



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



37.98.1713 HIGH ADVENTURE REQUIREMENTS: REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL ROCK CLIMBING

- (1) All rock climbing activities must be supervised by a climbing supervisor meeting the requirements of this rule and ARM 37.98.1715 and 37.98.1717. The climbing supervisor must be assisted by climbing instructors meeting the requirements of this rule and ARM 37.98.1715 and 37.98.1717.
- (2) The following requirements apply to all rock climbing activities:
 - (a) Prior to participating in rock climbing, all youth must be instructed in the care and use of basic equipment, knots, anchors and belays, verbal signals, safety measures, basic climbing holds and moves, and techniques of rappelling.
 - (b) The climbing supervisor and at least one climbing instructor must be present at the climbing site during all climbing activities.
 - (c) A climbing instructor shall be present at the climbing site for each five climbers.
 - (d) A staff member who holds at least a current American red cross community first aid and safety certificate or equivalent shall be present at the climbing site.
 - (e) First aid supplies, put together by a person knowledgeable in first aid supplies needed for climbing activities and possible injuries, must be present at the climbing site.
 - (f) No youth may be forced to participate in climbing activities.
 - (g) The climbing supervisor shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of all equipment used. Equipment must be checked by the supervisor immediately prior to use.
 - (h) All rock climbing equipment must meet industry standards and must be maintained, visually and physically inspected and replaced on a timely basis.
 - (i) Climbers shall wear helmets at all times.
 - (j) The program may not permit an unsupervised climb.
 - (k) Youth must be connected to a safety rope during rock climbing.

Authorizing statute(s): Sec. 50-5-220, MCA

Implementing statute(s): Sec. 50-5-220, MCA

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