



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Disability-Specific Sports Organizations

The following organizations offer disability-specific swimming competitions and/or educational resources. In some cases, the organizations also offer athlete development programs such as club/swimming practices, camps, and clinics. The international organizations conduct quadrennial multi-sports competitions analogous to the Olympic Games: (a) the International Paralympic Committee conducts Paralympic Games in the same years as Olympic Games; (b) CISS conducts the Deaflympics in the years following the Olympic Games; and (c) Special Olympics International conducts the World Special Olympics Games in the years preceding the Olympic Games.

International Sports Governing Bodies

- International Paralympic Committee: <https://www.paralympic.org/>
- Comité International des Sports des Sourds: <https://www.deaflympics.com/icsd>
- Special Olympics International: <https://www.specialolympics.org/>

USA Sports Governing Bodies

- U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC): <https://www.teamusa.org/>
 - o U.S. Paralympics Swimming: <https://www.teamusa.org/usparaswimming/about-para-swimming>
 - o Contact information: USPara.SwimInfo@usopc.org

USA Swimming: <https://www.usaswimming.org/>

- o USA Swimming DEI Committee & Disability Sub-Committee: <https://www.usaswimming.org/resource-center/diversity-equity-inclusion>
- o Contact information: support@usaswimming.org

Special Olympics (cognitive disabilities): <http://www.specialolympics.org/>

- o Contact information: Locate the Special Olympics program near you at <https://www.specialolympics.org/programs?locale=en> for direct contact information

USA-based Disability-Specific Sports Organizations

- Challenged Athletes Foundation: <https://www.challengedathletes.org/about-us/>
- Dwarf Athletic Association of America (short stature): <http://www.daaa.org/>
- Move United: <https://www.moveunitedsport.org/>
- USA Down Syndrome Swimming: <https://www.usadownsyndromeswimming.org/>
- U.S. Association of Blind Athletes (blind/vision impairments): <https://www.usaba.org/>
- USA Deaf Swimming (deaf/hearing impairments): <https://www.teamunify.com/team/usds/page/who-we-are/history>
- Wounded Warrior Project (U.S. Military Veterans): <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/programs/physical-wellness>

International Disability-Specific Sports Organizations

- Down Syndrome International Swimming Organization: <http://www.dsiso.org/>
- International Blind Sports Federation: <https://www.ibsasport.org/>
- International Committee of Sports for the Deaf: <https://www.deaflympics.com/icsd>
- International Sports Federation for People with an Intellectual Disability: <https://www.virtus.sport/>
- International Wheelchair and Amputee Sports Federation: <https://iwasf.com/>

Additional Aquatic-based Resources

- ❑ American Red Cross: <https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class>
- ❑ American Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA): <https://swimmingcoach.org/>
- ❑ Aquatic Exercise Association (AEA): <https://aeawave.org/>
- ❑ Aquatic Therapy and Rehab Institute (ATRI): www.atri.org
 - ATRI Toll Free 866-go2-ATRI (866-462-2874)
 - ATRI email: atri@atri.org
- ❑ Association of Aquatic Professionals (AOAP): <https://aquaticpros.org/>
- ❑ Ellis & Associates: www.jellis.com
- ❑ International Swimming Coaches Association: <https://swimisca.org/>
- ❑ Starfish Aquatics Institute (SAI): www.starfishaquatics.org
- ❑ Swim Angelfish: <https://swimangelfish.com/>
- ❑ USA Swimming Foundation: <https://www.usaswimming.org/foundation>
- ❑ United States Swim School Association (USSSA): <https://www.usswimschools.org/>
- ❑ Water Smart Babies LLC: Lana Whitehead Developmental Building Blocks
<https://www.swimkidsaz.com/shop/>
- ❑ YMCA of the USA: <https://www.ymca.org/what-we-do/healthy-living/water-safety>