



Risk Assessment

Equipment / activity: Climbing Wall
Date: 05/01/2023

Hazard	Who is at risk?	Possible effects/harm	Likelihood (high, medium, low)	Evaluation & Control Measures	Revised risk rating (high, medium, low)	Are there adequate control measures in place?
Falling from the wall	Participants	Risk of serious injury.	High	<p>Participants are belayed on a climbing rope which arrests fall.</p> <p>Participants to be fitted in a correctly sized harness, attached to the rope.</p> <p>All equipment to be inspected regularly and reviewed annually.</p> <p>Supervised by trained JM Entertainment staff.</p>	Medium	Yes. Staff to be trained in basic first aid to be used in the event of minor accidents and injuries.
Hitting the wall when descending	Participants	Risk of injury from hitting the wall, or into other climbers.	Medium	<p>Participants are belayed on a climbing rope which arrests fall.</p> <p>Participants to be told how to make a controlled descent.</p>	Medium	Yes
Failure of equipment	Participants	Risk of injury from failure of rope or harness	Medium	All equipment to be inspected regularly and reviewed annually	Low	Yes

Falling objects	Staff, participants, public	Risk of injury from loose items falling from participants pockets or loose shoes/ clothing.	Low	Participants to empty pockets before using the wall and ensure shoes are properly fitted and secure. Barrier to be set up around the wall to protect the spectators.	Low	Yes
Inappropriate behaviour	Staff, participants, public	Inappropriate behaviour on the wall could result in injury or unsafe conditions	Medium	Participants to be supervised by JM Entertainment staff. Any persons behaving inappropriately are to be asked vacate the wall.	Low	Yes
Fear of heights	Participants	Participant may become “frozen” on the wall or could experience an anxiety attack	Medium	Participants to be reassured on how to make a controlled descent. Staff only to manually assist participants if fully trained and harnessed.	Low	Yes
Adverse weather conditions	Staff, participants, public	Danger of wall collapsing or being blown in the wind. Risk of slipping or falling in wet conditions	Medium	Wall should not be used in adverse weather conditions. Weather forecast to be checked before assembly of the wall.	Low	Yes

Risk rating

High

For example:

- fatality possible to one or more individuals however infrequent
- major injury to few individuals occurring frequently
- likelihood of long term muscular-skeletal problems affecting significant numbers of staff

Immediate action required

Medium

For example:

- major injury to one/few individuals occurring infrequently
- likelihood of long term muscular-skeletal problems affecting some staff. Requires attention as soon as possible

Low

For example:

- minor injury occurring infrequently to few staff.
Not a priority, may need attention if not as low as reasonably practicable.