

## **Gear Borrowing – Terms & Conditions**

By borrowing any equipment from **Cork Climbing Club**, the borrower agrees to the following terms and conditions.

### **1. Use at Own Risk**

Climbing and mountaineering activities are **inherently dangerous**.

All equipment is borrowed and used **entirely at the borrower's own risk**.

Cork Climbing Club, its officers, and members accept **no responsibility or liability** for any injury, loss, damage, or death arising from the use or misuse of borrowed equipment.

### **2. Responsibility to Inspect Equipment**

The borrower is **fully responsible** for inspecting all borrowed equipment **before each use**.

This includes checking for:

- Wear, cracks, deformation, corrosion, or other damage
- Correct function of moving parts
- Suitability for the intended use

If any item appears unsafe, questionable, or unfamiliar, it **must not be used**.

### **3. Competence and Suitability**

The borrower confirms that they:

Are **competent and experienced** in the use of the equipment, or Have received appropriate instruction and supervision

The club makes **no guarantee** that any item is suitable for a particular climb, route, or environment.

### **4. Reporting Damage, Falls, or Incidents**

The borrower must **immediately inform a club officer** if:

- Equipment is damaged or suspected to be damaged
- Equipment is involved in a fall, shock load, or unusual stress
- Equipment is lost or stolen

Damaged or suspect equipment must **not** be returned to circulation without being clearly reported.

## **5. Care and Proper Use**

Borrowed equipment must:

- Be used **only for its intended purpose**
- Be used in accordance with manufacturer guidance and accepted climbing practice
- Not be modified, repaired, or altered
- Be kept as clean and dry as reasonably possible

## **6. Return of Equipment**

Equipment must be returned:

On time Clean and dry where practicable, In the condition it was borrowed, allowing for reasonable wear

Failure to return equipment may result in suspension of borrowing privileges.

## **7. Loss or Damage Costs**

If equipment is lost, stolen, or damaged due to negligence or misuse, the borrower may be required to cover **repair or replacement costs**.

## **8. No Warranty**

All equipment is loaned **“as is”**, with no warranty, express or implied, regarding condition, safety, or fitness for purpose.

## **9. Acceptance of Terms**

By borrowing equipment from Cork Climbing Club, the borrower confirms that they:

Have read and understood these terms. Accept full responsibility for their actions.  
Agree to comply with all club safety rules and guidance