



Mckinlay Mountaineering is an approved Mountain Training provider enabling us to deliver their industry standard qualifications. This allows us to provide training and assessment for the Mountain Leader, Rock Climbing Instructor, Climbing Wall Instructor and Climbing Wall Development Instructor. We now are the largest provider of Mountain Training awards in the North of England delivering 55 courses in 2022 alone.

CLIMBING WALL INSTRUCTOR ASSESSMENT

The Climbing Wall Instructor trains and assesses candidates in the skills required to supervise climbers on purpose built artificial climbing walls and boulders. It is ideal for people who work at climbing walls or at venues with permanent or mobile climbing towers. As such it is seen as a highly desirable qualification for those wishing to work in the outdoors industry and with outdoor centres, school groups and the voluntary sector. The scheme is also a vital tool for climbers wanting to review their personal skills, allowing them to expand their knowledge of current best practise.

Pre-requisites for Climbing Wall Instructor assessment:

- You must be at least 18 years old.
- You must have attended a Climbing Wall Instructor (or Climbing Wall Award) training course or have been granted [exemption](#) from training, and be familiar with the syllabus.
- You must have logged a minimum of 30 personal climbing visits to at least three different climbing walls.
- You must have led a minimum of 40 climbs on climbing walls. You must be confident leading routes at Fr 4.
- You must have assisted in the supervision of at least 15 instructed sessions on at least two different walls including a large public facility in a variety of contexts. At least five of these sessions must have personal reflective comments recorded on DLOG
- You must have physically attended and completed (i.e. not online) a first aid course which involved at least one full day or eight hours of instruction and included an element of assessment.

Please note that you will need to have completed your DLOG. This must be done 5 days before the start of the course. This is an assessment requirement.

Price:

- £115.00 scheme assessment
- £175.00 scheme assessment with abseil module
- Bespoke courses are worked out on an individual basis

Payment:

Payment is made via the website. Please note the full amount is payable immediately. Alternatively, payment can be made by cheque or bank transfer: Payee Mckinlay Mountaineering.

Account number: 29548861 Sort code: 601239. We will contact you as soon as payment has been made.

You will need:

Clothing for an indoor climbing wall: including warm clothing, harness, helmet and rock boots, quick-draws if you have them and a "single" climbing rope suitable for lead climbing.

Please bring a packed lunch.

Some people find a camera useful for taking photos of belay systems.

Entrance fee to Climbing Wall

All items are brought with the knowledge that Mckinlay Mountaineering takes no responsibility for the loss or damage of these items. These are the sole responsibility of the candidate.

Transport and accommodation is not included.

Assessment Itinerary:

9.00am	Meet at Big Depot 100a Gelderd Rd, Holbeck, Leeds LS12 6BY. Overview of course Warming up and bouldering games Movement coaching
Afternoon Course finish 5.30	Bottom rope belaying and climbing Abseil module

Recommended Reading:

Please refer to your Climbing Wall Instructor handbook for details with regards to the syllabus and scope of the qualification. This can be downloaded from the Mountain Training website:

[Climbing Wall Instructor Handbook](#)

Please also refer to the below titles for further reading:

[Rock Climbing by Libby Peter, the official handbook for Mountain Training's climbing schemes](#)

Potential outcomes of assessment:

Following the assessment, the course director will complete a course report on CMS which will record one of three possible results:

Pass: Awarded where the candidate has demonstrated appropriate knowledge and application of the course syllabus, and has shown the necessary experience and attributes of a Climbing Wall Development Instructor.

Defer: Awarded where the candidate has generally performed well and has shown the necessary experience and attributes, but where complete proficiency has not been attained in certain aspects of the syllabus or where a lack of experience has been identified.

Fail: Awarded where the candidate's performance has been generally weak, or the necessary experience and attributes have not been shown. A complete assessment course will need to be subsequently attended.