



PCIA Top Rope and Single Pitch Climbing Instructor Certification Course

Date & Times: Saturday through Tuesday, October 28-31, **TIME TBD**

Location: Great Falls

Description:

The course provides an in depth and standardized understanding of the skills essential to teaching top rope and single pitch climbing. It reinforces the importance of teaching technically accurate information and debunks many common climbing myths. The emphasis is on refining core skills and improving educational delivery of material.

Building upon the existing skills of competent recreational climbers the course provides an in depth look at site selection, equipment, knot selection, anchor construction, rope systems, Leave No Trace practices, rescue and assistance skills as well as key instructional skills. Most importantly the course stresses blending these skills together to form a more seamless and efficient climbing experience for participants. Participants may elect to take either the PCIA Top Rope Climbing Instructor or Single Pitch Climbing Instructor certification after course

Pre-Requisites: Candidates must:

- be at least 18 years old at the time of the course.
- show an adequate experience level to the course provider illustrating that they are ready for the course. Examples include regular climbing for 2 – 3 years, a high intensity of climbing in the past few months, etc.
- be able to comfortably set-up base managed climbs, to belay, and to rappel without guidance and can demonstrate detailed familiarity with anchoring principles, natural anchors and artificial anchors (wedges, hexes, passive and active cams). These skills may be assessed at the start of the course.
- Arrive with the personal equipment necessary for the course.
- be capable of comfortably climbing 5.8 terrain while on a top rope.
- Lead climbing experience is highly recommended but not required.

Cost: \$550

Organization: Acadia Mountain Guides

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