

State Summer Games

Thursday, May 31st – Saturday, June 2nd, 2018

Special Olympics
New Hampshire



University of New Hampshire
145 Main Street
Durham, NH 03824

The Summer Games includes competition in athletics, bocce, equestrian, powerlifting, sprint triathlon, and swimming.

Please take a moment to review the Rules of the sport, the General Schedule and Sports Specific Schedule (that we continue to work on) to have a better understanding of the Games.

IF YOU NEED HELP OR HAVE QUESTIONS

About **registration**, which includes compliance, credential photos and the registration process through Agon including intent to participate, registration and scratch, please contact Kelsey Sullivan at KelseyS@sonh.org or by phone at 624-1250 x31

About the **event**, which includes preseason conference call, coaches conference call, final games information and day of questions, please contact Chelsea Gill at ChelseaG@sonh.org or by phone at (603) 790-0060.

EVENT INFORMATION

GENERAL SCHEDULE

Thursday

- 4:00 – 7:00PM Local Program Check-in
- 5:00PM LP Housing Available

Friday

- 7:00 – 10:00AM LP Check-in
- 7:00AM Competition begins
- 11:30AM Lunch
- 5:30PM Dinner
- 9:00PM Fireworks

Saturday

- 6:30AM Breakfast
- 7:00AM Competition begins
- NOON Lunch
- 3:00PM Dance + Snacks (this year's theme is New Year's)

GENERAL INFORMATION

- LPs will be assessed \$75 per participant (athletes, unified sports partners and LPVs) and \$32 per participant per night per bed for housing.
- Meals will be provided beginning with Friday breakfast and ending with Saturday dinner.
- Housing will be at the Gables, 3 rooms with 6 beds. You must bring your own linens.
- Training is an important part of athlete growth in both skill development and overall physical fitness. Special Olympics New Hampshire encourages teams to train twice a week for 10 weeks prior to the State Tournament, with one practice focusing on sport specific training and one practicing focusing on fitness (cross training etc.) to allow for optimal performance and readiness at the State Games.
- If the event is cancelled, it will not be rescheduled. Head coaches will be notified via phone or email by 6am on the day of the event.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

During the registration process, we will communicate with registered head coaches and Local Program Coordinators.

PRE-SEASON CALL

Wednesday, March 7th at 7pm

- To access the call please dial (712) 775-7031 and at the prompt please dial 363090#
- We will discuss
 - the season
 - events that will take place
 - rules

INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

Open until Thursday, April 19th

- Intent to participate is not required for athletes participating in athletics, bocce and swimming as results from area competition will automatically be flipped into state registration.
- By the end of Intent, all athletes, Unified Sports partners, head coaches, coaches and LPVs must be compliant.
- One head coach must be registered for each sport that your team will participate in.
- New athletes must be recorded in Agon.
- If you would like your registration from last year flipped into this year, please email Kelsey.
- No athletes, Unified Sports partners, head coaches, coaches or LPVs may be added to the Games after intent closes.

REGISTRATION

Friday, April 20th to Thursday, May 14th

- All athletes and Unified Sports partners must be registered for event specific information (event, level, qualifying score and team, if applicable)
 - Participants may compete in athletics OR bocce OR swimming.
 - Athletics
 - Final scores from area competition will be entered as athletes qualifying scores for State Games, but may be updated in Agon to appropriately reflect an athlete's ability level.
 - Bocce
 - Qualifying scores are not needed as ability is determined during the qualifying round.
 - Participants must register for up to four events: a qualifying round, singles competition, doubles competition (traditional or unified) and team competition (traditional or unified).
 - All athletes and Unified Sports partners must compete in the qualifying round.
 - Equestrian
 - Level must be entered for each athlete.
 - Please email the name of each athlete's horse to Kelsey
 - Powerlifting
 - Weight category must be entered for each athlete.
 - Swimming
 - Final scores from area competition will be entered as athletes qualifying scores for State Games, but may be updated in Agon to appropriately reflect an athlete's ability level.
- Number of meals and housing information must be entered
 - Accommodations are available Thursday and Friday nights at the Gables.
 - Each unit has six beds.
 - Local Programs will be assessed \$32 per bed per night.
 - Local Programs will be assessed at a rate of \$3 for each additional meal requested. Number of additional meals are calculated as outlined below:
 - $(\# \text{ of meals requested}) - (\# \text{ of athletes} + \# \text{ of LPVs}) * (\# \text{ of meals offered})$

SCRATCH

Friday, May 15th to Thursday, May 17th

During the Scratch phase of registration, users may update scores and remove athletes, LPVs, and/or their events in Agon.

- Local Programs will be assessed \$75 for each athlete and LPV registered for the Games at the end of the scratch period as well as \$3 for each additional meal requested.

COACHES' WEBINAR

Tuesday, May 29th at 7:00pm

- A registration link will be sent to all registered head coaches and LPVs at the end of the intent period.
- We will discuss:
 - Set-up of the Games (we will provide video snippets)
 - Updated schedule
 - Menu
 - Awards process
 - Credential process
 - Bad weather

FINAL INFORMATION

Wednesday, May 30th

Updated Schedule and any follow up information required after the coaches meeting will be distributed.

ATHLETE'S PARTICIPATION ON NON-PRIMARY LOCAL PROGRAMS

If an athlete would like to participate in a sport with a different Local Program:

1. The athlete must let his/her LPC know they would like to participate in another sport and which Local Program they are interested in joining.
 - a. If the Primary Local Program offers the sport, the LPC should work with the athlete to determine why the athlete would like to participate with another Program and decide if they will approve participation. Athletes should be empowered to choose where to participate.
 - b. Additionally, the athlete needs to make sure his/her LPC fills out the transfer form.
2. The athlete needs to ask the LPC of the team he/she would like to participate with
 - a. If the LPC of the "secondary team" does not have the infrastructure (enough volunteers to make a safe environment) they may say no to the athlete
 - b. If the secondary LPC says yes, he/she needs to fill in the existing transfer form including the amount of money that will need to be transferred and any expectations as a result of the athlete's participation.
3. The athlete needs to get the transfer form back to their primary LPC who then submits it to SONH for processing.
4. The secondary LP may register an athlete they think will be participating with them – but if the transfer form is not completed by the end of registration, the athlete will be scratched.