

Special Olympics Austria

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Invitation to the National Summer Games Special Olympics Switzerland – Zug 27.-31.05.2026

Dear National Director, Liebe Nicole

Dear Sports Director, Liebe Thomas und Sebastian,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the National Summer Games Games 2026, Special Olympics Switzerland is honored to invite your Program to participate in the next **National Summer Games of Special Olympics Switzerland**, that will take place in the city of Zug from the 27th to the 31st of May 2026.

The City is located in the central region of Switzerland.

Around 2100 athletes will participate in the Games. Among them we plan to welcome delegations from 14 other countries to one of the biggest sports events in 2026 in Switzerland.

The assigned quota for your Delegation is defined as follows:

- **8 ATHLETES / 3 COACHES / 1 HEAD OF DELEGATION**
Total Size of the delegation: 12 Persons
- We would be happy to have athletes participating in Golf (levels 1-2-4-5) and Sailing (Levels 1-2-3) as first priority, as we have a low number of athletes in this sports.
- If the mentioned offer is not suitable for you, we can offer other sports, as a second priority: Bocce, Bowling, Judo or Table Tennis.
- Other options are Athletics, Cycling or Swimming but in theses sports we might have enough participants from our program, so you will need to wait for a confirmation from us first, before you can start selecting the team.

We expect Delegations travelling to Switzerland on Wednesday 27th of May and leave either on May 31st (after 4PM) or on June 1st. All on-site costs for your delegation, except travel costs to Switzerland, will be covered by the Local Organizing Committee and by Special Olympics Switzerland starting from dinner on the 27th until lunch on the 1st of June 2026.

This includes meals, housing, onsite transportation and transfer from and to the airport in Zurich. Costs for additional meals, nights or other services must be paid by the delegation.

The Program of the National Summer Games 2026 will be the following:

Wednesday 27 th May	Arrival of Delegations and Check-In
Thursday 28 th May	Divisioning and Opening Ceremony
Friday 29 th – Saturday 30 st May	Competitions, Finals and Awards
Sunday 31 st May	Finals, Awards, Closing Ceremony, Departure Delegations
Monday 1 st May	Departure of Delegations

More Information about the games can be found at the Website of the National Summer Games 2026 ([National Games Zug 2026](#)) which is published in 4 Languages: German, French, Italian and English.

Enclosed you will find a pre-registration Form, which we kindly ask you to return to the following email address: sport@specialolympics.ch no later than the **31st of July 2025**.

If you're not planning to participate in the National Summer Games 2026, we kindly ask you to inform us as soon as possible, in order to allow us to offer the quota to another Program.

If you have questions regarding the assigned quota for your program, please don't hesitate to contact us.

With kind Regards



Aldo Doninelli

Sports Director Special Olympics Switzerland