## USA Climbing Training Center Access Protocol



Where Olympic Journeys Begin

The USA Climbing National Team Training Center is designed and intended for elite and developing athletes to train for international competition. The High Performance Staff strive to provide these athletes a training space with appropriate developmental and training tools/terrain for these high competitive goals. The High Performance Staff also aim to provide an environment in the Training Center which allows athletes who are actively training for elite level competition to have the challenge and comfort of training with athletes who share similar goals and training needs.

\*Session participation will be prioritized by tier and session capacity may be limited by USA Climbing

Training Center Access Tiers:

- Unpaid/unlimited- Tier 1 -
  - National Team athletes
    - Olympic, Para, Elite, Collegiate
- Unpaid/unlimited- Tier 2-
  - Para / Elite WC Eligible, Youth National Teams
    - WC Eligible Para, Top 16 in National Ranking Elite, Top 3 ranked Youth
- Paid/limited- Tier 3-
  - National Pool
    - Athletes who are actively training toward qualifying for National Team, demonstrate exceptional ability and drive, and rank within the top 10 (youth B/A/Jr) or top 30 (Elite) in the National Ranking
    - National Pool athletes should expect full participation in group sessions and may use the facility for their individual training during available sessions
    - Individual or personalized training from coaching staff will be limited by availability and scheduling
    - Athletes in this group are required to complete and submit an application to USA Climbing High Performance staff
- Athletes who do not qualify for tier 3 who wish to be granted a sport performance based exception, will need to complete and submit an application to USA Climbing High Performance staff outlining their exceptional circumstance

- Youth C/D
  - Access will be provided annually in the form of youth specific training camps
  - These will be limited to the top 10 nationally ranked athletes in each discipline
  - Athletes not ranked within the top 10, wishing to be granted a sport performance based exception, will need to complete and submit an application to USA Climbing High Performance staff
- Pricing
  - \$20/day
  - \$50/week
  - \$100/month

USA Climbing may extend invitations to international or domestic athletes who have demonstrated exceptional international performance and whose participation in sessions/events would benefit the training of US athletes. These athletes will be invited under the discretion of the VP of Sport in consultation with High Performance staff and based on past performance in the following criteria;

- Olympic qualified
- World Cup gold medalist
- World Cup finalist
- Consistent World Cup semifinalist
- International athlete visiting via coordination with National Federations