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**Amusement Device Notice October 25, 2021  
Climbing Wall 'Exemption' Clarification**

The Amusement Device Unit is providing additional clarification as to what type of '**Climbing Walls**' are '**Exempt**' in accordance with Tennessee Law (see below).

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Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-121-101 (2017)

**68-121-101. Chapter definitions.**

**(C)** "Amusement device" does not include the following:

**(xvi)** Climbing walls; and

The Amusement Device Unit '**Exempts**' typical Climbing Walls that are artificially constructed with holds for hands and feet (see examples below).



The Amusement Device Unit '**Does Not Exempt**' non-typical Climbing Towers or Walls that are found in 'Tough Man/Woman' type competition courses, various 'Camps' and 'Challenge Courses' as well as 'Climbing Pole' type devices (see examples below).



The department's goal is to verify that all amusement devices can be safely operated.

Thank you for your cooperation.

<https://www.tn.gov/workforce/employers/safety---health/regulations-compliance/regulations---compliance-redirect/amusement-devices.html>

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