In accordance with Devils Tower National Monument’s Climbing Management Plan (CMP), the replacement of fixed anchors is allowed by permit. The CMP defines a fixed anchor as “permanently placed protection left in the rock, typically a bolt or a piton, intended to be permanently placed.” This includes bolts intended to protect a climb, during a lead, and includes bolts or pitons as anchors for use in belay/rappel stations.

**All applications MUST be approved by the Climbing Ranger or Chief Ranger before bolt replacement can begin. Call (307)467-5283 ext 632 or ext 636 to speak with a ranger.**

**Requirements include:**

1. All first time permit applicants must submit a bolting resume of past work completed AND speak with a ranger prior to permit approval.
2. All applicants must record which fixed anchors will be removed.
3. All applicants must submit a description of new hardware intended for replacement.
4. All new applicants must take before and after photos of replacement and submit to the Climbing or Chief Ranger.
5. New hardware can only be placed if old hardware is being removed.
6. Best practice is to reuse the old hole when safe to do so.
7. Holes that cannot be reused must be patched to resemble surrounding rock.
8. If the old hole cannot be re-used, new hardware must be placed within close proximity to the old hardware.
9. Power drills or hand drills are allowed.
10. All components of a bolt and hanger/chain must be made of stainless steel.
11. All components of a bolt and hanger/chain must be camouflaged with paint.
12. Absolutely no painting of the Tower surface—only touching up of paint on installed hardware.
13. The minimum length for a bolt is 3 inches.
14. The minimum diameter for a bolt is 3/8 inches. (1/2” recommended)
15. All components of a new bolt must be removable without damaging the Tower.

Please detail the routes and locations of the fixed anchors that you intend to replace:

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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, understand and agree to abide by permit terms and conditions.

(Printed name)

Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Chief Ranger or Climbing Ranger ONLY

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*Please complete contact information on backside of permit.*

**Contact Info for Anchor Replacement Permit:**

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