



## **Climbing Wall Operational Policies**

### **ACCESS**

- University-issued ID or Ryzer access code with Photo ID is required to participate.
- All climbers must participate in an orientation and sign a waiver prior to their first climb.
- Participants under 18 years old must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. Participants under 18 years old require a parent or guardian signature on a waiver.
- Climbers must be able to pass the top rope certification prior to belaying and must have belay cards visible at all times.
- Climbing wall ropes will be tied up and the wall curtained off when climbing wall personnel are not present.

### **CONDUCT**

- Food, gum, candy, tobacco products and beverages (except water) are prohibited.
- Please allow right of way to other climbers or boulderers that were first on route on any given sections of the wall.
- Bouldering above the second line of quick draws is prohibited.
- Climbers who wish to boulder higher than the first set of quick draws requires a spotter and use of one of the crash pads.
- Climbing wall staff may require boulderers to have a spotter at any height.
- Unsafe bouldering will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the facility.

### **EQUIPMENT**

- Only climbing wall staff are allowed to retrieve equipment from the cart.
- The Climbing Wall will provide climbing equipment for patrons on a first-come, first-served basis.
- While climbing shoes are not required, they are recommended.
- Only UWSP climbing ropes and quick draws are permitted when climbing. No personal ropes or quick draws are allowed.
- Climbers may bring their own climbing equipment. Harnesses, belaying devices and locking carabineers will be approved by climbing wall staff. Hip belays, munter hitches, etc. are prohibited.
- All equipment must be used appropriately, in the manner for which use was intended, and in accordance with Climbing Wall expectations.

### **SERVICE DISRUPTIONS AND CANCELLATIONS**

- When inclement weather, power outages, or emergency conditions exist, the Climbing Wall will follow procedures outlined by the UWSP campus. If the main UWSP campus closes, the Climbing Wall will close until campus resumes normal activity. Members will be notified via email and notifications will be posted on our social media pages for relevant service disruptions.
- If available hours are shortened or cancelled due to any of the aforementioned or other conditions, no make-up sessions, credits or refunds will be offered.
- These policies and procedures are subject to change at the discretion of the University, University Centers or the Fitness and Recreation subunit.