

Takakkaw Falls Route

New Rappel Instructions

The rappel route traverses to climber's left a number of times to move away from the climbing line, away from loose rock ledges, position away from rock fall during the rope-pull and to minimize the walking traverses down low.

There is route-finding and traversing involved on rappel 2, which should be rappelled with great care and not attempted in wet weather or low-light conditions (the climbing line is a better choice then).

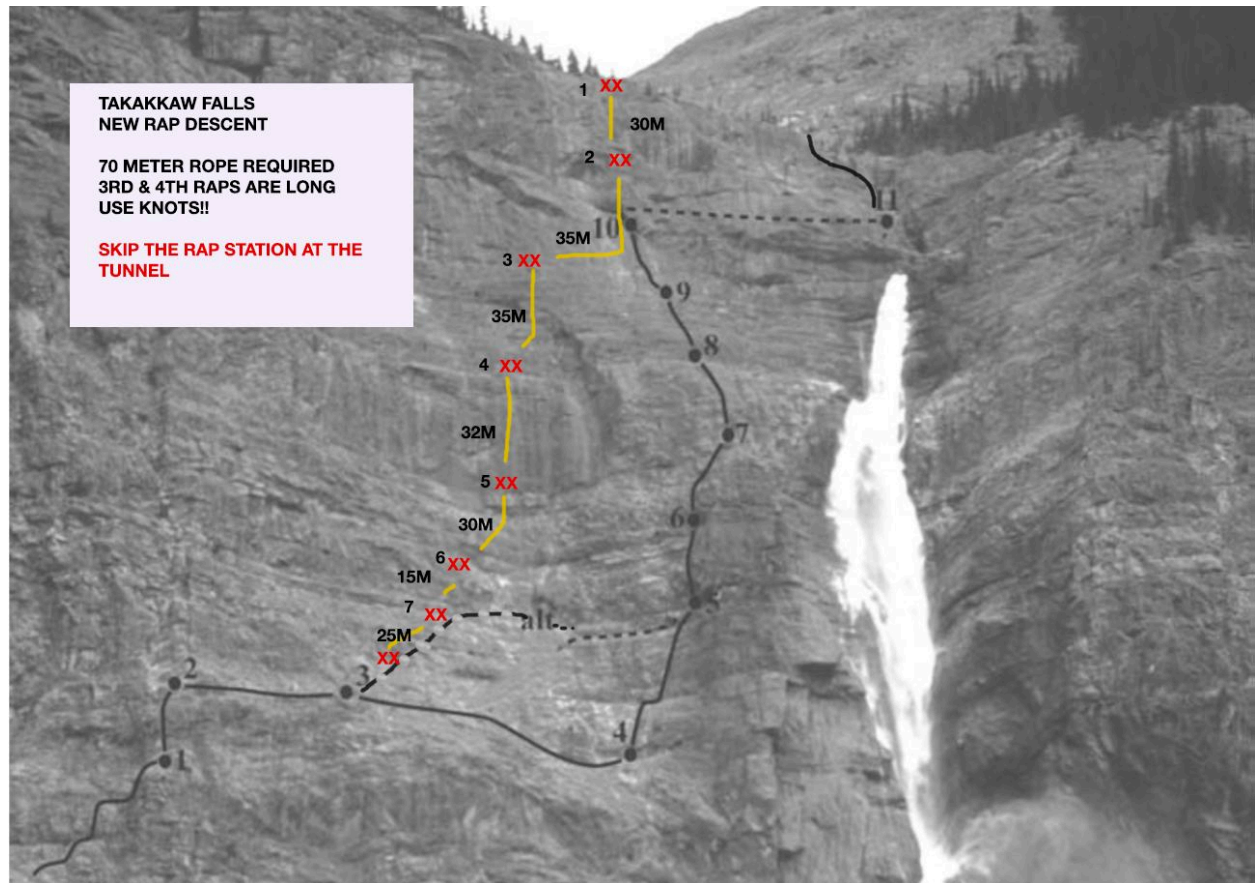
Teams with double ropes should not combine rappels until the more substantial diagonals are completed after rappel 3.

Directions:

1. Rappel from bolts by the cairn, stepping left to a chain station above the tunnel-entrance. 25 m
2. Rappel the fall line past the cave-entrance belay to the second of three grassy ledges. Walking traverse left (still on rappel) about 10 m to the chain station. 35 m required—**knot the ends!**

Note: the first rappeler should secure the bottom ends of the rappel ropes to the bottom station for the second (aka "J-Line") to ensure if the second has trouble, the first still has access to the rope. For a shorter rappel you can rap from the tunnel entrance to this station.

3. Diagonal rappel that bypasses large, loose ledges. 35 m—knot the ends! J-Line!
4. Steep rappel. 32 m
5. Slightly traversing rappel. 30 m
6. Rappel to join an alternative climbing line. 15 m
7. Rappel the fall line, and then traverse to the station. 25 m
8. Belay back along the traversing climbing line to the top of pitch 2. ~30 m
9. Rappel. 15 m
10. Rappel. 30 m



A higher resolution version of the topo can be downloaded here:
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