are parent/guardian, or other completing the Athlete Registration form for an Athlete, please sign, date, print name, and state your relationship to the athlete under “Parent/Guardian Signature”.

6. Submit Your Completed Packet

Once you have filled out the medical packet, please return it to your local coordinator or Special Olympics Georgia’s office via email or mail at:

1. Email: Sara.Gomez@specialolympicsga.org

2. Mail:

Special Olympics Georgia
3998 Inner Perimeter Road
Suite A
Valdosta, GA 31602

If you have any questions or need assistance with any part of the packet, please reach out to your Local Coordinator or don’t hesitate to contact Sara.Gomez@specialolympicsga.org. We want to make sure this process is as easy as possible for you.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We look forward to a healthy and successful season with you!

Sincerely,

Sara Gomez
Program Manager
Special Olympics Georgia
Sara.Gomez@specialolympicsga.org or (229)-506-9900

Athlete Registration Form

Required for all athletes participating in Special Olympics Georgia.

Local Special Olympics Program: _____

Athlete Information - To be completed by the athlete or parent/guardian/caregiver.

First name: _____ Last name: _____ Middle name: _____

Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy): ____/____/____ Gender: Female Male Other

Email: _____ Phone number: _____ Mobile Landline

Home address: _____

Optional - Check all that apply:

Race / Ethnicity	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian / Alaskan Native	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian American	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Black / African American	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic / Latino	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern / North African	<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander	
	<input type="checkbox"/> White / Caucasian	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer	
	Language(s) Spoken by Athlete		
<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> French	<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish	<input type="checkbox"/> American Sign Language (ASL)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list): _____			

Parent/Guardian Information - Required if minor or otherwise has a legal guardian.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Relationship to athlete: _____

Email: _____ Phone number: _____ Mobile Landline

Home address: _____

Emergency Contact Same as Parent/Guardian

First name: _____ Last name: _____ Phone number: _____ Mobile Landline

Relationship to athlete: Parent/guardian Caregiver Family member Healthcare provider Coach Other

Associated Conditions - Mandatory

Associated Conditions	<input type="checkbox"/> Autism	<input type="checkbox"/> Cerebral Palsy	<input type="checkbox"/> Down Syndrome	<input type="checkbox"/> Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
	<input type="checkbox"/> Marfan Syndrome	<input type="checkbox"/> Spina Bifida	<input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy	<input type="checkbox"/> Fragile X Syndrome
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		
Please specify other known intellectual disability diagnoses: _____				

Assistive Devices and Accommodations - Do you use any of the following? Check all that apply:

Mobility	<input type="checkbox"/> Walker	<input type="checkbox"/> Braces or crutches	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair	<input type="checkbox"/> Removable orthotics
	<input type="checkbox"/> Prosthetics	<input type="checkbox"/> None		
Lifestyle Aids	<input type="checkbox"/> CPAP	<input type="checkbox"/> Dentures	<input type="checkbox"/> Glasses, contact lenses, or protective eyewear	
	<input type="checkbox"/> None			
Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Aid	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication devices	<input type="checkbox"/> Sign Language	<input type="checkbox"/> None
	Medical Devices			
<input type="checkbox"/> Implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD)		<input type="checkbox"/> Implantable device for seizure management		
<input type="checkbox"/> VP Shunt		<input type="checkbox"/> Pacemaker	<input type="checkbox"/> None	
Do you have a specific dietary requirement?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	If yes, please specify: _____	
Do you use other assistive devices?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	If yes, please specify: _____	

General Health Questions

Do you have a heart condition?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have asthma?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have diabetes that requires you to take insulin?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have a vision impairment?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have a hearing impairment?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have a bleeding disorder?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Has a doctor ever limited your participation in sports?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have epilepsy or any type of seizure disorder?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Do you have sickle cell disease?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No

Have you ever had a concussion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	If yes, please specify how many in your lifetime: _____ Date of last one (mm/yyyy): _____
Do you have behavioral, mental health, and/or sensory conditions?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	If yes, please specify: _____
Do you have severe allergies that requires the use of an EpiPen?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	If yes, please specify if it is to any of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> Insectstings <input type="checkbox"/> Medication/drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Food <input type="checkbox"/> Latex <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____

Medication and Treatment - Please list:

Are you taking any prescription or over-the-counter medications or treatments? (Including birth control pills, insulin, multivitamins allergy shots or pills, EpiPen, asthma inhalers, epilepsy medication, anti-inflammatory medication, supplements of any kind. etc.)

Yes No

If yes, please list:

Medication, Vitamin, or Supplement Name	Dosage	Times per day

Medication, Vitamin, or Supplement Name	Dosage	Times per day

Name of person completing the form: _____

Today's date (dd/mm/yyyy): ____/____/____

Is this form being completed by someone other than the athlete? Yes No

If yes, please select the relationship to athlete:

Relationship to athlete: Parent/guardian Caregiver Family member Healthcare provider Coach Other

Special Olympics Georgia encourages all participants to get a yearly physical examination.

WAIVERS, RELEASES, AND POLICIES

Please read the following information and check boxes fully before signing.

I agree to the following:

1. **Ability to Participate.** I am physically able to take part in Special Olympics activities, and will abide by all applicable rules, requirements and codes of conduct.
2. **Likeness Release.** I give permission to Special Olympics, Inc., Special Olympics games organizing committees, Special Olympics accredited Programs (collectively “Special Olympics”), as well as official Special Olympics supporters and partners that have authorization from Special Olympics, to use my likeness, photo, video, name, voice, words, biographical information and similar or related material (my “likeness”) to promote Special Olympics and raise funds for Special Olympics. I understand that my likeness may be used in all forms of media in local or global campaigns – including those by supporters and partners of Special Olympics – but understand that my likeness will not be used to endorse commercial products or services. I understand that I will not be compensated for the use of my likeness.
3. **Emergency Care.** If I am unable, or my guardian is unavailable, to consent or make medical decisions in an emergency, I authorize Special Olympics to seek medical care on my behalf, unless I mark one of these boxes:
 - I have a religious or other objection to receiving medical treatment.
 - I do not consent to blood transfusions.

(If either box is marked, an EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE REFUSAL FORM must be completed.)
4. **Overnight Stay.** Special Olympics Georgia (SOGA) offers housing for Athletes/Unified Partners and Coaches entered in each State Games. SOGA allocates 2 persons of the same gender per room for a Double/Double or a King bed with a pullout, 1 person per room for a King, 3 persons per room for a Queen/Queen with a pullout. In dorm rooms, we allot one bed per person. Athletes/Unified Partners/Coaches and Volunteers may not share a room with other individuals of the opposite sex.
5. **Health Programs.** If I take part in a health program, I consent to health activities, screenings, and treatment. This should not replace regular health care. I have the right to decline Health programming treatment (which is different from sideline or emergency medical care) at any time.”
6. **Personal Information.** I understand that Special Olympics will be collecting my personal information as part of my participation, including my name, image, address, telephone number, health information, and other personally identifying and health related information I provide to Special Olympics (“personal information”).

I agree and consent to Special Olympics:

- using my personal information in order to: make sure I am eligible and can participate safely; run trainings and events; share competition results (including on the Web and in news media); provide health treatment if I participate in a health program; analyze data for the purposes of improving programming and identifying and responding to the needs of Special Olympics participants; perform computer operations, quality assurance, testing, and other related activities; and provide event-related services.
- using my contact information for communicating with me about Special Olympics.
- sharing my personal information confidentially with (i) researchers such as universities and public health agencies that are studying intellectual disabilities and the impact of Special Olympics activities, (ii) medical professionals in an emergency, and (iii) government authorities for the purpose of assisting me with any visas required for international travel to Special Olympics events and for any other purpose necessary to protect public safety, respond to government requests, and report information as required by law.
- I have the right to ask to see my personal information or to be informed about the personal information that is processed about me. I have the right to ask to correct and delete my personal information, and to restrict the processing of my personal information if it is inconsistent with this consent.

Privacy Policy. Personal information may be used and shared consistent with this form and as further explained in the Special Olympics privacy policy at www.SpecialOlympics.org/Privacy-Policy.

**SYMPTOMS FOR SPINAL CORD COMPRESSION and ATLANTOAXIAL INSTABILITY
(For athlete with Down syndrome only)**

If I (or the athlete) have been diagnosed with or experienced any of the following symptoms that have increased in severity over the past three years – difficulty controlling bowels or bladder; numbness or tingling in legs, arms, hands, or feet; weakness in arms, legs, hands or feet; burner/stinger/pinches nerve, pain in neck, back shoulders, arms, hands, buttocks, legs or feet; spasticity or paralysis – I must obtain a review and permission from a licensed medical practitioner to train and/or participate in Special Olympics activities.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY / ASSUMPTION OF RISK / INDEMNIFICATION

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in Special Olympics activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. While particular rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of illness (including communicable diseases), injury (including concussion), disability, and death does exist;
2. If I observe any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest Special Olympics representative immediately; and,
3. **I understand the risks involved with participation in Special Olympics activities. I fully accept and assume all risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I may incur as a result of my participation. To the fullest extent of the law, I release and agree not to sue any Special Olympics organization, its directors, agents, volunteers, and employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable owners and lessors of premises on which any Special Olympics activity is occurring (“Releasees”) related to any liabilities, claims, or losses on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the Releasees even if arising from the negligence of the Releasees. I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk provision, fully understand its terms, acknowledge that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. I further agree that if, despite this release, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify and hold harmless each of the Releasees from any such liabilities, claims, or losses as the result of such claim. I agree that if any part of this form is held to be invalid, the other parts shall continue in full force and effect.**

Athlete Name: _____

ATHLETE SIGNATURE
(required for adult athlete with capacity to sign legal documents)

I have read and understand this form. If I have questions, I will ask. By signing, I agree to this form.

Athlete Signature: _____ Date (dd/mm/yyyy): ____/____/____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
(required for athlete who is a minor or lacks capacity to sign legal documents)

I am a parent or guardian of the athlete. I have read and understand this form and have explained the contents to the athlete as appropriate. By signing, I agree to this form on my own behalf and on behalf of the athlete.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date (dd/mm/yyyy): ____/____/____

Printed Name: _____ Relationship: _____