

General Requirements by the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation for organizing Hiking or Rock climbing activities in Saudi Arabia by Tour Operators

Hiking

- Commercial entities, such as Tour Operators and Resorts, must hire a hiking Guide with a valid “Hiking Guide” License by the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation.
- Tour operator must check the validity of the license by visiting www.climbing.sa
- Tour operator is responsible for issuing all permits for each hiking activity for hiking guide and participants.
- Each Hiking Guide cannot lead more than **20 participants** in every hiking activity.
- Tour operator must have all the necessary medical and personal information of all participants.
- Tour operator must not do any hiking activities on any private land, nature reserve or a historical location.
- Tour operator must make sure that the hired Hiking Guide follows all the guidelines and regulations set by the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation.
- Tour operator does not have the right to issue any type of certification without a written consent of the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation.

Rock Climbing

- Tour operator must hire a climbing instructor with a valid “Outdoor Climbing Instructor” License by the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation.
- Tour operator must check the validity of the license by visiting www.climbing.sa
- Tour operator is responsible for issuing all permits for each climbing activity for instructor and all participants.
- Tour operator must have all the necessary medical and personal information of all participants.
- Tour operator must not do any climbing activities on any private land, nature reserve or a historical location. Climbing locations are available on www.climbing.sa
- Tour operator must make sure that the hired Outdoor Climbing Instructor follows all the guidelines and regulations set by the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation.
- Tour operator does not have the right to issue any type of certification without a written consent of the Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation.

Climbing Equipment

- All rock climbing equipment must match the requirements of the UIAA.
- If the Climbing Equipment will be provided by the tour operator, The tour operator must have a “logbook” of all climbing equipment maintenance dates and the how many times have the equipment have been maintained. Please check the maintenance guidebook that comes with the equipment.
- The Saudi Climbing and Hiking Federation or any of its employee have the right to ask for the Logbook at any time.