



# REGISTRATION FORM

## Under 18's Climbing at The Ridge Climbing Wall



**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	<input type="text"/>	Child's Full Name	<input type="text"/>	Parent/ Guardian/Carer's Full Name	<input type="text"/>
Male / Female	<input type="text"/>	Child's Address	<input type="text"/>		
Date of Birth	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Emergency Telephone No.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Medical Conditions/ Disabilities	<input type="text"/>	Post Code:		<input type="text"/>	

**Conditions of Registration**

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.

Have you and your child read and understood the Conditions of Use and Rules of The Ridge Climbing Wall? .....	<input type="text"/>
* Can your child put on a climbing harness correctly with no help? .....	<input type="text"/>
* Can your child attach a rope to their harness using a suitable climbing knot? .....	<input type="text"/>
* Can your child use a belay device to secure a falling climber and lower a climber from the wall? .....	<input type="text"/>
Does your child require instruction in any of the above three techniques (marked *)? .....	<input type="text"/>
Do you and your child understand that failure to exercise due care could result in you or your child's injury or death? .....	<input type="text"/>
Do you or your child have any questions regarding the application of the Conditions of Use or the Rules? .....	<input type="text"/>
Do you and your child agree to abide by the Rules of the climbing centre? .....	<input type="text"/>

**Declaration of fitness**

I certify that to the best of my child's and my knowledge, they do not suffer from a medical condition, which might have the effect of making it more likely that they could be involved in an accident, which could result in injury to them, others or myself.

**Declaration of fact**

The above information is correct and if any information changes I will notify the centre.

**Permission**

I give permission and consent for the above named child to use The Ridge Climbing Wall whilst under the supervision of a qualified Ridge Climbing Wall instructor or under the supervision of the following registered climber

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Signature (Parent/Guardian/Carer)	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>
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This form is for registration purposes only and will not be shared with any other department of the Council. An electronic version will be securely retained. Under the Data Protection Act, you can see your own personal information. If you would like to know more about this, please ask for our leaflet 'Access to your personal information' or contact the Data Protection Officer at Swindon Borough Council, Civic Offices, Euclid Street, Swindon SN1 2JH.

THIS PART TO BE FILLED IN BY WALL STAFF	CLIFFHANGERS CLUB?		
Have you checked for Parent/Guardian/Carer signature?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you asked the child a sample	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you checked for Parent/Guardian/Carer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does the child require instruction?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff signature	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>



# THE RIDGE CLIMBING WALL

## CONDITIONS OF USE

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

The soft flooring under the bouldering wall is designed to provide a more comfortable landing for climbers falling or jumping from the bouldering wall. **THE SOFT FLOORING WILL NOT MAKE 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. You must **make your own assessment of the risks** whenever you climb.

### Our Duty of Care

The rules of The Ridge Climbing Wall 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 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 Ridge Climbing Wall. Statements of Good Practice are posted around The Ridge Climbing Wall 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 Ridge Climbing Wall expects you to be competent in the use of a safety harness, a suitable knot to attach a rope to a harness and a recognised belay device to secure a falling climber or lower a climber from the wall using a rope. You are required to register to say: 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 these have been booked and paid for in advance.**

If you are not confident in the use of any climbing equipment or techniques, 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 Ridge Climbing Wall may supervise up to **two (2)** novice climbers, as long as they are prepared to **take full responsibility for the safety of those persons**. An instructor holding the relevant Mountain Leader Board Qualification must only supervise groups of 3 or more novices.

### Children

An adult must supervise all children who wish to use The Ridge Climbing Wall unless they have been assessed by the Management and registered for unsupervised climbing.