

# learn to climb ICE

## 2012 AMC Boston Chapter Ice Climbing Program

### Course Description:

This program teaches waterfall ice climbing and technical mountaineering skills. We focus on the equipment, techniques, and practices that are useful on the mountains and crags of New England as well as ice climbing areas worldwide.

**Prospective students** should have rock climbing experience. Winter sport experience, like hiking or skiing, is important. You will get the most out of the class if you can lead trad rock, but leading experience is not required.

The program will begin with **two lectures**. Attendance at the first lecture is mandatory if you wish to be admitted to the program. The second lecture is for students accepted to the program and those on the wait list.

The **two weekends** of the program, which take place in New Hampshire, include two days of group instruction and two days seconding leaders on ice and mixed climbs, as well as workshops on steep ice technique.

**Cost of the program** is \$275 for AMC members and \$325 for non-members. The course fees cover the cost of lectures, two weekends' lodging in the White Mountains, Saturday night dinners, the use of ice tools and group gear, as well as instruction. Boots, crampons, as well as basic clothing and gear must be provided by the students (boots/crampons are typically rented). The program is run entirely by volunteers.

Apply for the program online and attend the first lecture for information and a mandatory belay test. There is an enrollment limit of 22 and admission can be competitive.

For more information visit  
<http://amcbostonclimbers.org/ice>

if you have questions email:  
[ice@amcbostonclimbers.org](mailto:ice@amcbostonclimbers.org)

### Schedule:

**Application opens online** Nov 1, 2011 (closes Dec 11th) via a link on the main page:  
<http://amcbostonclimbers.org/ice>

**Ice Climbing Lecture #1**, Mandatory for applicants. Meet instructors, learn about the course, and take a belay test. **Wednesday, December 7, 2011** Cabot Auditorium, AMC, 4 Joy Street, Boston 7:00PM.

**Ice Climbing Lecture #2**  
Open to accepted students and those on wait list. Discuss course logistics, gear and equipment, and enjoy a slide show. **Wednesday, January 4, 2012** Cabot Auditorium, AMC, 4 Joy Street, Boston 7:00PM.

**Ice Course Weekend #1**  
White Mountains, NH  
Saturday and Sunday, January 21-22, 2012

**Ice Course Weekend #2**  
White Mountains, NH  
Saturday and Sunday, February 4-5, 2012



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