



SPORT CLIMBING AUSTRALIA

Belayer Assessment

Name of belayer: _____

Assessor: _____

Belay Device used: _____

The belayer:

- Is fully aware of the Sport Climbing Australia Belaying Policy and knows the Belayer Job Description
- Is an experienced Lead belayer and is familiar with their belay device.
- Has the appropriate equipment
- Correctly fit their harness and install their belay device according to the manufacturer recommendations
- Is aware to not communicate with the climber
- Is aware that the climber should remain in a legitimate position at all time (see climbing procedure rules) and informs other officials if this is not the case

Checks

- Checks the climber's harness is fastened properly.
- Checks the climber has tied in with a figure 8 knot with a stopper knot.
- Checks the rope is ready for use.

Belaying

- Correctly spot the climbers before the first quickdraw is clipped
- Moves in an appropriate position to ensure the rope is away from the climber's leg at the beginning
- Ensures that the climber has adequate slack to move unhindered and clip into protection points
- Safely pay out slack
- Safely take in any excessive slack
- Is aware of hazards on the route, including proximity of the ground on lower sections of the route and reacts accordingly
- Changes their position relative to the wall to allow quicker feeding out and pulling in of slack. However, the belayer remains close to the wall at all time (<3m from bottom of climb).
- Is able to catch falls in a safe and dynamic manner
- Is aware of their mass and body size relative to the climber they're belaying. Adapts their position and the amount of slack out accordingly
- Lowers the climber in a safe and controlled manner to the ground at the conclusion of their attempt.
- Pulls the rope carefully through the top quickdraw clipped as the climber unties from the rope.

Result:

Qualified

Not Qualified

Signed: _____

Date: _____

(Belaying Coordinator)