

**CALVIN COLLEGE CLIMBING CENTER  
REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION FORM  
FOR MINORS**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male ( ) Female ( )

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name and Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**CLIMBING CENTER RULES**

1. Climbing facility is open only during program hours and when a staff person is present.
2. All climbers must check in with staff person and be registered before climbing.
3. All climbers must gain instruction, demonstrate to staff sound "palm down" belay technique, dressed figure 8 follow through knots, proper equipment use, and be checked off by a staff person before climbing.
4. Before each climb, each climber must be checked for 1) figure 8 tie-in knot; 2) double backed harnesses; and, (3) proper loading of belay device/carabiner by their climbing partner.
5. Belayers will take out "rope stretch" to prevent "ground fall".
6. Climbers can climb "un-roped" (boulder) no higher than five feet; spotter and crash pads are recommended anytime feet go above three feet.
7. Maximum number of climbers/boulders at any given time: 24
8. No Ipods or personal MP3 players; all music must comply with College policy and is subject to approval of the staff.
9. All climbers and belayers will exercise behavior that maintains a positive and safe climbing environment.
10. Only climbers who have participated and passed a Calvin Sport Leading course can lead climb at Calvin College. Please see a staff person to sign up for instruction.
11. No food or drinks in the gym; water bottles are allowed.
13. You must pass a safety check before top roping, lead belaying, or lead climbing in this facility.
14. Only staff is allowed to teach belay skills. All safety instruction must be given by Climbing Center staff.
15. You must use a commercially manufactured harness which is subject to approval of staff.
16. No skipping bolts when leading.
17. The College reserves the right to remove any person from the facility at any time for any reason.

I have read, understand and agree to follow these rules.

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR EMPLOYEE USE ONLY**

*Brief description of the climber's experience:*

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**Failed Tests:**

Date _____	Employee _____	Test/Reason _____
Date _____	Employee _____	Test/Reason _____

**CHECKLIST FOR TOPROPE BELAY**

Tested By _____	Date _____
Release of Liability Signed _____	Display Proper Tie-In with Figure 8 _____
Review of Climbing Gym Rules _____	Display Proper Belay Technique _____
Double Back Harness and Good Fit _____	and Use Proper Belay Commands _____
	Catch a Fall _____

**CHECKLIST FOR LEAD CLIMBING**

Tested By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

- Stable Clipping Stance and Efficient Clips \_\_\_\_\_
- Rope Awareness \_\_\_\_\_
- Take a Fall \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECKLIST FOR LEAD BELAY**

Tested By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Proper Stance/Flake _____ | Proper Amount of Slack _____ |
| Rope _____                | Brake Technique _____        |
| Rope Management _____     | Catch a Fall _____           |

**Release/Indemnification and Covenant Not To Sue**

In consideration of my use of the Climbing Wall at any time hereafter, I, the undersigned user, release on behalf of myself, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators and assigns, and covenant not to sue Climbing Wall Staff, Calvin College, its trustees, agents, and employees (hereinafter referred to as the College) from any cause of action, claims or demands of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to a claim of negligence, which I, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators or assigns may now have, or have in the future against the College on account of personal injury, property damage, death or accident of any kind, arising out of or in any way related to my use of the Climbing Wall, whether that use is SUPERVISED OR UNSUPERVISED, howsoever the injury or damage is caused, including but not limited to, the negligence of the College.

In consideration of my use of the Climbing Wall now or in the future, I, the undersigned user, agree to INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the College, its trustees, agents, and employees from any and call causes of action, claims, demands, losses or costs of any nature whatsoever arising out of or in any way relating to my use of the Climbing Wall.

I hereby certify that I have full knowledge of the nature and extent of the risks inherent in the use of the Climbing Wall and that I am voluntarily assuming the risks. I understand that I will be solely responsible for any loss or damage, including death or paralysis, I sustain while using the Climbing Wall and that by this agreement I am relieving the College of any and all liability for such loss, damage, or death.

I have read the posted Climbing Wall Policies and agree to abide by them. Additionally, I agree to advise the Climbing Wall Staff if I do any damage or notice any damage to the wall, ropes, anchors, or other wall equipment. I also agree to advise the Climbing Wall Staff if I witness or partake in any unsafe conduct.

I further certify that my date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_ (month/date/year), that my present age is \_\_\_\_\_, and that I am therefore of lawful age (18 years or older) and otherwise legally competent to sign this release. I further understand that the terms of this release are legally binding and I certify that I am signing this release after having carefully read the same, of my own free will.

I further certify that I am under no compulsion to use the Climbing Wall but that I have been informed that I may not use the Climbing Wall unless I enter into this release. I have elected to voluntarily and of my own free will to use the Climbing Wall, such use at all times to be subject to this release.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, this instrument is duly executed at Calvin College, Michigan, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Climbing Wall User's Name Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Climbing Wall User's Name, Printed Clearly

\_\_\_\_\_  
Climbing Center Staff Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Climbing Center Staff Name, Printed Clearly

If this Release is executed by a parent or legal guardian on behalf of a minor participant, I authorize Calvin College, or its designated person to secure medical attention for the participant if any such person deems necessary if I am not available to make a decision regarding such medical attention. This consent shall not impose any obligation to provide such medical attention and it is understood that such persons are not trained medical personnel.

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(Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian if under 18)