

Risk Assessment – indoor wall climbing

Hazard	Who might be harmed?	Control Measures
Muscle injury while climbing Climbing wall head injury	All involved	Full warm up exercises carried out under instruction of climbing instructors Adequate safety instruction before scouts allowed to use the climbing wall All persons using the wall to wear all protective equipment provided
Climbing wall injury due to fall	All involved	Ensure safety lines used at all times Ensure equipment is checked thoroughly before each session Adequate safety instruction before scouts allowed to climb wall
Injury due to objects falling from above	All involved	All persons in the climbing hall even if only observing must wear head protection and any other protective equipment deemed necessary by the instructors onsite during the event
Safety precautions	All involved	Before commencement of the session, pupils must be reminded of the safety precautions to be followed.
Jewellery	All involved	Jewellery and rings must be removed, long hair tied back to avoid entrapment in belay and abseil devices.
Abseiling	All involved	A releasable abseil rope system must be used with abseiling sessions, together with a secondary safety system for the participant.
Waiting to have a go	All involved	Non-participants must not wait directly under the crag nor be in the 'arrival' area for abseilers.
Qualifications	All involved	Qualified instructors, SPA trained or ML holder
Belaying	All involved	Careful supervision of belaying should take place with novices.
Footwear	All involved	Appropriate footwear to be worn

Date of Assessment

Signature

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