

Rock Climbing Instructor Assessment

Overview

The course is two days long and will take place over one weekend. More details about the scheme can be found in the Rock Climbing Instructor Handbook on the Mountain Training website; www.mountain-training.org/climbing/skills-and-awards/rock-climbing-instructor.

At the end of the weekend the Course Director will update your Mountain Training profile with an assessment report and make an appropriate recommendation to pass, defer or fail your award.

The course includes full catering and indoor accommodation.

You can book online at yr-hafod.org.uk/wp/training/climbing.

Programme

The exact course content and detailed programme is governed by Mountain Training and the Course Director. The course will cover all sections of the Rock Climbing Instructor assessment.

The syllabus can be found in the [Rock Climbing Instructor handbook](#).

Experience required

- You must have attended a Rock Climbing Instructor training course (or have been granted exemption).
- You must be familiar with the syllabus – rate yourself with the [Skills Checklist](#).
- You must be competent leading Severe grade climbs on outdoor crags with leader-placed protection.
- You must have led a minimum of 40 graded rock climbs with traditional protection at a variety of venues (of which at least 20 MUST be at Severe grade or above).
- You must be proficient in the use of climbing walls and have a minimum of 30 climbing wall leads graded at F4 or above.
- You must be proficient in outdoor bolt protected sport climbing and have a minimum of 10 sport climb leads graded at F4 or above.
- You must have assisted in the supervision of 20 instructed sessions. These sessions should be at a variety of different venues with 10 being on indoor climbing walls and



Rev. 0, February 2019

the other 10 on outdoor crags. A session is a half day or evening. At least five of these sessions must have personal reflective comments recorded on DLOG.

- You must have physically attended and completed (i.e. not online) a first aid course which involved at least two full days or sixteen hours of instruction and included an element of assessment.

What to bring

You will need to bring suitable personal equipment, a guidebook and clothing for a day's rock climbing at a climbing wall and in the mountains near Yr Hafod.

Yr Hafod will provide all group climbing equipment.

The bunkrooms are provided with mattresses; however, you will need to bring a sleeping bag and pillow.

Logbook and other paperwork

Details of your climbs must be logged and ideally in the [Mountain Training DLOG](#). When we register you on the course we will have access to your DLOG. If you use any other form of log please ensure you bring this with you on the assessment. Your logbook will be reviewed on the Friday night.

End of course and feedback

At the end of the weekend the Course Director will confirm the outcome of your assessment. You will also receive feedback on your performance, including advice on your ongoing development opportunities.

Scout Permits

If you successfully pass the assessment we will gladly issue you with a Scout Natural Rock Climbing permit. Please make sure your profile in Compass is visible outside of your hierarchy and that we can see your permits. More information on how to do this can be found [in the FAQs on our website](#).



Further information

The [Mountain Training website](#) has full details of the Rock Climbing Instructor scheme including the handbook and full details on the training and assessment.

You may be aware that you could be eligible for funding from The Scout Association to support some of the cost of the course, including the cost of your transport. [See their grants for training page for more details.](#)

