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NEW JERSEY POSTS PROPOSED RULES FOR CLIMBING WALLS

Boulder, Colorado, 08/07/2007 – The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) published draft regulations specific to rock climbing walls located or operated within amusement parks. The draft regulations specifically cited conformity with the New Jersey Rock Gym case and excluded all stand alone rock climbing walls and gyms in the state for the time being.

However, there are still potentially troublesome issues with the proposed regulatory language. The NJDCA has posted proposed rules on its web site and has invited public review and comment. The notice of rule proposals can be found here:

<http://www.state.nj.us/dca/codes/ruleproposals/index.shtml>. The document pertaining to climbing walls can be found here:

http://www.state.nj.us/dca/codes/ruleproposals/prop_rock_walls.pdf. Comments on these proposed rules must be submitted in writing by August 31st, 2007.

We encourage all climbing wall manufacturers, all climbing equipment manufacturers, and climbing wall operators in New Jersey to review and comment on the proposed rules. The CWA believes these proposed rules may have potentially negative economic, employment, and legal impacts on the recreational climbing industry as well as the amusement industry.

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