CLIMBERS’ CODE OF RESPECT

Educate yourself about outdoor rock climbing ethics, safety considerations and how to lessen your environmental impact at the cliff.

RESPECT THE DANGERS

- Learn necessary outdoor climbing skills from a guide/mentor
- Learn about the cliff: protection/difficulty/hazards
- Wear a helmet, rocks can break, yell “rock” if rock/gear fails
- Inspect/clean your gear often, replace when worn/expired
- Triple check and back up your systems (harness/knot/belay/rappel/anchor)
- Communicate with your partner and other climbers
- Learn how to detect if fixed gear/bolts are safe

RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT

- Stay on designated trails to lessen impact
- Pack out your trash and pick up after others
- Use existing bathroom facilities or dig a hole, bury it, and pack out toilet paper
- Do not feed or hurt animals
- Place boulder pads/backpack on non-vegetated surfaces
- Do not damage/chip the rock. Brush off your tick marks
- Be aware of seasonal fire bans and follow regulations

RESPECT OTHERS

- Climb in smaller groups. Share climbs with others
- Check if dogs are allowed, keep dogs leashed
- Pull your ropes when finished. Yell “rope” when pulling ropes
- Keep noise levels appropriate, no loud music/profanities
- Respect “right of way” on multi-pitch/shared anchors

RESPECT CLIMBING ACCESS

- Respect land owner rules or provincial/federal regulations
- Do not leave gear unless permitted
- Park considerately, carpool if possible
- Camp only in designated/permitted areas
- Respect area closures (seasonal/permanent)
- Pay required entrance fees/permits
- Follow Transport Canada regulations for drone use

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