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# Coaches Update

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## EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

If you did not update your contact information for the Emergency Notification System at the Coaches Conference, please do so by April 1st by contacting Louise Miller at [louise@specialolympicsri.org](mailto:louise@specialolympicsri.org). We implemented the emergency notification system for notifying " Head Coaches" of any emergency situation using cell phones which we plan on using again this year. In order to have the most current information we are updating our data base of head coaches and asst. head coaches' phone numbers. Please note that message and data rates apply.

Just as a note we will post general information only on social media sites (Facebook & Twitter).

A crisis team has been identified and will receive communications related to any crisis and will meet to address actions for any type of crisis and will determine next steps and related necessary communications to coaches.

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Special Olympics RI will offer CPR Training on **Thursday, May 11th** from 6:00pm - 8:00pm at the SORI Office in Smithfield. Training is offered at no cost to all head coaches, assistant coaches and interested volunteers. **To register, please email Casie Rhodes at [casie@specialolympicsri.org](mailto:casie@specialolympicsri.org) by Friday, May 5th!**

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# **SPRING 2017 DATES TO REMEMBER**

## **APRIL DATES AND DEADLINES**

April 1st - Unified Ten-Pin Bowling Tournament  
AMF Lanes, Cranston

**April 3rd** - Individual Ten-Pin Bowling Rosters, Averages & Lane Assignments Due  
for Southern Area Qualifiers. Submit to Joe Patrick at  
tiger@tigerpatrick.com

**April 7th** - Newport County YMCA Aquatics Time Trials Registration Forms Due  
Submit to casie@specialolympicsri.org or fax (401) 349-4936

**April 7th** - East Bay Area Games Registration Forms Due

**April 7th** - Southern Area Games Registration Forms Due

April 8th & 9th - Southern Area Individual Ten-pin Bowling Qualifier

**April 13th** - Unified Soccer Registration Forms Due

**April 13th** - MATP Registration Forms Due  
Submit to casie@specialolympicsri.org or fax (401) 349-4936

**April 14th** - Northern Area Games Registration Forms Due

**April 17th** - Individual Ten-Pin Bowling Rosters, Averages & Lane Assignments Due for  
Northern Area Qualifiers. Submit to Joe Patrick at tiger@tigerpatrick.com

April 20th - Newport County YMCA Aquatics Time Trials

April 22nd - Northern Area Individual Ten-pin Bowling Qualifier  
AMF Lanes, Cranston

April 23rd - East Bay Area Games  
Gaudet Middle School, Middletown

April 26th - Unified Soccer starts at Johnson & Wales University

**April 28th** - State Games Registration Forms Due

April 28th - MATP at Rhode Island College

April 29th - Southern Area Games  
Bishop Hendricken High School, Warwick

## **MAY DATES AND DEADLINES**

**May 5th** - URI Tent Application Due  
Submit to robin@specialolympicsri.org or fax (401) 349-4936  
[Click here for tent application](#)

**May 5th** - Special Diet Request Forms Due  
Submit to robin@specialolympicsri.org or fax (401) 349-4936  
[Click here for special diet request form](#)

May 6th - Northern Area Games  
Bryant University, Smithfield

May 6th - Unified Volleyball Tournament  
Bryant University, Smtihfield

May 7th - Unified Champions Schools - High School Basketball Tournament  
Bishop Hendricken High School

May 11th - CPR Training  
SORI Office, Smithfield

**May 12th** - All Housing Forms Due  
Submit to [casie@specialolympicsri.org](mailto:casie@specialolympicsri.org) or fax (401) 349-4936

**May 12th** - State Games Volunteer Roster Due (NEW FORM in 2015)  
(this volunteer roster is used to print Class A names badges)  
Submit to [louise@specialolympicsri.org](mailto:louise@specialolympicsri.org) or fax (401) 349-4936

### **JUNE DATES**

**June 2, 3 & 4** State Summer Games, University of Rhode Island

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### **Forms**

Spring Sports Forms and State Summer Games Forms can be found on the Special Olympics Rhode Island website at [www.specialolympicsri.org](http://www.specialolympicsri.org) and clicking on "Forms" listed under the Coaches Tab on the homepage. The following forms can now be completed and submitted online.

Sports Forms:

- Area Games Registration Form
- Area Games Track & Field Relay Form
- State Summer Games Registration Form
- State Summer Games Relay Form - Swimming
- State Summer Games Relay Form - Track & Field
- Swimming Qualifier Registration Form
- Ten-pin Bowling Qualifier Registration Form
- Unified Sports Team Roster Registration Form

Paper registration forms will still be accepted as well as a coach's custom Excel spreadsheet registration form for their team. Please contact Louise if you have questions about registration for Area Games or the State Summer Games at [louise@specialolympicsri.org](mailto:louise@specialolympicsri.org).

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### **Appropriate Attire for Competition**

Athletes who are inappropriately attired will not be permitted to compete. To avoid disqualification, remember a few helpful hints when preparing for competition!

- If it's questionable, don't wear it - ask first
- Be prepared with back-up garments
- If you won't have sufficient time to change into your competition gear when you arrive, wear it on the bus or in the car.

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**Quick Links...**

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[Our Website](#)

[Competition Calendar](#)

**Contact Information**

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For more information regarding the Spring Sports Season, Area Games or State Summer Games, please contact Chris Hopkins at [chris@specialolympicsri.org](mailto:chris@specialolympicsri.org) at or via phone at 401-349-4900.

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