

# Recomomdation: Ice and Mixedclimbing E-Grading System

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The seriosity oft he climb make out by three main categories:

- I Kind and quality of protection
- II danger of injury during the lead
- III psycic demand of the climb

I protection			II Danger of injury			III psycic demand		
good 1	medium 2	bad 3	smal 1	medium 2	big 3	No fear 1	Fear	A lot of fear 3

Now you take a climbing route (pitch) and think about this points. It´s not about the climbing (technical grading) for this you have to use the franch or US, etc. gradingsystems.  
You come to a result and count the points together. Now you get a E- Graiding ( Demanding system of the climb)

6 Punkte					
3 Punkte=	4 Punkte=	5 Punkte=	7 Punkte=	8 Punkte=	9 Punkte=
E1	E2	E3	E4	E5	E6

E1: You have or can place good protections. Out of this you have a smal risk of injury, so you have no or not big fear = E1/2.

E5/6: You have no good protections, long rounouts or you can place only very bad protections. Out of this you have a high/ very high risk of injury during a fall, so you have big or very big fear = E5/6.

I give no E0 Grade because climbing is not 100% save! E1 is almost save,good placements nor rounouts or good pitons/ bolts. E6 is the sharp end! If you make a fall in an E6 you die.

### Example:

#### -White out M10 /E1

Lauterbrunnertal, CH

(It´s a tecnical difficult (M10) mixed climb „modern style“ with some bolts, little rounout to the top but you fly into the air, no risk!).

protection:

good = 1 Points

danger of injury:

small = 1 P

Psycic demanding oft he climb:

No fear = 1 P

⇒ 3 Punkte = E1

#### -Flying Circus M10/E4

Breitwangfluh, CH

(It´s a tecnical difficult (M10) mixed climb without bolts during the pitches but bolted belays.

Some bad placements/pitons and medium rounouts but a steep route,you fly mostly into the air, medium risk!).

protection:

medium = 2/3 Punkt

danger of injury:

Medium = 2 P

Psycic demanding oft he climb:

fear = 2 P

⇒ 6/7 P= E4

**-Betablock super W7/E6**

Breitwangfluh, CH

35 meter freestanding ice pillar, very dangerous, it breaks by it selve every winter onece or twice, only very bad ice, very bad protection on this ice!

Protection:

Bad= 3 Punkt

danger of injury:

big = 3 Points

Psycic demanding oft he climb:

big = 3 Punkt

⇒ 9 Punkte = E6

This is only a recomodation by Robert Jasper witch found already used by the swiss iceclimbing guide book, the German guiding associacion (ice and mixed climbing), and also some international climbers!