

2021 Pocatello Pump Information, Rules and Regulations

The staff at the Idaho State University Outdoor Adventure Center would like to welcome you to the Pocatello Pump. We would also like to remind you climbing is inherently dangerous. Climbers check your belayers harness and belay set-up. Belayers check your climbers harness, knot and carabineers. Belayers and climbers should use appropriate communication and belay techniques. Please climb safely.

Categories

- **"Local" classes have been designated for climbers who are familiar with Ross Park.** Anyone with this advantage should enter a "local" category.
- **Your card will be marked with an "L" if you are in a local category.**

Belayers

- All climbers must **provide their own belayer.**

Scoring

- A route is completed when both hands lie flat on the top of the rock. **Your belayer must see this in order for you to receive points. Your belayer will list the route, the number of points earned, and initial.**
- Points are awarded according to difficulty of the climb.
- The Pump Staff has the right to make decisions regarding conflicts on misunderstandings of the rules, written or implied.
- **If there are any complaints about your actions during any part of the competition you may be disqualified.**

Climbing Guidelines

- The Pump recommends that climbers use two locking carabineers, opposed and reversed to clip into the rope in the top-roping segments.
- All climbers **must be roped to attempt a climb.**
- **Climbers are encouraged to wear a helmet.**
- All routes are open to all climbers regardless of your category level.
- All routes must be attempted before any can be repeated.
- All belay lines must remain slack and a weighted rope counts as a fall.
- Some routes (the more difficult climbs) have been taped to keep the rating at the established designated level. If you use a hold over the tape, it will count as a fall. We realized that you personally may climb this route using different holds, however for this competition you must stay inside the tape that have been determined by the Outdoor Adventure Center Staff in order to receive points.

Saturday at Sunny Side (S. 2nd Ave)

8 AM: Registration Opens

9AM: First heat begins

City of Rocks, Shawangunks, Smith Rocks, Fins, and Massacre Rocks Classes

- All classes will be given 90 minutes to complete as many climbs as possible. 2 heats will take place, first 9am-10:30am and second 11am-12:30pm
- There will be a **one-fall limit.** After one fall, the climber must be lowered to the ground to restart the climb. After two falls, the climber receives zero points for that climb, and will not be allowed another attempt on that climb.
- Smith Rocks is a non-leading category.
- Fins and Massacre Rocks are non-competitive categories

Sunday, 8:00 AM at Sunny Side (S. 2nd Ave)

Lead Climbing Final

- Climbers in the City of Rocks, Shawangunks, and Fins classes will enter a lead climbing finals competition. Lead climbing will take place Sunday morning from 8:00 am to Noon. Lead climbers must pick up their card by 9:30 am or they will lose their opportunity to climb in this segment and will then receive no points for lead climbing.

Ropes and Belayers

- **You must provide your own rope and belayer.** All quick draws are pre-placed.

Climbing Guidelines

- **No warm up climbs are allowed.** Any warm up climbs will be counted as one of your climbs.

- **Clip sticks may be used to clip the first bolt.**
- **Zero fall limit.** A fall on a lead means the climber receives zero points for that climb and the climb cannot be attempted again. Falls before clipping into the first bolt do not count toward the zero fall limit.
- Climbers may **attempt 9** leads. **The top 8 will be scored.**
- You may down climb and restart a route. If you leave the climb it counts as a fall and you receive zero points.
- Take your card to the registration table on the Shady Side after you are done climbing.

Scoring

- A lead is finished when **both hands touch the top** of the rock and the **descending carabineer has been clipped.**
- **Lead climbs are worth double the top-rope value.** The climbs and point values are on your scorecard.
- **Your belayer will fill out your score card. Make sure they initial and write down points earned on the card.** If the points earned are not written down on the card it will be scored as a zero.
- **If there are any complaints about your actions during this part of the competition you may be disqualified.**

Sunday at Shady Side (S. 4th St.)

10AM: Registration Opens

11AM: First heat begins

Red Rocks, Seneca Rocks, Big Cottonwood Canyon, Little Cottonwood Canyon, Massacre Rocks and Everest Classes: Sunday 11:00 am (Shady Side; South 4th St.)

- All classes will be given 60 minutes to complete as many climbs as possible. Three heats with 15 minute intermission in-between.
- There will be a two-fall limit per climb. The climber must be lowered to the ground and restart the climb after each fall. If the climber falls a third time, they will receive zero points for the climb and will not be allowed another attempt on that climb.
- Climbs LC-1, LC-2 and LC-3 are only available to the Little Cottonwood Canyon and Everest climbers.

POST CLIMBING FESTIVITIES

The Awards Party will be held at the Upper Ross Park Pavilion on Sunday after the third heat on the Shady Side (estimated time 3:30pm).

****You must climb and be present to win draw prizes!!****

PRIZES: The top finisher in each category will receive a custom Pocatello Pump mug.

DRAW PRIZES: All climbers will be eligible to receive draw prizes at the award ceremony. ****You must climb and be present to win draw prizes!!****