

ROPETECH Seilpark Berne

The Bern Rope Park is located in the middle of the natural tree population of the Bernese Dählhölzli Forest. Seven courses lead through the forest at a height of 4 to 23 metres and offer a unique adventure. For the youngest there are also three children's courses. Due to the different levels of difficulty, there is a course for everyone that suits their own preferences and possibilities. The mixture of special nature experience, thrills and exercise guarantees an unforgettable experience in the Bern Rope Park. Suspension bridges and cable cars lead through the forest over around 120 platforms. With about 3000 metres of active route, the Bern Rope Park is one of the largest in Switzerland. Thanks to the communicating safety system Clic-it secured with carabiners at all times, the bridges of varying difficulty are crossed and countless cable cars are used.

1. Directions

The Bern Rope Park is located at Thunplatz in Berne at the entrance to the Dählhölzli forest.

Public transport

Arriving by public transport is recommended. Lines 7 (towards Ostring) and 8 (towards Saali), as well as 19 (towards Elfenau) and 28 (towards Wankdorf) regularly serve the Thunplatz stop. It can be reached in about ten minutes from Berne train station. The rope park is 100 meters away.

Car

After leaving the Bern Ostring motorway exit, you will reach the Burgernziel roundabout after 320 metres. After 550 metres in the direction of the centre, you will reach Thunplatz (tram, bus station, island). Leave the roundabout at the fifth exit and turn into a parking zone. At the end of it is the Bern Rope Park. With the navigation system you can find us at the following address: Thunplatz 17, 3006 Bern.



Parking

There are limited parking spaces available at the park entrance or in the surrounding area (blue zone).



2. Opening hours

Due to strong winds or thunderstorms, the Bern Rope Park can be closed at any time. In case of doubt, the current parking status can www.ropetech.ch be viewed on our website. In addition, the following opening hours apply:

March 21 to April 3 Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

4 April to 11 October Daily 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

12 October to 15 November Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

The last check-in is possible up to 2 hours before the park closes. Subject to change.

3. Prices

Individuals

Children's course (up to max. 40kg) CHF 32.00

Children < 16 years CHF 32.00

Apprentices, students, AHV CHF 37.00

Adults CHF 42.00

Season tickets

Season ticket children's course CHF 184.00

Season ticket children < 16 years CHF 184.00

Season ticket for apprentices, students, AHV CHF 214.00

Season ticket adults CHF 240.00

Season tickets are non-transferable. Cardholders must be able to identify themselves when visiting the park.

Families

From 3 people with at least 1 child CHF 3.00 discount per person

Groups / Schools / Scouts

Groups of ten or more people must pre-register online at www.ropetech.ch. From a group size of ten people, a 10% discount on park admission is granted. Registered school classes or scouts receive a 20% discount on park admission. Prices are subject to change.

Minors must bring written consent from a parent or legal guardian. The consent form for legal guardians can be found in the attachment or on www.ropetech.ch under Documents. E-mail address for questions or suggestions: info@ropetech.ch

4. Parking rules

General

Parking Rules/Instructions

All park visitors must have understood and accepted all park rules before walking the course. The instructions of the ROPETECH staff and the signage on the park grounds must be followed. Violations may result in exclusion from the park.

Risks



Climbing the rope park involves certain risks. Clothes can get dirty or damaged, and pressure points from climbing harnesses can occur. Abrasions and minor injuries can occur when climbing. All park visitors must always secure themselves with the correct means of safety, otherwise there is a risk of falls, which can have serious consequences of injury. If the parking rules are strictly followed, these risks are reduced to a minimum.

Responsibility

Visitors to the park walk the courses independently and at their own risk. Visitors who put themselves or others in danger will be excluded from the park.

Insurance and liability

Insurance is the responsibility of the participants. They must ensure that their health and accident insurance covers sufficiently.

Legal

Swiss law applies in any case. The place of jurisdiction is Bern.

Admission

The entrance fee includes the use of the equipment for a maximum of four hours, the introduction, the supervision by the park staff and the inspection of the corresponding system (self-belay or children's course).

Belay equipment

Without complete safety equipment, walking on the rope park is prohibited. It is mandatory to use the equipment provided by ROPETECH. It is strictly forbidden to leave the equipment unattended, to take it off during use or to pass it on to third parties. If the equipment is taken off to go to the toilet, for example, the correct fit must be checked by the park staff before the next course inspection.

Mind-altering substances

Walking on the courses under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication is prohibited.

Waste

It is forbidden to throw objects or any form of waste on the ground. For this reason, smoking as well as eating and drinking on the course is prohibited.

Playground

The playground is not supervised by the ROPETECH team and may only be used under the supervision of an adult. In any case, use is at your own risk.

5. Conditions for the inspection

General conditions

Footwear / Clothing

To walk the course, sneakers or hiking shoes and trousers (no skirts) must be worn. Wearing scarves and thick jackets is not recommended.

Long hair



Visitors with long hair must wear a hairnet or tie their hair for safety reasons (rope pulleys).

Loose items

Loose objects that could fall off while walking the course must be put down or secured accordingly. If necessary, the park staff can be asked for a sling.

Maximum body weight

The maximum weight allowed for guests is 120 kg (240 pounds, 18 stone, 265 lb) for the self-belaying courses and 40 kg (80 pounds, 6 stone, 88 lb) for the children's courses.

Children under 18 years of age

Children under the age of 18 must have the consent of a parent or guardian before entering the course.

Choice of courses

Children from 4 years of age up to a maximum of 40 kg walk the children's courses A to C. Persons from 8 years of age walk the self-belaying courses 1 to 7. Before entering the park, children from 8 years old and up to 40 kg must decide which course they want to walk, as different equipment is used.

Self-belay course 1 to 7

Test and practice course

Before entering the course, all visitors must complete the theoretical test and the practice course at least once a year without making any mistakes.

Accompaniment

Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult (maximum 4 children per adult). If no accompanying person is available, ROPETECH will provide an accompanying person to accompany the child if possible (prior request required) and for an additional charge.

Partnercheck

The self-belaying courses must not be walked alone. The partner check, which refers to the mutual control of two visitors before and during the inspection of the courses, is used. The partner check consists of a visual check and, where necessary, an additional check by hand.

Gripping height

The minimum gripping height required for the inspection of courses 1 & 2 is 140 cm, for the other courses 170 cm. The minimum gripping height is measured with outstretched arms.

Age regulations

Children from the age of 8 are allowed to walk all self-belay courses. A minimum age of 10 years is recommended for the inspection of courses 3-5 and a minimum age of 12 years for courses 6 and 7.

Children's course A to C

Preparation

To inspect the children's course, the appropriate instruction must be completed and the test track must be walked.

Gripping height

The minimum gripping height required for the children's course is 100 cm. The minimum gripping height is measured with outstretched arms.

Age regulations

The children's courses with a continuous safety system may be walked by children from 4 years of age up to a maximum of 40 kg.

Supervision

Each child must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

6. Behaviour in the rope park

Self-belay course 1 to 7

Always secured

On the course, at least one carabiner must always be hooked into the safety rope. Under no circumstances may park visitors ever be unsecured on the course.

Fixed direction of ascent

The courses may only be walked in one direction. *The footbridges/cable cars may not be walked backwards.*

What to do when blocked

In the event of a blockage due to fear or technical problems, the first thing to do is to ensure that affected persons are correctly secured. After that, the park staff is alerted (by means of an alarm button, by calling or via a third party). In any case, the correct securing must be maintained until help arrives.

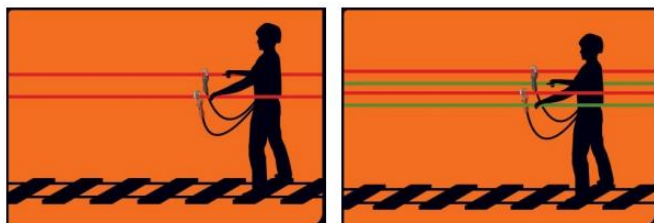
Platforms

A maximum of 3 people are allowed on the small platforms. A maximum of 10 people are allowed on the large collection platform (first platform of courses 1 and 2). On the platforms, you hang one *carabiner* after the other in the *bridging slings* marked in red.



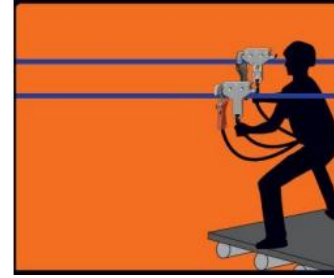
Connecting bars

The connecting walkways may only be walked on by one person at a time. Any form of rocking by seesawing or jumping loads is strictly prohibited. On footbridges, the *carabiners* are hung in the *red ropes*. If available, stick to the green ropes, otherwise also to the red ropes.



Cable cars

Before hooking into the cable cars, the ropes must be free in the finish area. When hooking into a cable car, *the two carabiners are first hooked into the cable car cables, then the rollers are hooked behind the carabiners.* Finally, the *carabiners are fixed to the rope pulleys.* Depending on the body weight and the position when driving on the cable car, it may happen that light people do not reach the target platform. In this case, the person turns against the direction of travel and pulls himself with his hands to the target platform. The *rope pulleys* are hooked *into the blue marked ropes.*



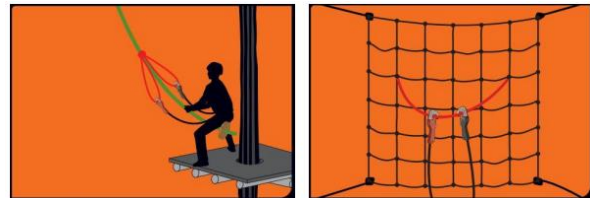
Ascents and descents

For ascents and descents as well as for special elements, one *carabiner* after the other is hooked into the *ascent protection.* In addition, the carabiner of the ascent safety device is hooked into the green rope loop of the climbing harness. After walking on the element, hang one carabiner after the other in the bridging sling marked in red.



Liana

With the vine, one *carabiner* after the other is hooked into the *red marked safety loops* of the vine. The liana swing ends in a climbing net, which must be held firmly with both hands. Now one *carabiner* after the other is hung into a *safety rope marked in red.* After that, the liana can be released. Then first the *safety loops are pulled in,* then one *carabiner* after the other is *hooked into the red marked safety loops.*



Children's course A to C

Always secured

The children's courses are equipped with a continuous safety system. At the beginning of the inspection, the follower is driven onto the safety cable, after which the entire course can be walked without having to put on safety equipment. The direction of inspection must be observed.

What to do when blocked

In the event of a blockage, the park staff will be alerted (by means of an alarm column or by the accompanying person or a third party). Under no circumstances may children be brought from the course to the ground themselves.

Platforms / Elements

Only one child may be on each element at a time. Two children are allowed to be on the platforms at the same time. Children should test their speed on the elements (esp. cable cars) to their size, weight and capabilities.

7. Questions or ambiguities

Please contact us if you have any questions. We will be happy to answer your questions!



Consent

The signatory (legal guardian) hereby confirms that children or young people (up to 18 years of age) listed below may visit the Ropetech Rope Park Bern. The undersigned further confirms that he/she has taken knowledge of the risks of visiting the park and that he/she has read, understood and accepted the general terms and conditions.

Parent or guardian:

First name, surname	Date of birth

Participating children and adolescents:

First name, surname	Date of birth

Risk warning

Climbing the courses involves certain risks, clothes can be soiled or damaged, abrasions can occur in the event of falls or pressure points from climbing harnesses can occur. Park visitors must always secure themselves with carabiners or rollers, otherwise there is a risk of falls and, in extreme cases, death. If the parking rules are strictly followed, these risks are reduced to a minimum.

Date:

Signature:

* The following persons are considered to be legal guardians:

- Parents
- Guardian
- Teachers
- Principal of a camp