

## Special Olympics PA - SUMMER 2025 Calendar

Task/Project	Date	Responsible	Notes
Summer Site Registration Form	March 1 - April 1	Head Coaches	Indicate where training sites will occur for the season
Summer Sign-up Form	April 15 - May 15	Athletes/Volunteers	Everyone (athletes and volunteers/coaches) interested in participating in the season <b>MUST</b> complete this sign-up form
Coach Certification Requests	by April 15	Coaches	Inform your RSD of sport coach certification needs
Summer Coach Training Schools	April 30 - May 31	HQ & RSD	List of Training Schools and Registration links are posted in the NEW Portal, you must REGISTER to attend a Training School.
Team Leader/Sport and Comp Coord. Pre-season webinar	April 29	HQ	Pre-season webinar to cover important things to know for the season, updates to sport rules and/or competitions. Will not occur live, recording will be shared in weekly Team Leadership email.
Summer Pre-season Coach webinars	week of April 28	HQ	Webinars to inform coaches in areas of emphasis and rule changes for the upcoming season, at least 1 coach per training site should plan to attend - recording will be posted to Sports Offered page of website.
Summer Regional Pre-season coach meetings	May 5 - May 16	Regions	Regional meeting to review region specific events/info
Summer Season Begins	June 1	Local Teams	To be eligible for State Games athlete <b>MUST</b> complete 8 weeks of training prior to that event, this can include dryland training.
Summer Season Eligibility deadline & Team Sport Age Exemption deadline	June 20	Regions	Athletes and coaches who have completed the Sign-Up Form must have all required paperwork completed by this time; those that do not will be scratched from rosters. All team sport age exemption requests must be submitted by this date. Coaches joining after this date must have all Class A requirements (valid background check and trainings) before attending a practice. Athletes looking to join after this date need to work with their respective Regional Team.
Golf & Softball Championship Registration Info Shared	June 27	HQ	HQ to send event information
Declare participants for Golf & Softball Championship competition and work with Program Leader on LOI	July 8	Head Coach	In columns L on the Tracker Athlete/Vol tab, mark with an "X" those Athletes and Unified Partners that desire to attend the event. Follow the normal process for your program to submit LOI requests.
Golf & Softball Championship LOI Due	July 10	Local Teams/Regions	LOI = Letter of Intent should be submitted by Program Leadership or Regional Staff.
Golf & Softball Championship Final Allocations	July 11	HQ	HQ will provide final number of slots for event
Golf & Softball Championship Roster Finalized by Coaches	July 14	Head Coach	Based on final allocations, coaches update athletes and volunteers attending the event and identify their role within column H on the Event Registration tab. Additional volunteers who plan to attend event but are not listed on Tracker need to be shared with RSD.
Golf & Softball Championship Rosters added to GMS	July 15	Regions	RSDs will pull list into GMS project
Housing Forms shared with Programs	July 17	HQ	HQ will provide housing list to Programs
Golf & Softball Championship Registration and Housing due	July 24	Local Teams/Regions	Event registration deadline: Complete Event Registration info for each athlete/UP attending on the Roster tab of Tracker (starts in column J)
Softball Championship Competition Eligibility deadline	August 13	Regions	All participants registered for this event who have not met eligibility criteria (clearances, trainings or medical) will be scratched from the event
Golf Championship Competition Eligibility deadline	August 15	Regions	All participants registered for this event who have not met eligibility criteria (clearances, trainings or medical) will be scratched from the event
Softball Championship Scratch/Activation deadline	August 14	Local Teams/Regions	Last chance to scratch/add or make updates to athlete scores
Golf Championship Scratch/Activation deadline	August 18	Local Teams/Regions	Last chance to scratch/add or make updates to athlete scores
<b>Softball Championship</b>	<b>Aug 22-24</b>	<b>HQ/Captial Area</b>	
<b>Golf Championship</b>	<b>Aug 25-27</b>	<b>HQ/Ridge &amp; Valley</b>	

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