

Climbing Form Wolf Mountain Unsupervised Climbing



BMC Participation Statement:

The British Mountaineering Council recognises that climbing and mountaineering are "activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Participants in these activities should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions and involvement."

Personal Details (Please complete the form in BLOCK CAPITALS)

Title	First Name	Surname	
Address			
		Post Co	de
Date of Birth		Telephone Number	
Email Address			

Conditions of Registration

If you are under 18 years of age **DO NOT** fill in this form! Please ask at Reception for the correct form. Once you have read the **Conditions of Use and Rules** of the climbing centre, you must answer the following questions by writing either "**YES**" or "**NO**" in the box provided then sign the declaration at the bottom of the form. Only climbers who give satisfactory answers to the questions will be registered and allowed to climb unsupervised. Are you over 18 years of age?

Have you read and understood the Conditions of Use and Rules of the Centre? (See reverse)

*Can you put on a climbing harness correctly?

*Can you attach a rope to your harness using a figure of eight knot?

*Can you use a belay device to secure a falling a climber and lower a climber from the wall?

Do you require instruction in any of the above three techniques (marked*)?

Do you understand that the matting under the bouldering walls cannot remove the risk of injury?

Do you understand that failure to exercise due care could result in your injury or death?

Do you have any questions regarding the application of the Conditions of Use or the Rules?

Do you agree to abide by the Rules of the Climbing Centre?

Declaration of fitness

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, I do not suffer from any medical condition which might affect my ability to boulder and which could put me or others in a situation whereby serious injury or death may occur.

Declaration of fact

I also confirm that the above information is correct and if any information changes I will notify the Centre.

Signature

THIS PART TO BE COMPLETED BY CENTRE STAFF

Registration Number

Print Name

Signed

Date

CLIMBING CONDITIONS OF USE OF WOLF MOUNTAIN

Risks - "The British Mountaineering Council recognises that climbing and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Participants in these activities should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions and involvement."

Although the climbing centre is an artificial environment the risks involved are **no less serious than when climbing outside** on a crag or mountain. There is an additional risk that bolt-on holds can spin or break.

The soft flooring under the bouldering walls is designed to provide a more comfortable landing for climbers falling or jumping from the bouldering wall. THE SOFT FLOORING DOES NOT MAKE THE CLIMBING ANY SAFER. Broken and sprained limbs are common on this type of climbing wall despite the soft landing. Uncontrolled falls are likely to result in injuries to yourself or others.

Climbing **beyond your capabilities** on any wall is likely to result in a **fall**. Any fall may result in an **injury** despite the safety systems in place to avoid it. You must make your **own assessment of the risks** whenever you climb.

Our Duty of Care - The rules of the climbing centre set out below **are not** intended to limit your enjoyment of the facilities. They **are** part of the **duty of care** that we, as operators, owe to you, the customer, by law. As such they are **not negotiable** and if you are not prepared to abide by them then the staff must politely ask you to leave.

Your Duty of Care - You also have a duty of care to act responsibly towards the other users of the centre. Statements of 'Good Practice' are posted around the centre adjacent to the relevant facilities. These describe the accepted methods of use and how customers would normally be expected to behave towards each other.

Unsupervised Climbing - Before you climb without supervision the centre expects you to be competent in the use of a safety harness, a figure of eight knot to attach a rope to the harness and a belay device to secure a falling climber or lower a climber from the wall using a rope. You are required to register to say that you know how to use the equipment, that you are prepared to abide by the Rules below and that you understand the risks involved in your participation.

Anyone who has not registered is classed as a **novice** and **must not** climb without supervision.

Unsupervised climbing is just that! Staff will provide whatever help and advice they can, but instruction in the use of equipment or climbing techniques will only be provided where it has been booked and paid for in advance. If you are not **confident** in the use of any climbing equipment or technique then **do not** attempt to use it without the supervision of someone who is competent to do so.

Supervised Climbing - An adult who has registered at the centre may supervise up to two novice climbers as long as they are prepared to take full responsibility for the safety of those people

Children – All children in the centre must be supervised by an adult unless they have been assessed by the management and registered for unsupervised climbing. In addition to the obvious risks of climbing, children on the ground are at particular risk of being seriously injured by falling adult climbers. Supervising adults are responsible for making sure that children are **never** directly below climbers.

RULES

General Safety

• Report to reception on each visit before you climb.

•You must exercise care, common sense and self preservation at all times.

• Report any problems with the walls, equipment or other climbers' behaviour to a member of staff immediately.

•Be aware of the other climbers around you and how your actions will affect them.

• Do not distract people while they are climbing or belaying.

• Stand well back from the climbing walls unless you are belaying or spotting a climber. Never stand directly under someone who is climbing.

Top Roping

• Many of the climbs in the centre have top ropes already in place. Do not take them down to use on other routes.

Leading

•When using the lead walls you must supply your own appropriately rated dynamic rope. Do not use the centre's top ropes for lead climbing.

• You must clip **all** the runners on the route you are climbing **When Belaying**

•Always use a belay device attached to your safety harness with a locking karabiner. 'Traditional' or 'body' belaying is not acceptable.

•The attachment points on the floor are provided to give support to people belaying a climber who is much heavier than they are. Direct belays from the attachment points on the floor are not acceptable.

• Always pay attention to what the climber is doing.

• Always stand as close to the climbing wall as is practical unless you are using one of the attachment points on the floor. Sitting or lying down are not acceptable.

When Climbing

•The tall walls are designed to be climbed using a rope for protection. Solo climbing is not acceptable on these walls. Always use a rope to protect yourself on these climbs.

• Always use a safety harness to attach yourself to the rope.

•Always tie the rope directly into the harness using a suitable climbing knot. Clipping in with a karabiner is not acceptable.

Bouldering

•Always climb within your capabilities and descend by down climbing, jumping or, at the very least, a controlled fall.

• Never climb directly above or below another climber.

DISCLAIMER NOTICE

Indoor Climbing is a physical and demanding sport, which obviously has inherent hazards associated with it. Whilst Wolf Mountain Limited takes all necessary precautions to try and ensure the safety of all participants, unfortunately accidents will occur in consequence. Each participant should familiarise themselves with the hazards and try and minimise these as much as possible by complying with Wolf Mountain Limited's risk management guidelines. The management accepts no responsibility whatsoever for any loss or injury resulting from any person' involvement in Indoor Climbing. Furthermore, it is understood and agreed that individuals participate at their own risk.