

Research Grant Application Scoring Rubric

		Benefit to Rope Access	Proposal Clarity and Quality	Researcher Qualification
		<i>Do the research findings have the potential to benefit the industrial rope access community?</i>	<i>Is the proposal written in a manner that inspires confidence and demonstrates exceptional work ethic?</i>	<i>Can the researcher successfully complete the research and present the findings?</i>
Absolutely No	0	The research does not have even the slightest potential benefit to the rope access community.	The proposal is unintelligible.	The researcher has no experience in the subject areas and has no chance of completing the project.
Mostly No	1	The research may have some small benefit to the rope access community, or larger benefits that are unlikely to be achieved.	The proposal is poorly written and only a few general ideas of the research project may be discernible.	The researcher has little experience in the subject areas, and inspires little confidence in completing the project.
Slightly No	2	The research is beneficial to the rope access community, but in a non-substantial or unimportant manner.	The proposal is readable, but does not adequately describe the core focus and objective of the research in a manner that inspires confidence.	The researcher has some experience in the subject areas, but probably not enough to successfully complete the project.
Slightly Yes	3	The research is beneficial to the rope access community in a substantial manner.	The proposal is written clearly and adequately describes the core focus and objective of the research.	The researcher has some experience in the subject areas, likely enough to successfully complete the project.
Mostly Yes	4	The applicant explains why the research is needed and there is sufficient explanation of how the research will be utilized. The benefits may be clearly described but may not be fully achievable. The plan to perform the research is in sufficient detail and addresses the issues.	The proposal is mostly well written and describes the research project and objectives with some ambiguities or omissions.	The researcher has experience in most of the subject areas, and inspires confidence in completing the project.
Absolutely Yes	5	The applicant clearly identifies and fully articulates why the research is needed. There is thorough explanation of how the research will be utilized to address the issues. Other benefits to the community are described in detail. The plan to perform the research is fully explained and fully addresses the issues.	The proposal is well written, cohesive and thoroughly describes the research project and objectives with little to no ambiguity.	The researcher has experience in all subject areas and has a very high likelihood of completing and publishing/presenting the research.