

## Box Canyon Climbing Comp Rules

All participants must follow 'Leave no trace' principles and climb only established routes. All participants must sign a waiver before climbing. Anyone observed endangering themselves or others while climbing will be disqualified.

**Note:** There are a few important rule changes for sport climbing this year. If you are planning to enter as a sport climber, please make sure to read the entire sport climbing section for updates.

## Bouldering

- Beginner: V0 - V3
- Intermediate: V0 - V5
- Advanced: V0 - V7
- Monster: V0 - V $\infty$
- Century: As many problems as possible

### Scoring

Participants must enter the number of falls taken on each problem (0 or F for flash). A witness must sign beside the number of falls. The top 6 climbs should be noted on the back and they must add up their total, unless they are in the century category. "Sandbaggers," or those who climb beyond the range of the category they signed up for, will be bumped up to their appropriate category! However, no one will be moved out of their category based on their comparative score.

No one will be bumped down from the category they signed up for if they do not climb higher grades than the category below them. In other words, if someone signs up for Intermediate, but only climbs up to V2, they will not be put into the Beginner category.

In the Century Bouldering event, an individual climbs as many problems of any grade. There are no sub categories or different levels within the Century. Everyone competes on the same level and all problems are open, so they may climb at any grade. Century competitors are to add up total point values.

## Sport Climbing

- Beginner: 5.4 - 5.8

- Intermediate: 5.4 - 5.10
- Advanced: 5.4 - 5.12d
- Monster: 5.4 - 5.14 and beyond
- Century: As many routes as possible

## **Scoring**

**\*\*2023 Box Comp sport climbing safety update:** This year sport climbing at box comp will require a lead climbing and lead belaying certification. If you have taken a lead climbing and lead belay test at any climbing gym such as Santa Fe Climbing Center or Stone Age, you can submit a photo of your certification upon registration. If you do not have proof of lead and belay certification, you can attend our certification event Friday November 3rd, from 3 - 5 pm. If neither of these options work for you, you will not be allowed to compete in sport climbing. You will still be allowed to compete in bouldering.\*\*

**\*\* 2023 Box Comp sport climbing scoring update:** Unlike previous years, sport climbers will be competing individually instead of as a team. Each competitor will be scored for their own routes, independent of their belayer. \*\*

Points are given for clean lead ascents only. A competitor will have their belayer sign off for each completed route. The top 6 routes on lead of each competitor will be calculated for their score. No route can be repeated by an individual.

A successful "lead" is starting at the bottom, clipping gear along the way, and arriving at the anchors with no falls, no hangs, and no pulling on gear. If someone falls or hangs on gear, they are to lower down and climb back up to their high point in "yo-yo" style, then continue on. Climbers must clip both anchors at the top of the route to lower on. Stick clipping up to the second bolt is allowed, but nothing above that.

In the Century Sport event, each competitor climbs as many routes of any grade. There are no sub categories or different levels within the Century. Everyone competes on the same level and all routes are open, so they may climb at any grade. Competitors are to add up total point values.