

# CWA Certification Summit



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Anaheim, CA**

## Registration Now Open for the 2015 CWA Certification Summit

**Partnership with Petzl continues to drive new content**

The Climbing Wall Association is excited to announce its second annual Certification Summit. The event will be held at the Petzl Technical Institute in Salt Lake



City, Utah from October 26-30, 2015. This year we will be offering CWA's new Work-at-Height Certification for Gym Employees.

The Certification Summit is a technical training event that offers instructor certification, work-at-height certification, and professional development opportunities for the indoor climbing industry. In addition to the certification offerings, the event will also offer first aid training and clinics and demonstrations from Petzl's technical staff.

**REGISTER NOW**



The CWA would like to welcome one of its newest members: Rock City Climbing in Anaheim, CA.

Rock City Climbing is Orange County's original home for indoor rock climbing. Not just a gym, but a community of climbers. Rock City provides a home for first time climbers or master senders to enjoy a fun, safe, family-oriented environment.



Owners:  
Maurice &  
Tasha



Rock City is part of their history. It is where Maurice was first introduced to climbing. It's where Maurice and Tasha went on their first date. Maurice loved it so much, he married Tasha and became General Manager. In 2015, Maurice and Tasha took

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## CWA & Petzl Courses Offered:

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### Petzl Personal Protective Equipment Inspection Certification

**Dates and Times:** Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1pm - 5pm, Thursday, Friday, Oct. 29-30, 9am - 5pm  
**Cost:** \$495

This certification workshop will cover all aspects of care, maintenance, and inspection of personal protective equipment. Attendees will learn practical techniques and procedures required to conduct thorough examinations, produce inspection reports, and specify corrective action when needed. In addition, attendees will learn to identify considerations for creating a management system for tracking life-safety equipment. The workshop will culminate with a written and practical examination.

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### First Aid and CPR

**Dates and Times:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Oct. 27-29 7pm-8:30pm  
**Cost:** \$195

The first aid portion of the course will teach you how to respond to common first aid emergencies, including cuts; burns; head, neck and back injuries. Learn how to respond to cardiac and breathing emergencies in adults, including the use of automated external defibrillators (AED). This First Aid/CPR/AED course will give you the skills to save a life or support a patient until medical transport arrives. The course aligns with OSHA's Best Practices for Workplace First Aid Training Programs. Certification is issued upon successful completion. Free online refreshers are available with all course options. Course length 4.5 hours, 2 year certification, renewable online.

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### CWA Work at Height Certification for Gym Employees

**Dates and Times:** Monday, Tuesday, Oct. 26-27, 9am - 5pm, Wednesday, Oct. 28, 9am - 12pm  
**Cost:** \$495

This course will address the requirements for CWA work at height

over ownership of the gym and couldn't be more excited to build the Rock City family in Southern California's amazing climbing community.

We at the CWA welcome Rock City and look forward to visiting soon!

## High School Nationals Comp at CityROCK

Do you have organized climbing at your high school gym or in your state? If so, we'd like to invite you to send teams to participate in the **first High School Nationals Competition** hosted by CityROCK in the spring of 2016.

Don't have high school climbing organized? Contact Lara Grosjean, [lara@climbcityrock.com](mailto:lara@climbcityrock.com), to learn how the Colorado model works and help foster high school climbing in your state/gym.

### Why High School climbing instead of other competitive leagues?

The philosophy of the High School Climbing League is to encourage the team aspect of the sport and the development of well-rounded, lifelong climbers. There are other avenues for individual competition, the high school climbing league differentiates itself by offering competitions geared towards participation and teamwork.

Interested in participating or learning more? E-mail Lara Grosjean, [lara@climbcityrock.com](mailto:lara@climbcityrock.com)

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certification. The course will address the administrative requirements for an employer's managed work-at-height program, including written hazard assessment, fall protection plan, rescue plan, and appropriate equipment selection and use. The course will review, and then evaluate candidates knowledge of and competence in: 1) developing a fall protection plan, 2) selection and use of appropriate equipment, 3) proficiency with fall protection systems (restraint, positioning, suspension, and fall arrest), 4) proficiency in access methods in front of and behind the climbing wall, 5) developing a written rescue plan and, 6) executing the plan. Certification participants will demonstrate techniques for ascending, descending, positioning, self-belay, and rescue while working at height on a climbing wall. We will discuss the selection and use of vertical rope access fall arrest equipment and the application of certain work at height techniques used in industry to the climbing wall environment. This certification course will cover administrative requirements, specialized equipment, practical techniques, and procedures for work at height as a gym employee. Successful candidates should understand, and be able to implement, a comprehensive work-at-height program and train staff to work within that program.



## Climbing Wall Instructor Course

**Dates:** Thursday, Oct. 29, 9am - 5pm, Friday, Oct. 30, 9am - 12pm  
**Cost:** \$395

The 12-hour CWI course will address equipment and facility inspection, client orientation and instruction, top rope skills, lead skills, bouldering and spotting, and emergency procedures. Participants will need to meet a number of prerequisites and study course material prior to the course. All course assessment is pass/fail, with options to repeat the course if necessary. The CWI course is designed to be integrated into a gym's existing staff training program if the owner/operator qualifies as a CWI Provider. The certificate is valid for 3 years from the date of the course.



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Pre-requisites, certification standards and other course information can be found [here](#).

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## Climbing Wall Instructor Re-certification Course

**Date and Times:** Thursday, Oct. 29, 9am - 5pm

**Cost:** \$295

This training will provide re-certification for expiring CWI's and will provide refresher and further education. This includes the basic technical skills necessary to participate in an instructional program at a climbing facility, including the following general topic areas:

- \* equipment and facility inspection
  - \* client orientation and instruction
  - \* teaching top rope skills
  - \* teaching lead skills (optional)
  - \* bouldering and spotting
  - \* emergency procedures
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## Climbing Wall Instructor Provider Course

**Date and Times:** Thursday, Oct. 29, 9am - 5pm, Friday Oct. 30, 9am - 12pm

**Cost:** \$295

This training will review the program policy manual, the CWA Industry Practices, the student manual and curricula and general course flow. Provider candidates must be familiar with the primary program documents prior to attending the training. A portion of the training will be spent evaluating the provider candidate's skills, in scenarios to develop provider skills in consistent nationwide delivery of course content, fair student evaluation, providing effective student feedback, risk management, and in discussing the consensus pass/fail standards.

The CWI program provider is an eight hour course. Some lecture, but emphasis on demonstration, collaborative learning, evaluation and group discussion of the program and curricula. We will review course flow from successful courses and participate in teaching scenarios to help prospective providers be able to offer a consistent course, consistent feedback to students, and a consistent standard of examination.

**Preparation may be required for this course. Instructor may directly contact attendees beforehand. Please review the certification program information here:**

[http://www.climbingwallindustry.org/index.php/standards/cwi\\_providers/](http://www.climbingwallindustry.org/index.php/standards/cwi_providers/)

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