

Assessment Checklist for Single Pitch Climbing Top Rope Group Climbing



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Introduction

This is an assessment checklist to use in assessing an Applicant to gain a permit to lead Single Pitch Climbing as Top Rope Group Climbing. More details on the permit scheme, assessing, technical skills and Single Pitch Climbing can be found in resources listed in [FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index](#).

Using This Checklist

This checklist is the syllabus that an Applicant should be assessed against for the Technical section of gaining a permit.

Once an assessment is complete the Approved Assessor should fill in the back page and give it to the Applicant to take to their responsible Commissioner.

Equivalent Qualifications

If an Applicant has gained the Single Pitch Award of the MLTUK, or equivalent or higher within the last five years, or if any of these awards were gained more than five years ago but logged experience shows them to have been active within the last five years, then no practical assessment is required.

Technical Publication

If you require any more technical information on any of the elements in the checklist, these can be found in the official technical manual, which is:

Rock Climbing by *Libby Peter* ISBN 0-9541511-1-9

Single Pitch Climbing Top Rope Group Climbing

Core Skill	Done / Comments
<p>Responsibilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Choose objectives appropriate to the group. ▪ Plan effectively in advance. 	
<p>Group Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Manage and communicate with a group effectively. ▪ Ensure the group is adequately briefed before the activity. 	
<p>Risk Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Know how to complete a Risk Assessment. ▪ Able to effectively identify the hazards and risks and know how to reduce or remove them, during Single Pitch Climbing. 	
<p>Weather</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Knowledge of where to gain weather information. ▪ Knowledge of how weather conditions can affect Single Pitch Climbing. 	
<p>Technical</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ability to select suitable, sound anchors. ▪ Ability to set up of top rope belays and anchors. ▪ Ability to use a belay device competently. ▪ Ability to hold falls and carry out lowers. ▪ Ability to instruct others belaying. ▪ Demonstrate basic climbing movement skills. ▪ Give adequate advice to a stuck climber so that they may be lowered back to the ground. ▪ Ability to set up a releasable abseil system for group use. ▪ Ability to safeguard novice abseilers and deal with common problems. 	
<p>Emergency Procedures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Knowledge of relevant procedures in the event of an accident. ▪ Ability to deal with stuck climber and stuck abseiler situations. 	
<p>Equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Knowledge of personal and group equipment required and how it is used. ▪ Understanding of additional equipment required by the leader. ▪ Ability to evaluate the condition of equipment. 	

Single Pitch Climbing Top Rope Group Climbing Permit Assessment

The Applicant should keep this form once it has been completed by the Approved Assessor and take it to their responsible Commissioner.

Applicant's Name		Permit Applied For	
1. TECHNICAL COMPETENCE			Done <input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Technical assessment based on the holding of an appropriate NGB award, renewal of an existing permit with up to date experience, or a practical assessment of the Assessment Checklist. To Be Completed By: Either an appointed County Assessor or an External Assessor with the appropriate NGB award.			
Restrictions based on Technical Assessment:			
			Date
Assessor:	Signature		Name
	County (if SA Assessor)		Phone
2. SCOUT ASSOCIATION RULES			Done <input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Check of the Applicant's knowledge of the appropriate Scout Association rules for running the activity. Appropriate Rules can be found in FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index . To Be Completed By: Either an appointed County Assessor, responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the responsible Commissioner.			
Restrictions based on knowledge of The Scout Association Rules:			
			Date
Signature		Name	Role
3. CHILD PROTECTION			Done <input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Check Applicant has undertaken the necessary Personal Enquiry checks and received the appropriate child protection training. To Be Completed By: Responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the Commissioner.			
Restrictions based on Child Protection:			
			Date
Signature		Name	Role
4. PERSONAL SUITABILITY			Done <input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Check the Applicant is suitable (attitude etc) based on the demands of the activity. To Be Completed By: Responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the Commissioner.			
Restrictions based on Personal Suitability:			
			Date
Signature		Name	Role
5. PERMIT GRANTED			Done <input type="checkbox"/>
Restrictions:			
			Expiry Date
Commissioner Sign ature			Date