

UPDATE:

Mechanical Devices Approved for Stationary Rope Systems*

ISA seeks to offer the latest in innovation for climbing equipment and techniques while following a controlled process of formal review and approval. Because of this thorough review process, climbers can feel confident that systems and equipment approved at ITCC are safe for industry use. To that end, ISA would like to clarify the terms and approvals for stationary rope systems that stand as of today.

As outlined in Appendix 5 of the 2016 Rule Book (pg. 53), stationary rope systems are approved for use at the ITCC where event setup allows for stationary rope systems.

Although there are many rope adjustment devices available, the only devices that have been submitted, reviewed, and approved for use at the ITCC for stationary rope systems are the ISC Rope Wrench RP280, the Petzl RIG, and the Petzl I'D.

*Stationary Rope System: A fall protection system in which the rope adjustment device moves along a stationary working line.