



Course / Student Agreement and Understanding

**“Authorized Person - Climber” “Authorized Rescuer”
“Advanced Authorized Person - Climber” “Advanced Authorized Rescuer”
“Competent Person - Climber” “Competent Rescuer”
Tower / Structure Climbing Safety and Rescue**

Listed in this student agreement and understanding is information to clarify what is required, expected, allowed, and what will be received during our *Technical Rescue Systems* training courses.

Course Title – “Authorized Person” – “Authorized Climber” “Authorized Climber Rescuer” “Advanced Authorized Person - Climber” “Advanced Authorized Rescuer” “Competent Person” / “Competent Climber” “Competent Climber Rescuer” – All training follows, meets and exceeds OSHA 1910.268 – ANSI Z 359.2 – *NATE CTS as they pertain to the national standards.

**Some NATE CTS definitions – specifically, but not limited to: Competent Climber – may be interpreted differently than some OSHA and ANSI standards.*

**** NATE CTS (As per NATE - Competent Climber / Rescuer requires minimum 90 days documented tower climbs) Industry Standards as it pertains to Competent Climber / Rescuer.*

At Successful Completion - Students will receive a certificate of successful completion including Course title, student name, course date, listed national standards, expiration date, instructor’s signature. Professional Student photo ID card. Professionally authored and bound course manual. “Personal Personnel File Folder” for the required documentation. Copies of the required documentation will be given to the student, employer as well as copies kept by TRS as per OSHA and ANSI Z 490 standard.

Typical Course Lengths:

- 1 Day – 8 hours of training = “Refresher” – “Authorized Person”
- 2 Day - 16 hours of training = “Authorized Person - Climber” “Authorized Climber Rescuer”
- 3 Day – 24 hours of training = “Advanced Authorized Person - Climber” “Advanced Authorized Rescuer” (if “Competent Climber / Rescuer” requirements are met) “Competent Person / Climber and Competent Rescuer”.
- 4 Day – 32 hours of training = “Customized Climber/ Rescuer / Fall Protection / Rigging”.
- 5 Day – 40 hours of training = “Customized Advanced Climber/ Rescuer / Fall Protection / Rigging”.

Typical Course Student Limit – 6 (Additional dates can be arranged to accommodate more than 6 students). Student instructor ratio is 6:1. Course size can be 3 to 6 students.

Setting Up Training Dates – Due to the increased training demands and quality of TRS courses it is imperative we confirm the training dates. A 50% deposit or Purchase Order Number is required to hold and secure training dates.

Once Course and Training Dates are Confirmed - A course contact person will be established and logistical correspondence will begin.

Payment Options / Terms - Technical Rescue Systems asks 100% payment be received within 2 weeks of scheduled course date.

Course Cancellation Policy:

Courses cancelled within 4 weeks of class date, 40% of the course tuition will be refunded.

Courses cancelled within 3 weeks of class date, 30% of the course tuition will be refunded.

Courses cancelled within 2 weeks of class date, 20% of the course tuition will be refunded. Courses cancelled within 1 week of class date, no refund available.

Payment by: Check, Direct Bank Deposit, *PayPal, *VISA, *MasterCard, *American Express and *Discover. (*up to a 3% card fee may be applied)

Note: In some circumstances, organizations have specific payment plans that will be reviewed on a case-by-case situation.

All students MUST speak, understand and write English - Due to the national standard requirements of the climbing proficiencies, rescue scenario and written test, it is imperative each student understand and “prove” knowledge. (With the understanding the instructor and student are actually on the communication tower at height, for the safety of all involved, it does not allow for a third party translator to be an option. The interpretation of vital technical information is imperative to be correctly translated).

Course Observers – Due to the learning and teaching environment being very personal, focused and intense hands-on, it has been determined to not allow course observers.

Physical Abilities – All students will be required to pass a physical climbing proficiency test. Training will not exceed 60’. In some cases students may find

acrophobia to be an “emotional test”. TRS will create a learning environment to assist in the understanding and knowledge of this “real anxiety”.

Testing – All “climbing and rescue” students will be required to successfully pass testing in:

- *Physical Climbing Proficiency*
- *Fall Protection Equipment Inspection and Logging*
- *Climbing Safety Procedures and Documentation Requirements*
- *Pre Job Briefing Requirements, Documentation and Understanding*
- *Rescue and Emergency Response Scenario Proficiency*
- *Written Cognitive Test*

What students need to bring – Clothing appropriate for climbing and weather. (No Shorts) Sturdy shoes or boots are highly recommended. Students are welcome to bring any fall protection equipment they have. Including, but not limited to: Harness – Fall Protection Lanyards – Positioning strap – Helmet – Gloves – Climbing Boots – “Climb Assist” cable or rope grab - Rescue Equipment – Lifelines. Note: All PPE equipment the students bring will be subjected to inspection and approval for use by a trained TRS PPE inspector.

If students do not have any equipment, TRS will provide all that is needed.

Equipment Sales

For years Technical Rescue Systems maintained the philosophy of not selling equipment in regard for appearing to be sponsored or sanctioned by any one equipment company, *however*, after training 1000’s of students there was a consistent inquiry that the students / companies have the need for high quality fall protection and rescue equipment. We have always allowed climbers to train using their own equipment (that passes our TRS trainers inspection) and/or we offer students the use of many different high quality brands of equipment available at our training site.

As of January 2014 Technical Rescue Systems has coordinated efforts and agreements with several vendors. We now are able to offer a large amount of high quality personal protective, fall protection and rescue equipment to our students and clients at a discounted rate.

OSHA Requires training in CPR and basic first aid... OSHA 1910.268 requires that to be a “Authorized - Competent Person / Climber” you must have CPR and First Aid. TRS does have several training companies that we refer which offers this training. Contact TRS and we will provide the referral information. If advanced notice is given we can contact these training companies to possibly align the training date a day before or after our TRS training date.

I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and I agree to its terms.

Signature of Participant: _____

Print Name: _____

Company Name (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Today's Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Phone: _____

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