



# Games Management System (GMS)

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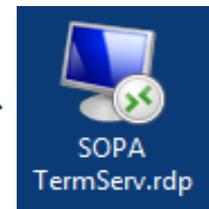


# What is GMS?

- Software is specifically designed for Special Olympics event management.

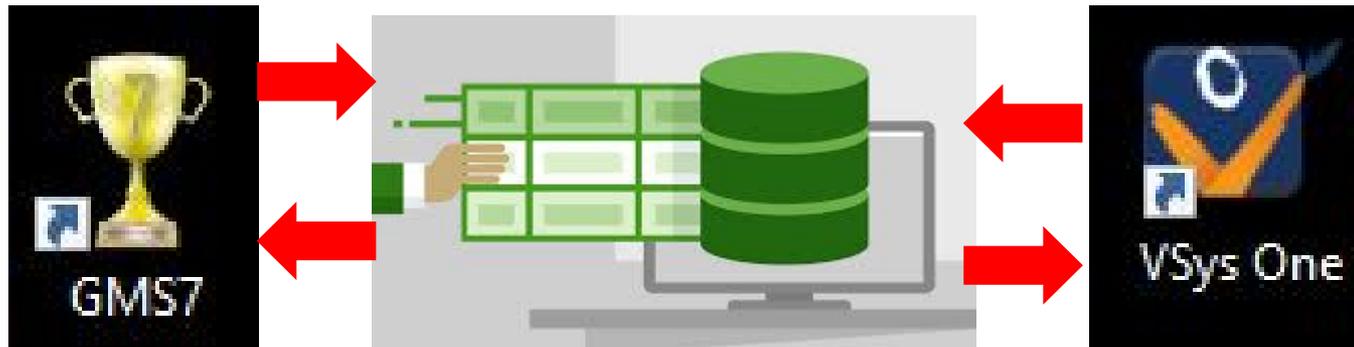
# Where does one find GMS?

- GMS is found on the SOPA Terminal Service, a shared desktop.





# GMS shares a database with VSys

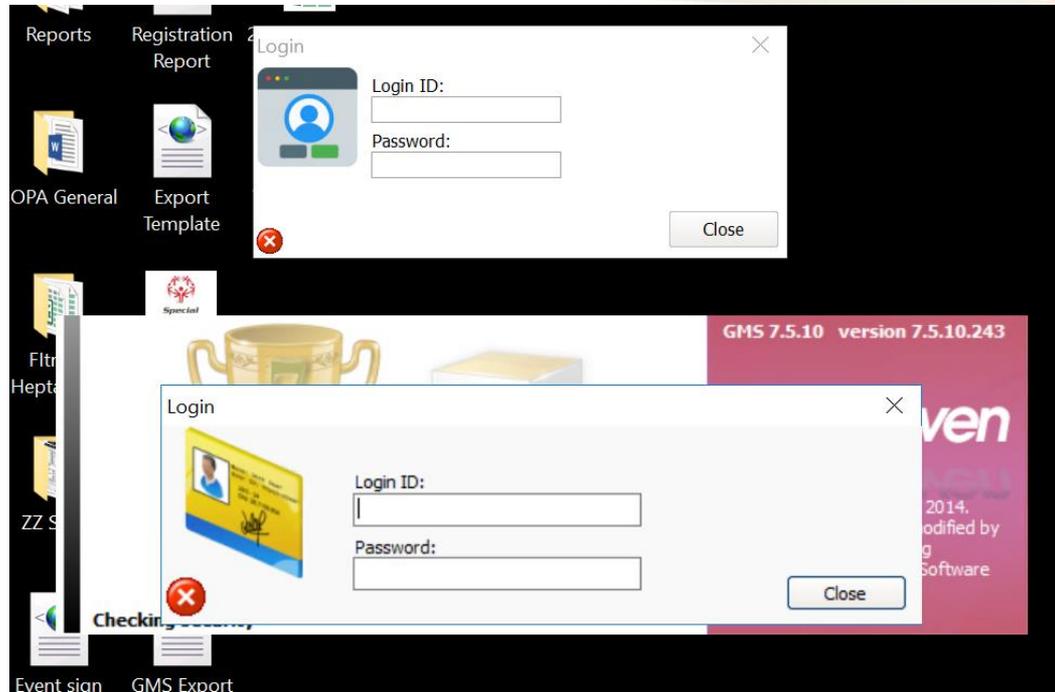


This is great, because anything that is inputted into VSys will populate the records in GMS and vice versa.

It can also be concerning, if a record is incorrectly updated in either system, it will affect the records in all software.

It is best to practice extreme caution when working in GMS as anything that is edited will ripple across all records.

# Logins



Your VSys (top) and GMS (bottom) login credentials are the same for each program. Once you set your username and password for one system, it will carryover to the other.

# GMS Landing Page



The screenshot shows the GMS 7.5.10 web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the URL [termserv.specialolympicspa.org](http://termserv.specialolympicspa.org). Below the navigation bar, a yellow banner indicates a new version is available: "New GMS version is available: 7.5.10.270. [Download](#)".

The main content area is titled "GMS 7" and shows the user is logged in as "mermer (superuser)". The interface includes a sidebar with "Special tools" such as "Reload security", "User preferences", "Start GoToAssist", and "Update indices".

The main content area displays a "Person lookup/data entry" section with a "Games" tab. The "Games" section shows 35 games (312 not shown) and includes a "Create new games" link. The "Games" dropdown menu is set to "All games" and the "Include non-GMS 7 games" checkbox is unchecked. The "Games groups" dropdown menu is set to "State Competitions".

Games	Start ...	Games group
2023 Indoor Winter Games	03/04/2023	State Competitions
2023 Winter Games	02/14/2023	State Competitions
2022 Villanova Fall Festival	11/04/2022	State Competitions
2022 Sports Camp	08/14/2022	State Competitions
2022 Fall Training Season	07/01/2022	State Competitions
<b>2022 Summer Games</b>	<b>06/02/2022</b>	<b>State Competitions</b>
2022 Indoor Winter Games	03/05/2022	State Competitions
2022 Winter Games	02/06/2022	State Competitions
2021 Villanova Fall Festival	11/05/2021	State Competitions
2021 Virtual Indoor Winter Games - Floor Hockey Skills	03/05/2021	State Competitions
2020 Virtual Villanova Fall Festival	11/06/2020	State Competitions
2020 Summer Games	06/11/2020	State Competitions
2020 Indoor Winter Games	03/06/2020	State Competitions
2020 Winter Games	02/09/2020	State Competitions
2019 Villanova Fall Festival	11/01/2019	State Competitions

Below the table, there are several grey bars with titles like "Applicant screening", "Reports", "GMS Transfer", "User tools", "Administrator tools", and "Setup".

Once you login, you will see a number of grey bars with titles like "Games" and "Reports". You will do the vast majority of your work inside the "Games" tab.

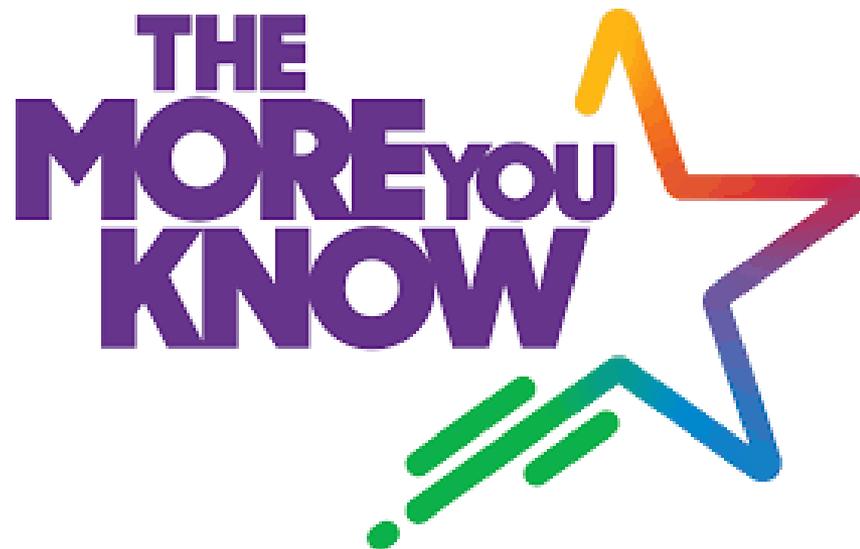
# Quality of Life - note



On the previous slide, you may have noticed the awards stands in the background of the Games Tab. While a nice wallpaper, it can be annoying when working in GMS for an extended time.

To fade out the background, go to the “User preferences” tool on the left hand side.

In User Preferences, set the “Background image fade” to 100, and the background images will disappear.





# Quality of Life - note

GMS 7  
New GMS version is available: 7.5.10.270. [Download](#)  
GMS 7  
You are logged in as member (superuser): [change nickname](#)  
GMS 7.5.10 (build #243)  
Person lookup(data entry)  
Games: 35 (312 not shown) [Create new games](#)  
About GMS 7  
Special tools  
Reload security  
User preferences  
Start GoToAssist  
Update indices  
Last run: 3 days ago

Games	Start	Games group
2023 Indoor Winter Games	03/04/2023	State Competitions
2023 Winter Games	02/14/2023	State Competitions
2022 Vilanova Fall Festival	11/04/2022	State Competitions
2022 Sports Camp	08/14/2022	State Competitions
2022 Fall Training Season	07/01/2022	State Competitions
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Special tools  
Reload security  
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**Special tools**

- [Reload security](#)
- [User preferences](#)
- [Start GoToAssist](#)
- [Update indices](#)

[Create new games](#)  
Include non-GMS 7 games

### User Preferences

Background image fade:  Small icon fade:  Color scheme: [Edit colors](#) [Use built-in colors](#)

Logo:

Option

- Prevent [Back] button from becoming [Close]
- Show a confirmation prompt when closing
- Disable color banding on lists
- Open and close panels instantly instead of gradually
- Don't show hint balloons
- Redisplay suppressed hints
- Forget all automatically saved report settings (manually saved settings are not affected)

Close



# The Games Tab

The Games Tab can be a little overwhelming, there are currently more than 300 games in GMS.

Thankfully, there is a filter device. A drop down menu “Games Groups” allows you to streamline your search.

Games: 35 (312 not shown) [Create new games](#)

Games:   Include non-GMS 7 games

Games groups:

Games	Start ...	Games group	Location	...
2023 Indoor Winter Games	03/04/2023	State Competitions		
2023 Winter Games	02/14/2023	State Competitions		
2022 Villanova Fall Festival	11/04/2022	State Competitions		
2022 Eastern Fall Sectional	10/02/2022	Sectionals		
2022 Western Fall Sectional	09/25/2022	Sectionals		
2022 Central Fall Sectional	09/25/2022	Sectionals		
2022 Sports Camp	08/14/2022	State Competitions		
TEST 6/29/22 - VOL/ATH Criteria	07/08/2022	Testing		
2022 Fall Training Season	07/01/2022	State Competitions		
2022 Team PA	06/04/2022	USA and World Games		
2022 Summer Games	06/02/2022	State Competitions		
2022 PIAA/SOPA Unified Track & Field State Championships	05/27/2022	IUS Competition		
IUS T & F Erie Championship @ GM	05/17/2022	IUS Competition		
IUS T&F Delaware County Regional Championship	05/17/2022	IUS Competition		
IUS T&F Upper Montgomery County Championship	05/16/2022	IUS Competition		



# The Games Tab

Person lookup/data entry

Games: 35 (312 not shown) [Create new games](#)

Games: All games  Include non-GMS 7 games

Games groups: State Competitions

Games

- (blank)
- Fitness Heptathlon
- IUS Competition
- Job Slots
- Local and Invitational Games
- Regional Events
- Sectionals
- State Competitions
- Testing
- USA and World Games

2022 Winter Games	02/06/2022	State Competitions
2021 Villanova Fall Festival	11/05/2021	State Competitions
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Depending on what level of games you are working on, you can choose from a number of options. Most likely you will be working in either “IUS Competition”, “Regional Events”, “Sectionals”, or “State Competitions”.

This will reduce the number of games you see on the tab, so you can find the games you are looking for.

# Games Landing Page



A screenshot of a web browser displaying the GMS 7 application. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'termserv.specialolympicspa.org'. A notification at the top indicates a new GMS version is available. The page title is 'GMS 7 &gt; 2022 Summer Games'. The user is logged in as 'mermer (superuser)'. The interface is divided into several sections: a left sidebar with navigation links for '2022 Summer Games' (People, Delegations, Events, Reports, User tools, Timing systems, Setup) and 'Special tools' (Reload security), and a main content area. The main content area has a 'People' tab selected, showing a 'Tool' list with options like 'Register people using the Registration Wizard', 'See all people in 2022 Summer Games', and 'Find people in 2022 Summer Games'. Below this is a list of tabs: 'Delegations: 56', 'Events', 'Reports', 'User tools', 'Timing systems', and 'Setup'. A 'Back' button is visible in the top right corner of the application area.

Similarly to the GMS Landing Page, the Games Page is formatted by tabs.

You will primarily work in the “Delegations” and “Events” tabs



# Delegation Tab

The screenshot shows the GMS 7 web application interface. The top navigation bar includes the text "GMS 7" and "termsserv.specialolympicspa.org". A notification banner at the top left states "New GMS version is available: 7.5.10.270. Download". The user is logged in as "mermer (superuser)". The main content area displays the "Delegations" tab, showing a list of 56 delegations. The table below lists the delegations and their corresponding entrant counts.

Delegation	Status	Group kind	Other	Count
Allegheny County		Delegation		55 entrants
Area P		Delegation		7 entrants
Armstrong/Indiana Counties		Delegation		29 entrants
Beaver County		Delegation		41 entrants
Bedford County		Delegation		(empty)
Blair County		Delegation		32 entrants
Bradford/Sullivan Counties		Delegation		22 entrants
Bucks County		Delegation		64 entrants
Butler County		Delegation		33 entrants
Cambria County		Delegation		20 entrants
Carbon County		Delegation		(empty)
Chester County		Delegation		33 entrants
Columbia/Montour Counties		Delegation		(empty)
Crawford County		Delegation		14 entrants
Delaware County		Delegation		79 entrants
DuBois/Jefferson County		Delegation		(empty)
Erie		Delegation		43 entrants

The “Delegations” tab will list the local programs that are competing in the selected games.

More about this tab in future GMS trainings!

# Events Tab



The “Events” tab lists all of the sports offered for the games.



The screenshot shows a software interface with a sidebar on the left. The sidebar has three main sections: 'People', 'Delegations: 56', and 'Events'. The 'Events' section is expanded, showing a list of sports. Each sport is preceded by a plus sign in a square box. To the right of the list is a 'Counts' tab, which is currently inactive. A lightbulb icon is visible in the bottom right corner of the sidebar area.

Event	Counts
⊕ Athletics/Track and Field	
⊕ Basketball	
⊕ Equestrian	
⊕ Golf	
⊕ Gymnastics (Artistic)	
⊕ Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	
⊕ Softball	
⊕ Swimming	
⊕ Tennis	



# Events Tab

Clicking on the “+” symbol next to a sport will expand the file to show the events offered within the sport.

Each event will provide a snapshot of the participation for the event.

More to come on the wonders of each event in future GMS trainings

Event	Counts
⊕ Athletics/Track and Field	
⊖ Basketball	
Basketball Team	23 teams plus 2 scratched, 174 entrants plus 41 scratched
BB Basketball 3 on 3	24 teams plus 5 scratched, 111 entrants plus 30 scratched
BB Basketball 3 on 3 Unified Development	(2 scratched)
BB Basketball Individual Skills	26 entrants plus 22 scratched
⊕ Equestrian	
⊕ Golf	
⊕ Gymnastics (Artistic)	
⊕ Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	
⊕ Softball	
⊕ Swimming	
⊕ Tennis	