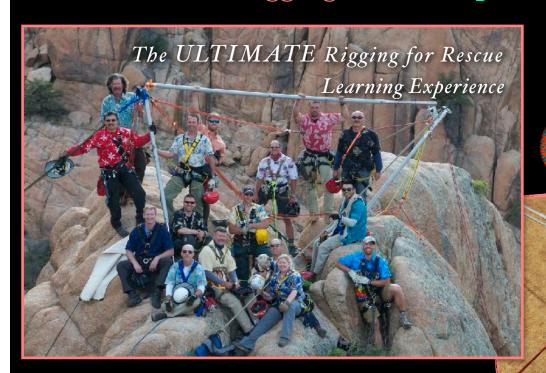
RTR Program Information

All About the rigging school, Ropes That Rescue

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"The ART of Clean Rigging" -

Based in mountainous northern Arizona near Sedona, RTR is a small comprehensive rope rigging school that operates teaching programs in both the USA/Canada, Japan, UK and Australia/New Zealand. Riggers from all over the world, including professionals from many different work disciplines such as industrial emergency teams for mines, wilderness and mountain search & rescue teams and emergency fire and medical services, attend extensive RTR workshops and seminars to learn not only what to do in rope rescue, but also why to do it. This philosophy of teaching students practical rigging principles with understanding and simplicity is what makes RTR a well-known and highly respected school.

At RTR, all students train beyond the norm found elsewhere. Once a year, RTR offers a seven day Advanced Anchoring Analysis and physics seminar ("Beyond The Barn Floor") where mathematics is used to solve rigging problems. Technical rope access methods are taught using a variety of media. The slideshows presented at RTR are state-of-the-art. Lectures on rigging and physics are comprehensive yet easily understood. Student manuals are well-written and contain volumes of information, photographs and diagrams. And, finally, students spend hours gaining hands-on practice and experience. Learning how and understanding why guided by critical thinking are the hallmarks of RTR instruction.

RTR also leads the way in specialized electric power transmission tower rescue and rope access where linemen are found in both vertical and horizontal predicaments (right). The energized line rescue programs at RTR have been featured on the History Channel's Suicide Missions: **High Voltage (2000)**

You are invited to attend a small school where your name is remembered and your questions answered by a well-seasoned and knowledgable instructor. Make your plans to attend one of many RTR open enrollment programs anywhere in the world.

Registering for an Open Enrollment Program -

U.S.A. programs

See the "Open" Enrollment Schedule at www.ropesthatrescue.com. Note the DATE at the top of that Schedule as it changes often during the year - often weekly. A class you are registering for may have been changed in some way so before registering make sure you are looking at the MOST CURRENT schedule.

Then, to register for an open enrollment RTR program, print the 3 page <u>RTR Application</u> and completely fill out and return to us (mail, fax or email) at the address /fax/email at the Application top. Bring the original with you to class.

For registration more than 30 days before the beginning of the program, your application must be accompanied by a minimum 50% deposit. For registration less than 30 days before the beginning of the program, full payment is required. Full payment is due within 30 days of the start for all programs. Students who do not make their full payment within 30 days of the start of class will be removed from the registered roster and placed on the waiting list. RTR accepts checks, and credit cards (Visa , AMEX and MC). Call the office if you wish to use a government purchase order. Be sure to read and understand the cancellation terms on the application.

Page 3 of the <u>RTR application</u> contains the all-important <u>Participation Agreement</u>, <u>Release & Assumption of Risk</u> document. Completely read through it and understand the risks of the program you are taking. On the first day of the program, an updated version of this document will be discussed openly with the students and will also need to be signed in the instructors presence. Those then will be collected by the instructor.

NOTE: All programs end by 5pm on the final day. The final day is always HAWAIIAN SHIRT DAY so do not forget to have one with you! We normally DO NOT get out early so plan on staying late the final day. We do not recommend driving on the final day as you will be tired.

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AUSTRALIA / CANADA / JAPAN / UK programs

Contact the course liaison on the "Open" Enrollment Schedule for logistic, location, and tuition costs.

Last Minute Program Status:

If you want up to the minute availability, or wish to be placed on the "Waiting List," contact us at info@ropesthatrescue.com or you can simply call our office at (928) 282-7299 during regular business hours (Mountain Standard Time). Remember that Arizona is only one of two states that do not implement DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME.

Cancellations and Refund Policy: (from the Application)

If you cancel not later than two months before the course start date, you will receive a full refund. If you cancel not later than one month before the start of the course, ROPES THAT RESCUE, Ltd. will retain 10% of the total course fee, and the balance shall be refunded to you. If you cancel within 30 days of the beginning of the course, you will not receive any refund, unless a replacement can be found. If a replacement can be found, ROPES THAT RESCUE, Ltd. will retain an amount equal to 20% of the total course fee, and the balance shall be refunded to you. If for any reason, ROPES THAT RESCUE, Ltd. has to cancel a course, you will receive a full refund. In the event of cancellation, ROPES THAT RESCUE, Ltd. will notify all registrants as early as possible, but assumes no liability for expenses incurred by the registrant up to the time of the course. Courses will not be canceled due to weather. Participants should be ready for any and all field conditions and are responsible for their own protection from weather or thermal-related insult or injury.

Waiting List:

A waiting list is kept in case of late cancellation prior to the required time. Notification of acceptance from the waiting list will be by phone call or your email, if you provide it on the RTR Application.

Adverse Weather:

All applicants are advised to bring foul weather gear to all Ropes That Rescue programs. Participants should be ready for all field conditions and are responsible—for their own protection from weather or thermal-related insult or injury. Programs will not be canceled due to weather. Participants are advised to bring tire chains along for their vehicle when snow conditions might be present.

Pandemics, Natural Disasters or Terrorist Attacks

Forced cancellations due to local or regional natural disasters (floods, forest fires, earthquake, volcanic activity, etc.) or terrorist attacks (including pandemic outbreak or germ warfare) are a risk everybody takes. ROPES THAT RESCUE, Ltd. assumes no liability for a particular program's untimely cancellation or disruption due to these uncontrolled events.

What to Bring

Personal gear

Where and what time of year you attend your RTR program should influence your choice of clothing and footwear. Think about clothing for hot or cold temperatures and adverse weather such as wind and rain. Many RTR programs require short hikes and working around loose rocks and cactus; a good pair of work boots are essential. Other items to consider putting in your pack are: a sun brim for your helmet, sunscreen, work gloves, water bottles or a hydration system, personal first aid kit, note pad, headlamp, whistle and toilet paper with spade to bury. Remember, along with your personal gear, you may need to carry team gear also so make sure your backpack has extra room. If you are purchasing, see the next page

Technical personal gear

At minimum, you need a climbing helmet and full body harness to participate in any RTR workshop (RTR seminars consist of lecture only and require no gear at all.) Each program requires specific equipment. Be sure to check the Required Equipment List for your program by following the link on the "Open Training" link on our Home page at www.ropesthatrescue.com.

Team gear

In all Arizona RTR programs, team gear is supplied. In other workshops in the USA or Canada, team gear is supplied by the hosting agency. However, some programs, like the Mountain Rescue Workshop (MRW), are dependent on team gear that students need to bring to the course. Climbing rope and rock protection are examples of team gear.

Where to Lodge

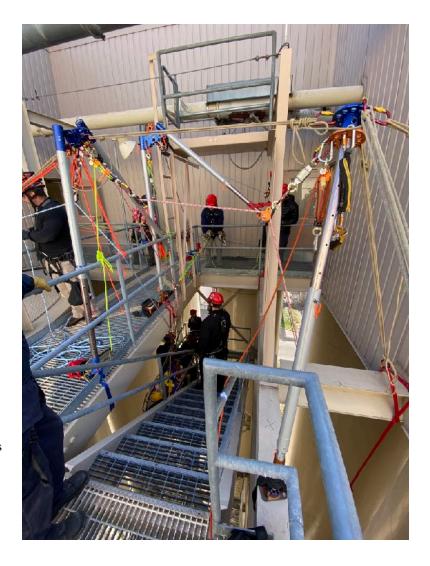
Each place we offer an RTR program has differing lodging possibilities. Some offer discounts for RTR students. If you have several students from the same agency, or sharing to save costs, look at obtaining a vacation rental property. On the "Open" Enrollment Schedule there are links that send you to various different INFO sheets on the area with lodging recommendations. You may also contact the Program Liaison for info on lodging/camping.

Personal Physical Condition:

It is our belief that persons involved in any form of rope rescue work should be in reasonable physical shape. Participants in RTR workshops should expect to remain physically active throughout the program and can expect these efforts to include (but are not limited to):

- Hiking with rope and equipment
- Climbing and down climbing with same
- · Pulling on rope for sustained periods
- Walking over uneven terrain
- Carrying heavy loads
- Other types of physical exertion

Many of the mountainous locations in RTR programs where we hold our practical sessions are far removed from the trail head and often involve a rigorous hike at elevations exceeding 5,000 feet. All hikes are less than a mile in length and on well-maintained trails.





Equipment for your RTR Program

Getting the gear together for the full participation in any RTR program can be a daunting task! Once you download the equipment list for the particular RTR program you are attending, getting the gear is easy with Arizona-based AHS Rescue. RTR does not sell gear—only knowledge. Consequently, we recommend ONLY the gear that works the best for YOU and YOUR team in YOUR environment. Some training companies sell you *THEIR* gear. Not at RTR. Our recommendations are based on *suitability* and *performance*. Nothing less.

AHS Rescue (Arizona) has teamed up with Ropes That Rescue Ltd. to provide our customers with a complete package; through this partnership, our clients can get the training, equipment and consulting they need without having to source each out separately. "There are no other companies better suited to assemble the vast array of information and gear for RTR clients than

AHS Rescue". Ask them about the special discounts all RTR clients receive on life safety, rescue and rope access equipment. When you order, make sure you mention you are buying for an RTR program! You can have delivery at your door or have it waiting for you at the RTR program meeting location! (AZ programs only)

AHS Rescue in Phoenix, Arizona

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