

Experienced Climber Proficiency Certification

Purpose: This testing and certification process is required of all Scouters that intend on becoming climbing instructors for the Twin Valley Council portable climbing wall. This document will be used to certify that the Scouter listed below is able to demonstrate proficiency in these tasks. In addition, All certified climbing instructors in the Twin Valley Council are required to have completed BSA's Youth Protection Training, Climb on Safely training, and have a minimum of American Red Cross Standard First Aid training and be CPR certified.

Scouter Name:	
Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Home phone number:	
Climb on Safely training date: (from card)	
Description of prior climbing experience:	

Task	Requirements	Checked by	Date
Rope inspection	Demonstrate proper rope inspection techniques. Explain why it's important to inspect both the kern and the mantel and know the difference. Explain what to do if a defect is found in the rope.		
Webbing inspection	Demonstrate proper webbing inspection techniques. Explain what to do if a defect is found in the webbing.		
Harness inspection	Demonstrate proper harness inspection techniques. Explain the critical components of the harness. Explain what to do if a defect is found in the harness.		
Helmet inspection	Demonstrate proper helmet inspection techniques. Explain the critical components of the helmet. Explain what to do if a defect is found in the helmet.		
Hardware inspection	Demonstrate how to inspect each of the different pieces of hardware used on the portable climbing wall. Explain what to do if a defect is found in any piece of hardware.		
Putting on harness	Demonstrate how to properly put on and size each of the different styles of harnesses.		
Putting on helmet	Demonstrate how to properly put on and size the helmet.		
Tying into harness	Demonstrate the figure-8 follow-through knot on each of the different style of harnesses. Explain the tie-in points for each style of harness. Demonstrate the water-knot backup knot.		
Connecting belay device	Demonstrate tying into the ATC-XP belay plate. Demonstrate proper lock off and lower techniques for this device. Demonstrate tying into the Gri-Gri. Demonstrate proper lock off and lower techniques for this device.		
Belay technique	With a simulated climber on belay (not on the wall), demonstrate proper belaying technique. Explain the most common way of leaving a climber unprotected (letting go of the rope with the belay hand.) Demonstrate the proper method to never leave a climber unprotected.		

Certified by: _____ Date Certified: _____

Certified as: LEAD Instructor Instructor Instructor in Training