



Girlguiding UK

Blackland Farm

girls in the lead

Conditions of use for the Crate Challenge

1. Instructors wishing to run the Crate Challenge must be suitably trained and assessed. It is the responsibility of the organisation hiring the crate challenge to ensure the quality of their instructors' training/assessment. Examples of suitable qualifications include:
 - the Mountain Leader Training (MLT) Single Pitch Award
 - Girlguiding UK's Climbing Scheme Level 1 with additional training and assessment
 - high ropes specific training/assessment run or monitored by an MIA.
2. There is no minimum/maximum age for use of the Crate Challenge, but all participants must wear a sit harness in conjunction with a chest harness, OR use a full body harness. We suggest seven years old as a guideline for minimum suitable age.
3. Participants on the crates must be belayed using the ground anchors as a 'semi-direct' belay, ie the belayer must be connected in the system to back up the ground anchor.
4. Everyone inside the compound must wear a helmet during the activity.
5. Participants must be given a safety briefing about the dangers of falling crates. This must be repeated throughout the session as necessary. Crates may be stacked to a maximum of 20 high.
6. There should be no slack in the belay system - this will prevent excessive shock loading of the system when the crates fall.
7. Any damaged or missing equipment must immediately be reported to the office.
8. Employees of Girlguiding UK may suggest or insist on alternative techniques or styles.
9. Girlguiding UK accepts no responsibility for damage or injury resulting from use of the Crate Challenge or any of its components unless proven negligent.

Group

Leader's name

Organisation

I have read and understood these conditions and agree to comply with them.

Signed Date.....

Qualification seen by

Signed Date