

**07 NCAC 13B .0204      ROCK CLIMBING**

- (a) Rock climbing, bouldering, or rappelling is prohibited except in in areas designated by the Park Superintendent, in accordance with Rule .0104 of this Subchapter. A Special Use Permit, as provided by Rule .0104 of this Subchapter, is required for all climbing, rappelling, and bouldering that is not part of an organized group as described in Paragraph (d) of this Rule.
- (b) The installation of permanent or fixed rock climbing anchors, such as pitons and expansion bolts, is prohibited in any climbing area unless the Park Superintendent has determined the installation may be made safely and without affecting park resources or facilities.
- (c) The superintendent may designate a daily capacity limit for specific climbing routes and areas based on natural resource protection and public safety.
- (d) Organized private, commercial, governmental, or non-profit groups shall obtain a Group Climbing Permit prior to the activity. Application for a Group Climbing Permit shall be made as provided by Rule .0104 of this Subchapter.
- (e) Violation of the terms and conditions of a permit issued in accordance with this Section is prohibited and shall result in the revocation of the permit.

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