

# Rock Climbing/Rappelling/Belaying Climbing Waiver of Liability

- **Disclaimer:**

There are significant elements of risk and hazards to participants in the sport of rock climbing, rappelling and belaying. Each participant is responsible for making choices involving certain risks while climbing. Wayne State University Mort Harris Recreation and Fitness Center climbing wall staff is not certified by any school or body governing the practice or instruction of climbing and cannot make decisions concerning a participant's choices. The Wayne State University Mort Harris Recreation and Fitness Center climbing wall staff will provide as safe an environment as possible but cannot eliminate all of the elements of risk and danger given the nature of the activity.

- **Risks:**

The risks involved in climbing, rappelling and belaying are not limited to but include the following:

- Injury from falling from high elevations and impacting against rock surface or landing surface;
- Cuts, bruises, abrasions, muscle and tendon strain, rope burns, paralysis and death;
- Injury from falling equipment or debris;
- Getting dirt or other materials in the eyes;
- Injury from choosing not to wear a personal harness or helmet;
- Failure to follow the safety policies and procedures;
- The presence, actions or falls of other participants;
- Misuse of equipment or facilities, failure of ropes, harness, climbing hardware, anchor points or any part of the climbing wall;
- Injury caused by belayer negligence;
- Fatigue, chill and/or dizziness which may diminish reaction time and increase the risk of accidents;
- Slips, trips, or painful crashes while using the facilities or equipment, climbing wall, bordering area and landing area; and
- Failure of handholds

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Access ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact & Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

One-day climbing pass \$5  
(with or without equipment rental)

Year pass w/out equipment rental \$30

Non-member daily pass \$5  
(plus \$10 facility guest pass)

Nonmember year pass w/equipment \$80  
rental

Year pass w/equipment rental \$40

Nonmember year pass w/out  
Equipment rental \$60

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# Assumption of Risk and Release

I hereby certify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in rock wall climbing, rappelling and belaying and that given the nature of the activity not all risks can be eliminated given the nature of the activity. Further, I expressly agree and assume all of the related risks. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary. I understand the importance of choosing my climbing partner carefully and that I am responsible for verifying their wall certification and skill level.

I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, agree to indemnify and hold harmless and covenant not to sue Wayne State University, its employees, agents and the Wayne State University Mort Harris Recreation and Fitness Center staff ("Releasees") for any and all claims, demands, causes of action, damage, personal injury, costs and expenses which are in any way connected with my use of the Wayne State University Mort Harris Recreation Fitness Center equipment or facilities whether caused by the negligence, omissions or carelessness of the Releasees. This release shall be binding on my family, heirs, estate, administrators, personal representatives and assigns.

I give Wayne State University, its employees and agents the irrevocable right to use my (or my child's) picture, portrait or photograph in all forms and media and in all manners, including composite, for advertising, for publication or any other lawful purposes, and I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product, including written copy which may be created in connection therewith.

My signature below indicates that I have been made aware of the risks involved and/or given a copy of the Disclaimer and Risks that I have read and understand this Assumption of Risk and Release.

Participant Signature

Date

Participant Printed Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Witness

Date

## Helmet Release

I understand that helmets are provided free of charge and that by choosing not to wear a helmet, I am exposing myself to an increased risk of injury. I voluntarily choose not to wear a helmet and accept personal responsibility for any and all injuries that may occur as a result of my decision not to wear a helmet.

Participant Signature

Date

Participant Printed Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Witness

Date

## Personal Harness Release

I understand that the Wayne State University Mort Harris Recreation and Fitness Center provides an inspected and monitored harness free of charge. I voluntarily choose not to wear the recommended harness and accept responsibility for any and all injuries that may occur as a result of not wearing the harness provided by the Wayne State University Mort Harris Recreation and Fitness Center.

Participant Signature

Date

Participant Printed Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Witness

Date

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