

Bouldering Wall Safety Policies

In order to provide a safe, fun and encouraging climbing atmosphere the following policies have been adopted.

- Patrons must inform the supervisor, parent volunteer or qualified spotter of any situation seen as unsafe or not in accordance with the safety policies.
- Patrons must recognize the importance of following the supervisor or spotter's directions regarding technique, training, safety, and other rules; and agree to obey such directions.
- Patrons must agree that when assigned to a group during instruction, they must stay with that group.
- If any patron's behavior is distracting to others or is unsafe in any manner, they may be restricted from continued participation in climbing activities.
 - Patrons must report any injury, no matter how minor, immediately to the supervisor, spotter or adult volunteer.
- Patrons must respect views and different skill levels of other patrons. The use of "put-downs" towards others or themselves will result in immediate restriction from climbing activities.
- Patrons must accept the high expectations and responsibility for safety related to climbing.
- Patrons must recognize or be willing to learn the importance of positive attitude and agree to give their best efforts on each day's activities.
 - This wall will not be used without the supervision of a qualified spotter.
- No one is to climb above the designated height restrictions; i.e. children under 5 must have their feet at or below the 2' mark. (Please listen to a qualified person when they say don't go any higher!)
- Only those persons who have passed a competency evaluation given by a "Bouldering Wall Supervisor" may spot a climber (s.) An orientation session will be completed before anyone will be allowed to climb or spot.
- Although "spotters" and "climbers" work as a team, the spotter has final say!
 - To avoid possible injuries and interference while climbing, patrons must inappropriate jewelry and hats that may get in the way.
- Unless otherwise authorized, only clean runners or climbing shoes may be worn while climbing. (No open toes or heels)
- Supervisors or spotters have the authority to disallow the use of any equipment deemed questionable.
- Patrons must be alert to climbing hazards such as distance between climbers, objects on the ground and overuse injuries. Although the wall undergoes routine maintenance checks, patrons have the responsibility to point out possible safety concerns to a supervisor, spotter or adult volunteer.