

Youth Climbing Series

Volunteer Requirements – Roped (page 1 of 2)

Each round relies on the help of volunteers in order to run. See below the requirements of volunteers needed at a bouldering round of the Youth Climbing Series.

Please familiarise yourself with the full rules ahead of volunteering

Registration assistance

- At the start of each round the Area Youth Coordinator (AYC) will require assistance signing in each competitor.
- Assistance with registration requires being at the front desk and helping with competitor check-in.
- Parental consent forms need to be collected and checked off for each competitor.
- Those without a completed form **cannot** compete. Blank forms will be available to hand out on the day.
- Each competitor is handed a scorecard at registration.

Judging

- Every route at a roped round will require a judge. There are four routes per category.
- A judge will have a route topo/map which informs the judge what each hold is worth.
- A climber receives a '+' point for legitimate movement toward the next hold.
- Completion of a climb will be signified and logged on the scorecard as 'TOP'.
- An attempt on a top-rope route shall be considered successful when the judge has signalled or announced "OK", having determined that the competitor has controlled the marked finishing hold of the route with both hands.
- An attempt on a lead route shall be considered successful when the rope has been clipped into the final karabiner of the route from a legitimate position within the fixed time period for the route and all the quickdraws have been clipped in order.
- If a competitor misses a quickdraw, they will be disqualified from the competition.
- Each competitor has one attempt only per route.
- The start holds will be marked with tape.
- Any out of bounds will be marked with tape.

Judging responsibilities

- It is the judge's responsibility to mark the competitors scores on each competitor's scorecard, immediately after the competitors attempt.
- Each competitor is given a scorecard at registration.

- Each competitor will hand their scorecard to the judge when they wish to attempt the route.
- Any new scorecards must be put to the back of the pile to ensure the running order reflects the order in which the competitors arrived at the route.
- The judge will need to time each climber and make a note of this on their scorecard.
- Judges will need to return the scorecard to the competitor once they've completed their attempt on the route.
- See below the scorecard for a roped round:

YOUTH CLIMBING SERIES - ROUTE SCORECARD												
Venue									Date			
Category	FA	FB	FC	FD	FE	MA	MB	MC	MD	ME		
Name												
Route number	Score		Judge's initials									
1												
2												
3												
4												

JUDGES: PLEASE RECORD RESULTS CLEARLY

EXAMPLE:

Route number	Score		Judge's initials								
1	17+		ABC								
2	21		XYZ								

Belaying - top rope

To top-rope belay at a roped round you must be able to:

- Competently belay a climber on top-rope without guidance.
- Have top-rope belayed regularly for at least two years.
- Have top-rope belayed at least twice within the last month.

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Belaying - top rope (continued...)

- Be able to attach and use a manual or assisted braking device.
- Ensure the rope does not become a hindrance to the climber. For example, the rope pulling on or obstructing the climber.
- Pay attention to the climber throughout the entire duration of the climb and lower-off.
- Be happy to complete a self-declaration form.
- Be available to attend the belay-briefing at the start of each roped round.

Before the competitor begins to climb you must check:

- the competitor's harness is properly fastened;
- the climbing rope is connected to the competitor's harness using a figure of eight knot plus stopper knot;
- the climbing rope is coiled or arranged in a manner ready for immediate and proper use.

Belaying - lead

To lead belay at a roped round you must be able to:

- Competently belay a climber on lead without guidance.
- Have lead belayed regularly for at least two years.
- Have lead belayed at least twice within the last month.
- Be able to attach and use a manual or assisted braking device.
- Provide extra attentive belaying place between the first and third clip.
- Have an active stance throughout the climb to ensure you're prepared for immediate action.
- Be happy to complete a self-declaration form.
- Be available to attend the belay-briefing at the start of each roped round.

Before the competitor begins to climb you must check:

- the competitor's harness is properly fastened;
- the climbing rope is connected to the competitor's harness using a figure of eight knot plus stopper knot;
- the climbing rope is coiled or arranged in a manner ready for immediate and proper use

Floorwalking

- To be a floorwalker you must be a competent top-rope and/or lead belayer. See page one.
- Be able to identify someone belaying incorrectly on top-rope and/or lead.
- Foresee potential risks or hindrance to the climber and belayer.
- Report any concerns and actions taken to your AYC immediately.
- Be confident in your decision making.
- Be confident in approaching belayers with a concern and identifying the appropriate time to do so, without putting the climber at risk.
- A floorwalker needs to monitor more than one belayer at a time and remain constantly focussed.

Judging top tips

- **To believe in your own ability to judge.**
- **To be consistent in your scoring and decision making.**
- **To concentrate on each climber as they climb and avoid distractions whilst competitors are on the wall.**
- **If you're unsure about anything, always ask your AYC for clarification.**