



Ohio Revised Code Section 4175.03 Requirements for facilities.

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Each climbing facility operator shall do all of the following:

- (A) Maintain a policy of liability insurance in accordance with section 4175.08 of the Revised Code;
- (B) Comply with all manufacturer instructions and requirements regarding the manufactured climbing wall, including the operation, inspection, repair, modification, or replacement of the wall or a component of the wall;
- (C) Comply with all manufacturer instructions and requirements for use of climbing facility-owned personal protective equipment, including the operation, inspection, repair, modification, or replacement of the personal protective equipment;
- (D) Post rules and warnings for climbers and spectators. The rules and warnings must be clearly legible and be in a conspicuous location in the climbing facility.
- (E) Conduct an orientation of the climbing facility for all climbers. The orientation shall contain a notice of climber responsibility as described in section 4175.05 of the Revised Code.
- (F) Maintain the walls, flooring, anchors, holds, ropes, connectors, and facility-owned personal protective equipment in serviceable condition;
- (G) Conduct criminal history inquiries of all individuals eighteen years of age or older who seek employment for the positions of manager, assistant manager, instructor, route setter, coach, assistant coach, or similar positions. The climbing facility owner shall require each applicant for employment in these positions who are eighteen years of age or older to provide consent to a criminal records check, in accordance with section 109.572 of the Revised Code, as part of the applicant's application for employment. The bureau of criminal identification and investigation shall comply with a criminal records check made pursuant to this section.



(H) Maintain sufficient staffing to control access to the facility, supervise the facility during its hours of operation, and provide emergency assistance as needed;

(I) Maintain sufficient records for the operation of the climbing facility, including:

(1) A record of all purchases of facility-owned personal protective equipment;

(2) A record of all inspections, maintenance, or repairs conducted on the manufactured climbing wall, excluding holds;

(3) A record of all inspections on facility-owned personal protective equipment.

(J) Comply with all applicable state and local building, fire, and zoning requirements ;

(K)(1) Conduct inspections of the manufactured climbing wall per the manufacturer's instructions or every four years, whichever is sooner;

(2) The inspection shall be conducted by either of the following:

(a) The manufacturer or the manufacturer's representative;

(b) A licensed professional engineer.

(3) Evidence of such an inspection shall be filed with the department of commerce.