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1. Forms Overview

1.1 Scuba Diver Registration Form

Use this form for the following:

- 1. Open Water Scuba Diver
- 2. Junior Open Water Scuba Diver
- 3. Advanced Scuba Diver
- 4. Master Scuba Diver
- 5. Rescue Diver
- 6. Specialty (Remember to specify which specialty)

When using the student registration form, fax or scan and email to SDI Headquarters; the student cards will be returned in the mail.

Students can also be registered through the members' section of International Training Inc website.

When registering on-line the cards will be returned in the mail unless the facility has an in-store certification card printer. When using the instore certification card printer, certification cards are printed and issued immediately to the students. Part 6: SDI Forms

1.2 General Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Forms

Use this form to obtain the general liability release and assumption of risk from the students. Make sure to review the contents before starting on a course or specialty to ensure it has been completed and signed – including the signature of a witness.

Each course the student participates in requires a separate waiver release.

- 1. SDI General Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk for Teaching
- 2. SDI General Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk For Guided Scuba Tours for Certified Divers
- 3. SDI General Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk For Guided Snorkeling Tours
- 4. SDI General Liability Release And Express Assumption of Risk For Unguided and Unsupervised Boat Dives for Certified Divers
- 5. International Training General Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk For non-SCUBA courses
- 6. International Training Notice To The Minor Child's Natural Guardian

1.3 Notice To The Minor Child's Natural Guardian

Use this form when teaching or supervising minors in the US state of Florida. This release is used in conjunction with the appropriate liability release for the specified activity or course.

1.4 Specialty Upgrade Form for Assistant Instructors and Instructors

Use this form to file for specialty upgrades.

1.5 Open Water Global Referral Form

Use this form to when a student is traveling to another facility for the open water certification. The procedure is covered in Part 2 – SDI Diver Standards Section 6 Open Water Scuba Diver Standards.

1.6 Solo Release Form

Use this form as the Solo Diver Liability Release.

1.7 Accident / Incident Report Form

Use this form to file information regarding an accident or incident with SDI Headquarters.

1.8 Academic Presentation Form

Use this form when preparing for the academic portion of a class. An example of its usage can be found in the academic portion of the Open Water Instructor Manual.

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1.9 In-Water Presentation Form

Use this form when preparing for the confined portion of a class. An example of its usage can be found in the in-water portion of the SDI Open Water Scuba Diver Instructor Manual.

1.10 Member Update Form

Use this form when renewing if a membership or teaching status has lapsed after 2 years not teaching.

1.11 Dive Leader Application

Use this form to file for Divermaster, Assistant Instructor, and Open Water Scuba Diver Instructor ratings.

1.12 Medical Questionnaire and Physicians Sign Off

Use this form to obtain medical information for the students. Make sure to review the contents before starting on a course or specialty. Should the student mark yes to any item on the questionnaire, the Guidelines to the Physician and the Physician's Sign-off page are included in this form.

1.13 SDI JR Open Water Upgrade Form

Use this form when an individual who was originally certified as an SDI Open Water Scuba Diver, turns 15 and wishes to upgrade to an SDI Open Water Scuba Diver.

1.14 SDI Student Record Folder

Use this folder to document, and retain, all training records for an SDI Diver.

1.15 Divemaster Course Checklist

Use this form to track progress throughout the DM course

1.16 Assistant Instructor Course Checklist

Use this form to track progress throughout the AI course

1.17 Instructor Development Course (IDC) Instructor Evaluation Course (IEC) checklist

Use this form to track progress throughout an Instructor Development Course (IDC) or Instructor Evaluation Course (IEC)

1.18 Unique Specialty/Ops Course Application And Guidelines

Use this form to request for a Unique Specialty Instructor Upgrade



Scuba Diver Registration Form

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Method of Payment			
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☐ Specialty (Please specify):		☐ Rescue Diver	
☐ Advanced Scuba Diver (list four specialties below)		☐ Master Scuba Diver (list four specialties below)	
CERTIFICATION FEE: C-Card Only* C-Card and Certificate* (refer to current price list) All diver c-cards & certificates are sent directly to the facility or student			
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GENERAL LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Directions: Please read carefully, fill in all blanks and initial each paragraph before signing at bottom.

For	(specify Course or Specialty) training program under sanction
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I,	, hereby affirm that I have been advised and thoroughly informed of the inherent hazards of
scuba	a diving activities
	Further, I understand that diving with compressed air or oxygen enriched air (nitrox) involves certain inherent risks including decompression sickness, embolism, oxygen toxicity, inert gas narcosis, marine life injuries or other barotrauma/hyperbaric injuries can occur that require treatment in a recompression chamber. I further understand that the open water diving trips, which are necessary for training and certification, may be conducted at a site that is remote, either by time of distance or both, from such a recompression chamber. I still choose to proceed with such instructional dives in spite of the possible absence of a recompression chamber in proximity to the dive site. I understand and agree that neither my Instructor(s), International Training and Scuba Diving International, nor the officers, directors, shareholders, affiliated companies, employees, agents, or assigns of the above listed entities and/or individuals, nor the authors of any materials including texts and tables expressly used for training and certification (hereinafter referred to as "Released Parties") may be held liable or responsible in any way for any injury, death, or other damages to me or my family, heirs, or assigns that may occur as a result of my participation in this diving class or as a result of the negligence of any party, including the Released Parties, whether passive or active. In consideration of being allowed to enroll in this course, I hereby personally assume all risks in connection with said course, for any harm, injury, or damage that may befall me while I am enrolled as a student of this course, including all risks connected therewith, whether foreseen or unforeseen. I further agree to save, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless said course and Released Parties from any claim or lawsuit by me, anyone purporting to act on my behalf, my family, estate, heirs or assigns, arising directly or indirectly out of my enrollment and participation in this course including both claims arising during the course or
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For Guided Scuba Tours for Certified Divers Please read carefully, fill in all blanks and <u>initial each paragraph</u> before signing at bottom.

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		ble in any way for any injury, death, or other damages to me or my family, heirs, or assigns
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		nify, and hold harmless said Released Parties from any claim or lawsuit by me, anyone
		illy, estate, heirs or assigns, arising directly or indirectly out of my participation and diving
		this activity even if such claims may be groundless, false or fraudulent.
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For Guided Snorkeling Tours

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I,, hereby affirm that I have been advised and thoroughly informed of the inherent hazards of snorkeling activities and participation in a guided tour as a snorkeler.			
Further, I understand that snorkeling involves certain inherent risks including marine life injuries, drowning, slipping & falling on either a vessel or a beach entry point, possible hazards from other watercraft or vessels in the area or other barotrauma injuries such as ear or mask squeezes, etc. Such injuries can occur that may require treatment in a medical facility. I truther understand that snorkeling activities can be at remote sites, and isolated by time and distance, from such a medical facility. I still choose to proceed with such snorkeling activities in spite of the absence of a medical facility in proximity to the snorkeling site. I understand and agree that neither the instructor/guide			
IT IS THE INTENTION OF BY THIS INSTRUMENT TO EXEMPT AND RELEASE MY INSTRUCTORS DIVEMASTER/GUIDE, THE BUSINESS,), AND ALL OTHER RELATED ENTITIES AND RELEASED PARTIES AS DEFINED ABOVE, FROM ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH HOWEVER CAUSED, OR ARISING OUT OF, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE. I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK BY READING IT BEFORE SIGNING IT ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY HEIRS.			
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For Unguided and Unsupervised Boat Dives for Certified Divers

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activities and participation in a unguided unsupervised tour as a certified diver.	
Further, I understand that diving with compressed air, oxygen enriched air (Nitrox), and trimix supplied semi-closed circuit or closed circuit rebreathers involves certain inherent risks including decompression inert gas narcosis, hypoxia, hypercapnia, marine life injuries or other barotrauma or hyperbaric injuries treatment in a recompression chamber or medical facility. I further understand that dive activities can b and distance, from such a recompression chamber or medical facility. I still choose to proceed with such	n sickness, embolism, oxygen toxicity, . Such injuries can occur that require we at remote sites, and isolated by time
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For Non-SCUBA Courses Only (specify course) training program under sanction through International Training. , hereby affirm that I have been advised and thoroughly informed of the inherent hazards of service technician activities and participation in service technician courses. Further, I understand that working with pressurized cylinders, cleaning chemicals, sharp tools, fill stations and compressor systems involves certain inherent risks including, but not limited to, bodily injury, chemical burns, cuts, blunt trauma and back injury. Such injuries can occur that require treatment by a trained medical professional or medical facility. I further understand that these courses can be at remote sites, and isolated by time and distance, from such trained medical professional or medical facility. I still choose to proceed with such courses in spite of the absence of a trained medical professional or medical facility in proximity to the training location. I understand and agree that neither the instructor _ , nor any of the respective employees, officers, agents ___, or International Training. (hereinafter referred to as "Released Parties") may be held or assigns of _ liable or responsible in any way for any injury, death, or other damages to me or my estate, family, heirs, or assigns that may occur as a result of my participation in this activity or as a result of the negligence of any party, including the Released Parties, whether passive or active. În consideration of being allowed to participate in this activity I hereby personally assume all risks in connection with said activity, for any harm, injury, death or damage that may befall me while I am a participant including all risks connected therewith, whether foreseen or unforeseen. I further agree to save, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless said Released Parties from any claim or lawsuit by me, anyone purporting to act on my behalf, my family, estate, heirs or assigns, arising directly or indirectly out of my participation including claims arising during this activity even if such claims may be groundless, false or fraudulent. I also understand that service technician, cylinder inspection, and gas blending activities are physically strenuous and that I will be exerting myself and that if I am injured as a result of exertion, heart attack, panic, etc. that I expressly assume the risk of said injuries and that I will not hold the above listed individuals or companies responsible for the same, and I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless said Released Parties for any such injuries incurred by me. I understand that I may be required to furnish some of my own equipment and that I am responsible for its operating condition and maintenance. I understand that I may be supplied with certain items of service equipment and that I am responsible for reviewing its proper function and operating condition prior to using it. I further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this liability release, or that I have acquired the written consent of my parent or I am aware of the required certification level and/or experience necessary and recommended to enroll in this activity and I stipulate that I meet requirements for prior certification or equivalent experience. I agree that all terms of and any disputes relating to this agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida, USA. I agree that if I choose to breach this agreement by bringing a lawsuit or other claim for damages or injunctive relief of any kind, that the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any such matter. I further agree that I waive any right I may have to a trial by jury and any claim shall be brought no later than one (1) year from the date of accident, incident or occurrence upon which the lawsuit or other claim for relief is brought. I understand that the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital and that I have signed this document of my own free act. Further that I understand and agree that, in the event that one or more of the provisions of this agreement, for any reason, is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision or provisions had never been contained herein. IT IS THE INTENTION OF BY THIS INSTRUMENT TO EXEMPT AND RELEASE MY , AND ALL OTHER RELATED INSTRUCTORS, ASSISTANTS, THE BUSINESS, ENTITIES AND RELEASED PARTIES AS DEFINED ABOVE, FROM ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH HOWEVER CAUSED, OR ARISING OUT OF, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE. I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK BY READING IT BEFORE SIGNING IT ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY HEIRS. No alterations, changes, omissions or revisions may be made. Signature of Student/Participant_____ Signatures of Parents or Guardians (where applicable) Witness Signature









Who should fill out this Addendum and when should it be used:

- The Natural Guardian of any minor (under 18 years of age) at the start
 of a training course or supervised activity under the: Scuba Diving
 International, Technical Diving International, Performance Freediving
 International, or First Response Training International brands.
- 2. The Natural Guardian of a minor (under 18 years of age) participant in a training course or supervised activity taking place in the state of Florida.
- The Natural Guardian of any minor (under 18 years of age) at the start of a training course or supervised activity under the: Scuba Diving but is to be used in conjunction with.
 - 4. This Addendum must be completed, in conjunction with the applicable liability release form, prior to the start of any training or supervised activity involving a minor in the state of Florida.

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READ THIS FORM COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY.
YOU ARE AGREEING TO LET YOUR MINOR CHILD
ENGAGE IN A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY.
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parties)USES
REASONABLE CARE IN PROVIDING THIS ACTIVITY, THERE IS A
CHANCE YOUR CHILD MAY BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR KILLED
BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY BECAUSE THERE ARE
CERTAIN DANGERS INHERENT IN THE ACTIVITY WHICH CANNOT
BE AVOIDED OR ELIMINATED. BY SIGNING THIS FORM YOU ARE
GIVING UP YOUR CHILD'S RIGHT AND YOUR RIGHT TO RECOVER
FROM (name of released party or parties)
IN A LAWSUIT FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH,
TO YOUR CHILD OR ANY PROPERTY DAMAGE THAT RESULTS
FROM THE RISKS THAT ARE A NATURAL PART OF THE ACTIVITY.
YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO SIGN THIS FORM, AND (name of
released party or parties)HAS
THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO LET YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATE IF YOU
DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM.
By my signature, I release all claims that both they and I have. No alterations, changes, omissions or revisions may be made.
Print Minors full name
Natural Guardian's signature Date:/
Printed name of Natural Guardian



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SPECIALTY INSTRUCTOR UPGRADE FORM

Method of Payment

☐ AMEX ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ C	Check Money Order Make Checks paya	able to International Training (where applicable)		
Card Number: Exp. Date:				
Signature:		Date:		
□ Advanced Buoyancy Control □ Air Fill Station Operator □ Altitude □ Boat □ Computer Nitrox Diver □ Deep Diving (130 ft Max) □ Diver Propulsion Vehicle □ Drift Diver	☐ Dry Suit ☐ Equipment Specialist ☐ Ice ☐ Marine Ecosystems Awareness ☐ Night /Limited Visibility ☐ Research ☐ Search & Recovery ☐ Shore/Beach	☐ Sidemount ☐ Solo ☐ U/W Hunter & Collector ☐ U/W Navigation ☐ U/W Photography ☐ Underwater Video ☐ Wreck ☐ Other: (Specify)		
Instructor Name:		Member #:		
Mailing Address:				
Phone number:	E-mail address:			
B. Documentation of 10 dives in the		·		
Course Location: Facility #: Course Completion Date:				
Instructor Trainer Signature:	SDI #:	Date:		
Al or Instructor Signature:	SDI #:	Date:		
B. Documentation of 25 dives in ea	a specialty instructor rating from anoth rticular specialty meets the requiremen cialty Course standard and outline provinch applied specialty course.	ner certification agency to SDI.		
•	•	dditional pages may be attached if more		



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Student Information:			
Name:			
Address:			
City:	State:		
Zip:	Country:		
Phone:	Fax:		
Email:	Birth Date:		
Age:	Sex:		
Original Instructor:			
Facility:	Phone:		
Instructor's Name:			
Address:			
City:	State:		
Zip: Country:			
Phone: Fax:			
Email:	SDI Instructor #:		
I agree that the above named student has successfully fulfilled all of the academic and confined water requirements for SDI's Open Water Scuba Diving course. As indicated by the signature below I believe the student is mentally and physically prepared to participate in open water training.			
Instructor Signature:	Completion Date://		
Check List for Original Instructor: A Copy of the student's Medical History must accompany this referral form. A Signed and Completed SDI Scuba Diver Referral Form.			
Remind student to take along his/her diver logbook and dive computer.			
Expiration Date: Valid for 6 Months from completion date			
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→ EVALUATING OPEN WATER INSTRUCTOR ←

Dear evaluating instructor,

The SDI referral program is designed to allow ANY active instructor to evaluate the Open Water skills and performance of a referring student. An active instructor refers to any instructor that is affiliated with an international recognized dive training agency.

We appreciate your assistance with my student referral. Please review the list of required student skills, dives and instructor pre-requisites before the start of the open water evaluating process.

Eval	uating instructor must:
	Be an active instructor with an internationally recognized training agency
	Review students' medical history form
	Have referring student sign your facility's waiver and release form
	Evaluate and initial all the required open water skills and dives listed on the back on this form
	Sign this referral form
	Give the original referral form to student, and retain a copy of this referral form for your records

Thank you for your professional expertise and cooperation.

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Skill Performance Record

Evaluating Open Water Instructor Must Initial Each Skill When Completed						
Scuba System Assembly and Disassembly Pre-dive Check Self and Buddy Underwater Communication Computer Use				Buoyancy Control Hovering Controlled Ascents Controlled Descents Weight System Adjustment Removal and Replacement Out of Air Emergencies Alternate Air Source Share Air with Buddy while making a controlled ascent Swimming ascent Buddy Assist Techniques Tired Diver Tow Cramp Relief		
Open Water Training	Dive 1	Dive 2		Dive 3	Dive 4	
Date (mm/dd/yy)						
Performance						
Student Initials						
Instructor Initials						
PASS: I, verify that all of the required open water dives and skills (Print Name of Evaluating Instructor) for SDI's Open Water Scuba Diving Course have been successfully performed by the student. , #						
Agency Month Day Year INCOMPLETE. Reason:						
→ THE ORIGINAL FORM IS TO BE GIVEN BACK TO THE STUDENT, IN ORDER FOR THE ← → STUDENT TO RECEIVE THE FINAL CERTIFICATION FROM THEIR INSTRUCTOR ←						
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THIS IS A RELEASE OF YOUR RIGHTS TO SUE! READ IT CAREFULLY. FILL IN ALL BLANKS. INITIAL EACH PARAGRAPH BEFORE SIGNING.

I,, hereby affirm that I have been advise of solo scuba diving. Further, I understand that such diving involvincluding, but not limited to, drowning, decompression sickness, emborgas narcosis, marine life injuries and other types of barotrauma and further understand that by diving alone, I may not have a dive buddy to these, or any other, diving malady or accident occur while I am solo div	lism, oxygen toxicity, inert d/or hyperbaric injuries. I to assist me should any of
I,, the facility through which nor SDI, nor any of their respective employees, officers, agents or vessel, nor the dive operation through which I am granted the privile dive buddy, nor other participants in this solo diving activity (hereinafter Parties) may be held liable or responsible in any way for any injury, do me or my family, heirs or assignees that may occur as a result of my pass a result of the negligence of any party, including the Released Pasactive.	assignees, nor the dive ege of solo diving, nor my er referred to as Released leath or other damages to participation in solo diving
I,, in consideration for being allower personally assume all risks in connection with this activity for any harmay befall me while I am solo diving, including all risks connected the or unforeseen, even if caused by the negligence of the Released Partic	rm, injury, or damage that erewith, whether foreseen
I,, further save and hold harmless the R claim or lawsuit by me, my family, estate, heirs or assignees arising participation in solo diving, including all claims arising before, during, activity, even if caused by the negligence of the Released Parties.	out of my enrollment and
I,, further state that I am already a certification in stating my qualifications as a certified scuba diver, certifications from the following training agencies: of the required certification for solo scuba diving, and that I meet all real certified scuba diver since:, and have been diving for: dives to a maximum depth of: feet/metres (Circle either	and have the following that I am aware equirements. I have been years for a total of:
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I,, understand that the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital and that I have signed this document of my own free act and will.						
I,, further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this liability release, or that I have acquired the written consent of my parent or guardian.						
1. PLEASE COPY THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT (IN ITS ENTIRETY) ON THE BLANK LINES PROVIDED BENEATH THIS PARAGRAPH.						
2. PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND WITNESS THE FORM WHERE INDICATED.						
STATEMENT: IT IS MY INTENTION, BY SIGNING THIS INSTRUMENT, TO EXEMPT AND RELEASE THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH HOWEVER CAUSED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE.						
COPY HERE:						
I have fully informed myself of the contents of this liability release and express assumption of risk agreement by reading it before I signed it on behalf of myself and my heirs. I understand this liability release and express assumption of risk agreement expresses the complete and whole agreement between me and the Released Parties as it relates to the issues set forth herein.						
Signature of Diver Date Witness Date						
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ACCIDENT / INCIDENT REPORT

Directions: Please print or type clearly. It is extremely important that you fill in this form COMPLETELY!

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Date of Accident://Nonth / Year Name of Victim:			
·	•	First / Given	Intial
Location of Accident:			
Address of Victim:		_	
Sex: \square M \square F Age: Was this an Instructional Dive	? ☐ Yes ☐ No Was this	a Supervised Dive? 🖵 Y	es 🗖 No
Check all items applicable: Fatality Bodily Injury Bel	nds 🗖 Embolism 🗖 Non	-Injury 🗖 Other (descri	be):
Describe the diving experience of the victim; was he or she	a student? Novice diver?	Experienced diver?	
Describe the injuries suffered by the victim:			
Please provide all details regarding weather conditions (water	er, visibility, wind, waves	etc.):	
Please provide details of any equipment failure:			
Please describe any rescue or emergency procedures used a	nd first aid given:		
Please list any other emergency personnel / Agencies that at	ttended:		
Narrative Report: Describe the accident and the events leadi the participants. Use additional pages if needed to give a co	• .	t overview, including th	e roles of
Your Name: Last / Family / Surname First / Given	Your S	DI Number:	
Your Address:			
Your Telephone Number: Day:			
Please describe your current diving status (i.e. Active Instruc	_		
Describe your personal participation in the incident (i.e. were etc.):			
Please list the names, addresses and phone numbers of all o needed:	ther participants, witness	ses. Use additional shee	ts if



Academic Presentation

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Topic:	
Introduction: (Put your name and cert $\#$ SDI – xx, on the v	hite board) – let students introduce themselves)
Time for presentation itself, Hours: Minu	tes:
Attention getting step: Objective: Importance / Value: Outline: Key Points:	
Presentation Body:	
Summary: Review key points:	
Restate importance Objectives tested (student interaction, eye conta	ct, etc.):
Any questions?	
Knowledge quest review (Review to 100% comprehension.)	
Continuing education class schedule (upcoming	courses)
Be Friendly and Professional!	
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Introductions (Your name, your Divemaster's name – dive teams)

Time for presentation itself, Hours: Minutes:

- 1. Site briefing (pool, confined water, open water)
- 2. Emergency procedures
- 3. Description of site and site conditions (currents, boat traffic, features, etc)
- 4. Review hand signals
- 5. Skills to be conducted including buddy teams and pre-dive planning
- 6. Dive profile
- 7. Entry and exits

#	Skill	Importance / Value / Objective / Skill Explanation / Key-points
		Importance/ Value:
_		Objective:
1		Skill explanation:
		Key-points:
		Importance/ Value:
		Objective:
2		Skill explanation:
		Key-points:
		Importance/ Value:
		Objective:
3		Skill explanation:
		Key-points:
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4		Skill explanation:
		Key-points:
		Importance/ Value:
_		Objective:
5		Skill explanation:
		Key-points:

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Praiso.				

Importance / Value:

Objective: Key-points:

Test Objectives (ask questions):

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	First	Middle	Last			
Member Name:						
Address:						
City:	State:		Postal code: Country:			
Phone: (H)	(W)		(M)			
Birth date (mm/dd/yyyy):	E-mail:					
SDI/TDI/ERDI Member N	lumber (REQUIRED):				
Date last renewed with S	SDI/TDI/ERDI:					
SDI/TDI/ERDI Facility aff	filiation:					
Highest SDI/TDI/ERDI P	rofessional rating:					
Date of last scuba diving	medical:		(attach copy)			
Date of last CPR and firs	st aid certification:		(attac	h copy)		
(List of any oth	Other Agency Membership(s) (List of any other agency memberships and current status. Include student count for past 2 years)					
Certification: Current Status:	А	agency:	Certification #: Date Last Active:	1 1		
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	Level of Rating(s) Being Updated					
1:						
2:						
3:						
Instructor Trainer Details						
Name:			Member #:			
E-mail:			Phone:			
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Member Update Form (Page 2 of 2)

To be used by inactive members and/or Instructor Trainers to verify renewal or update requirements

Location of Update:				
Update Components (ITs must initial the relevant subject line(s) verifying the updating member has completed all the necessary skil performance and graduation requirements for the applicable instructor level course(s). Attach notes if necessary.				
IT's Initials Subjects:				
Online Professional Familiarization Program SDI Standards and Procedures Review TDI Standards and Procedures Review ERDI Standards and Procedures Review Current Training Updates Review SDI Instructor Evaluation Course (required for SDI instructors updating) Classroom Presentation Confined Water Lesson Open Water Lesson Written Exam Completed (with 100% remediation as required) First Response Training International Programs (specify) TDI Open Circuit Instructor Course (specify) TDI SCR Instructor Course (specify) TDI CCR Instructor Course (specify) TDI Overhead Environment Instructor Course (specify) ERDI Instructor Course Skill Performance Requirements Other (specify) Other (specify)				
Other (specify)				
Number of academic presentations completed:				

Number of confined water dives completed:

Number of open water dives completed: Max depth:

Date update completed:

Signature:

Declaration by Member: I fully understand and have completed all the requirements for this instructor update and am in possession of current student manuals and instructor guides for the ratings I hold. I also understand that this update does not guarantee renewal of membership or active teaching status and I am not authorized to teach SDI/TDI/ERDI programs until I have received approval from the HQ Training Department. I certify that I have no outstanding quality assurance issues with any scuba certifying agency and know of no reason that my status may not be renewed.

Declaration by instructor trainer: I verify that the member has satisfactorily completed all the requirements of
this instructor update to the level required by current SDI/TDI/ERDI Standards.

Date:

Signature: Date:

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Dive Leader Application

Student Info: F	Personal and Confidential	Please Print Clearly	Page 1 of 2	SCUBA DIVING
Address:	Last / Family / Surname	First / Given Init		Day / Month / Year
City:		State/Province:		
		try:		
		Daytime Phone:		
Email:		Defermed by		
Occupation:		Referred by:		
Emergency Conta	act:			
Name: _		Name: _		
Address: _		Address: _		
Polationship				
Home Phone:		Relationship: _ Home Phone:		
Work/Cell Phone:		Work/Cell Phone:		
Advanced Open Water Diver:		cation Date:Day _/ Month /_ Year _ Co	ertification Number:	
Rescue Diver:	Agency: Certific	cation Date: Day / Month / Year Co	ertification Number:	
CPR/First Aid:	Agency: Certific	cation Date: Day / Month / Year Co	ertification Number:	
Divemaster:		cation Date: Day / Month / Year Co		
Assistant Instructor:	Agency: Certific	cation Date: Day / Month / Year Co	ertification Number:	
Open Water Instructor:		cation Date: / Month / _ Year _ Corainer Name:		
As indicated by my signatu Instructor accurate dive an	ire below, I am mentally and phys	ically prepared to enroll in this cou	rse, in addition, I have	provided my

	SDI Dive Leader Application—Page	e 2 of 2	R·S·T·C Member
	Student Name:		
STER	Academic Session(s) and Review: Date Completed:/	Pool/Confined Water Session(s): Date Completed:/	Open Water Session(s): Date Completed:/
DIVEMASTER	Instructor Name: Instructor Signature: Assisting Instructor Name:		
TOR	Academic Session(s) and Review: Date Completed: /	Pool/Confined Water Session(s): Date Completed:/_Month/_Year # of Hours: # of Hours: ic, Confined Water and Open Water requirements.	Open Water Session(s): Date Completed:/
INSTRUC	Instructor Name:Instructor Signature:		Date://
£ Œ	· ·	Pool/Confined Water Session(s): Date Completed: /	Open Water Session(s): Date Completed://
OPEN WATER INSTRUCTOR	Course Director/IT Signature: Instructor Trainer Name:		Date://
	Professional Course Check-Off Sh	eet	
	Check off the items listed below as they are constant of the state of	SDI Assistant Instructor Send Copies to ITI HQ: Final Exam Answer Sheet Physician Sign-Off Dive Leader Application—Two Pages	SDI Open Water Instructor Send Copies to ITI HQ: Final Exam Answer Sheet Physician Sign-Off Dive Leader Application—Two Pages Candidate Instructor Facility
	Credit Card Number: Credit Card Holder Signature:	•	EXP Date:/

GENERAL LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK

For		(specify course) training pro	ogram under sanction through SDI.
	(Only ONE course can be listed on this form Please read carefully. If any qu Fill in and initial each	ı) uestions arise, ask your instruc paragraph before signing at t	
l,	, hereby affirm of scuba divir		horoughly informed of the inherent hazards
	Further, I understand that diving with compres decompression sickness, embolism, oxygen to injuries can occur that require treatment in a re which are necessary for training and certificati both, from such a recompression chamber. I s absence of a recompression chamber in proxin	xicity, inert gas narcosis, marine compression chamber. I further ion, may be conducted at a site still choose to proceed with suc	life injuries or other barotrauma/hyper baric understand that the open water diving trips, that is remote, either by time of distance or
	I understand and agree that neither my instruc		
	the facility through which I received my instru _, International Training and Scuba Diving Inte ployees, agents, or assigns of the above listed and tables expressly used for training and cert responsible in anyway for any injury, death, or of my participation in this diving class or as a re passive or active.	ernational, nor the officers, direc entities and/or individuals, nor tification (hereinafter referred to other damages to me or my fam	the authors of any materials including texts as "Released Parties") may be held liable or ily, heirs, or assigns that may occur as a result
	In consideration of being allowed to enroll in the for any harm, injury, or damage that may befarected therewith, whether foreseen or unforest	all me while I am enrolled as a s	sume all risks in connection with said course, tudent of this course, including all risks con-
	I further agree to save, defend, indemnify, and me, anyone purporting to act on my behalf, my ment and participation in this course including if such claims may be groundless, false or fraud	y family, estate, heirs or assigns, g both claims arising during the	arising directly or indirectly out of my enroll-
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	I understand that these activities may place me de	eeper than I am able to safely exec	cute a free (without breathing gas) ascent from.
	I understand that I may be required to furnish maintenance.	my own equipment and that I ar	n responsible for its operating condition and
	I further state that I am of lawful age and legal consent of my parent or guardian.	lly competent to sign this liabilit	y release, or that I have acquired the written
	I understand that the terms herein are contract free act. Further that I understand and agree the reason, is held by a court of competent jurisdic unenforceability shall not affect any other provous unenforceable provision or provisions had not	nat, in the event that one or mor tion to be invalid or unenforceal vision hereof, and this agreemer	e of the provisions of this agreement, for any ble in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or
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	Signature of Student/Participant	Date Day / Month / Year	Signature of Parent or Guardian (where applicable)
	Witness	Date Day / Month / Year	

Diver Medical

Participant Questionnaire

Recreational scuba diving and freediving requires good physical and mental health. There are a few medical conditions which can be hazardous while diving, listed below. Those who have, or are predisposed to, any of these conditions, should be evaluated by a physician. This Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire provides a basis to determine if you should seek out that evaluation. If you have any concerns about your diving fitness not represented on this form, consult with your physician before diving. If you are feeling ill, avoid diving. If you think you may have a contagious disease, protect yourself and others by not participating in dive training and/or dive activities. References to "diving" on this form encompass both recreational scuba diving and freediving. This form is principally designed as an initial medical screen for new divers, but is also appropriate for divers taking continuing education. For your safety, and that of others who may dive with you, answer all questions honestly.

Directions

Complete this questionnaire as a prerequisite to a recreational scuba diving or freediving course. Note to women: If you are pregnant, or attempting to become pregnant, do not dive.

1.	I have had problems with my lungs/breathing, heart, blood, or have been diagnosed with COVID-19.	Yes □ Go To Box A	No □
2.	I am over 45 years of age.	Yes □ Go To Box B	No □
3.	I struggle to perform moderate exercise (for example, walk 1.6 kilometer/one mile in 14 minutes or swim 200 meters/yards without resting), OR I have been unable to participate in a normal physical activity due to fitness or health reasons within the past 12 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
4.	I have had problems with my eyes, ears, or nasal passages/sinuses.	Yes □ Go To Box C	No □
5.	I have had surgery within the last 12 months, OR I have ongoing problems related to past surgery.	Yes □*	No □
6.	I have lost consciousness, had migraine headaches, seizures, stroke, significant head injury, or suffer from persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes □ Go To Box D	No 🗆
	I am currently undergoing treatment (or have required treatment within the last five years) for psychological problems, personality disorder, panic attacks, or an addiction to drugs or alcohol; or, I have been diagnosed with a learning disability.	Yes □ Go To Box E	No □
8.	I have had back problems, hernia, ulcers, or diabetes.	Yes □ Go To Box F	No □
9.	I have had stomach or intestine problems, including recent diarrhea.	Yes □ Go To Box G	No □
10.	I am taking prescription medications (with the exception of birth control or anti-malarial drugs other than mefloquine (Lariam).	Yes □*	No 🗆

Participant Signature

If you answered NO to all 10 questions above, a medical evaluation is not required. Please read and agree to the participant statement below by signing and dating it.

Participant Statement: I have answered all questions honestly, and understand that I accept responsibility for any consequences resulting from any questions I may have answered inaccurately or for my failure to disclose any existing or past health conditions.

Participant Signature (or, if a minor, participant's parent/guardian signature required.)	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)
Participant Name (Print)	Birthdate (dd/mm/yyyy)
Instructor Name (Print)	Facility Name (Print)

* If you answered YES to questions 3, 5 or 10 above OR to any of the questions in boxes A - G below, please read and agree to the statement above by signing and dating it AND take all three pages of this form (Participant Questionnaire and the Physician's Evaluation Form) to your physician for a medical evaluation. Participation in a diving course requires your physician's approval.

Box A – I have/have had:		
Chest surgery, heart surgery, heart valve surgery, stent placement, or a pneumothorax (collapsed lung).	Yes □*	No □
Asthma, wheezing, severe allergies, hay fever or congested airways within the last 12 months that limits my physical activity/exercise.	Yes □*	No □
A problem or illness involving my heart such as: angina, chest pain on exertion, heart failure, immersion pulmonary edema, heart attack or stroke, OR am taking medication for any heart condition.	Yes □*	No □
Recurrent bronchitis and currently coughing within the past 12 months, OR have been diagnosed with emphysema.	Yes □*	No □
A diagnosis of COVID-19.	Yes □*	No □
Box B – I am over 45 years of age AND:		
I currently smoke or inhale nicotine by other means.	Yes □*	No □
I have a high cholesterol level.	Yes □*	No □
I have high blood pressure.	Yes □*	No □
I have had a close blood relative die suddenly or of cardiac disease or stroke before the age of 50, OR have a family history of heart disease before age 50 (including abnormal heart rhythms, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathy).	Yes □*	No □
Box C – I have/have had:		
Sinus surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No □
Ear disease or ear surgery, hearing loss, or problems with balance.	Yes □*	No □
Recurrent sinusitis within the past 12 months.	Yes □*	No □
Eye surgery within the past 3 months.	Yes □*	No □
Box D – I have/have had:		
Head injury with loss of consciousness within the past 5 years.	Yes □*	No □
Persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes □*	No □
Recurring migraine headaches within the past 12 months, or take medications to prevent them.	Yes □*	No □
Blackouts or fainting (full/partial loss of consciousness) within the last 5 years.	Yes □*	No □
Epilepsy, seizures, or convulsions, OR take medications to prevent them.	Yes □*	No □

Box E – I have/have had:		
Behavioral health, mental or psychological problems requiring medical/psychiatric treatment.	Yes □*	No □
Major depression, suicidal ideation, panic attacks, uncontrolled bipolar disorder requiring medication/psychiatric treatment.	Yes □*	No □
Been diagnosed with a mental health condition or a learning/ developmental disorder that requires ongoing care.	Yes □*	No □
An addiction to drugs or alcohol requiring treatment within the last 5 years.	Yes □*	No □
Box F – I have/have had:		
Recurrent back problems in the last 6 months that limit my everyday activity.	Yes □*	No □
Back or spinal surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No □
Diabetes, drug- or diet-controlled, OR gestational diabetes within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No □
An uncorrected hernia that limits my physical abilities.	Yes □*	No □
Active or untreated ulcers, problem wounds, or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No □
Box G – I have had:		
Ostomy surgery and do not have medical clearance to swim or engage in physical activity.	Yes □*	No □
Dehydration requiring medical intervention within the last 7 days.	Yes □*	No □
Active or untreated stomach or intestinal ulcers or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No □
Frequent heartburn, regurgitation, or gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD).	Yes □*	No □
Active or uncontrolled ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease.	Yes □*	No □
Bariatric surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No □













Diver Medical | Participant Questionnaire

Recreational scuba diving and freediving requires good physical and mental health. There are a few medical conditions which can be hazardous while diving, listed below. Those who have, or are predisposed to, any of these conditions, should be evaluated by a physician. This Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire provides a basis to determine if you should seek out that evaluation. If you have any concerns about your diving fitness not represented on this form, consult with your physician before diving. If you are feeling ill, avoid diving. If you think you may have a contagious disease, protect yourself and others by not participating in dive training and/or dive activities. References to "diving" on this form encompass both recreational scuba diving and freediving. This form is principally designed as an initial medical screen for new divers, but is also appropriate for divers taking continuing education. For your safety, and that of others who may dive with you, answer all questions honestly.

Directions

Complete this questionnaire as a prerequisite to a recreational scuba diving or freediving course. Note to women:

If you are pregnant, or attempting to become pregnant, do not dive.

1. I have had problems with my lungs/breathing, heart, blood, or have been diagnosed with COVID-19.	Yes O Go to Box A	No O
2. I am over 45 years of age.	Yes O Go to Box B	No O
3. I struggle to perform moderate exercise (for example, walk 1.6 kilometer/one mile in 14 minutes or swim 200 meters/yards without resting), OR I have been unable to participate in a normal physical activity due to fitness or health reasons within the past 12 months.	Yes O*	No O
4. I have had problems with my eyes, ears, or nasal passages/sinuses.	Yes O Go to Box C	No O
5. I have had surgery within the last 12 months, OR I have ongoing problems related to past surgery.	Yes O*	No O
6. I have lost consciousness, had migraine headaches, seizures, stroke, significant head injury, or suffer from persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes O Go to Box D	No O
7. I am currently undergoing treatment (or have required treatment within the last five years) for psychological problems, personality disorder, panic attacks, or an addiction to drugs or alcohol; or, I have been diagnosed with a learning disability.	Yes O Go to Box E	No O
8. I have had back problems, hernia, ulcers, or diabetes.	Yes O Go to Box F	No O
9. I have had stomach or intestine problems, including recent diarrhea.	Yes O Go to Box G	No O
10. I am taking prescription medications (with the exception of birth control or anti-malarial drugs other than mefloquine/Lariam).	Yes O*	No O

Participant Signature		
If you answered <i>NO</i> to all 10 questions above, a medical evaluation is not required. Please read and agree to the participar statement below by signing and dating it.		
Participant Statement: I have answered all questions honestly, and understand that I accept responsibility for any consequence resulting from any questions I may have answered inaccurately or for my failure to disclose any existing or past health condition. Participant Signature (or, if a minor, participant's parent/guardian signature required.) Date (dd/mm/yyyy)		
Instructor Name (Print)	Facility Name (Print)	

^{*} If you answered YES to questions 3, 5 or 10 above OR to any of the questions on page 2, please read and agree to the statement above by signing and dating it AND take all three pages of this form (Participant Questionnaire and the Physician's Evaluation Form) to your physician for a medical evaluation. Participation in a diving course requires your physician's approval.

Participant Name_		Birthdate _	
	(Print)	_	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

Diver Medical | Participant Questionnaire Continued

Box A – I have/have had:		
Chest surgery, heart surgery, heart valve surgery, stent placement, or a pneumothorax (collapsed lung).	Yes O*	No Q
Asthma, wheezing, severe allergies, hay fever or congested airways within the last 12 months that limits my physical activity/exercise.	Yes O*	No Q
A problem or illness involving my heart such as: angina, chest pain on exertion, heart failure, immersion pulmonary edema, heart attack or stroke, OR am taking medication for any heart condition.	Yes O*	No O
Recurrent bronchitis and currently coughing within the past 12 months, OR have been diagnosed with emphysema.	Yes O*	No O
A diagnosis of COVID-19.	Yes O*	No O
Box B – I am over 45 years of age AND:		
I currently smoke or inhale nicotine by other means.	Yes 🔿*	No O
I have a high cholesterol level.	Yes O*	No Q
I have high blood pressure.	Yes O*	No O
I have had a close blood relative die suddenly or of cardiac disease or stroke before the age of 50, OR have a family history of heart disease before age 50 (including abnormal heart rhythms, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathy).	Yes O*	No O
Box C – I have/have had:		
Sinus surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes O*	No O
Ear disease or ear surgery, hearing loss, or problems with balance.	Yes O*	No O
Recurrent sinusitis within the past 12 months.	Yes 🔿*	No O
Eye surgery within the past 3 months.	Yes O*	No Q
Box D – I have/have had:		
Head injury with loss of consciousness within the past 5 years.	Yes O*	No O
Persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes O*	No O
Recurring migraine headaches within the past 12 months, or take medications to prevent them.	Yes O*	No Q
Blackouts or fainting (full/partial loss of consciousness) within the last 5 years.	Yes O*	No O
Epilepsy, seizures, or convulsions, OR take medications to prevent them.	Yes O*	No Q
Box E – I have/have had:		
Behavioral health, mental or psychological problems requiring medical/psychiatric treatment.	Yes O*	No O
Major depression, suicidal ideation, panic attacks, uncontrolled bipolar disorder requiring medication/psychiatric treatment.	Yes Q*	No Q
Been diagnosed with a mental health condition or a learning/developmental disorder that requires ongoing care.	Yes O*	No O
An addiction to drugs or alcohol requiring treatment within the last 5 years.	Yes O*	No Q
Box F – I have/have had:		
Recurrent back problems in the last 6 months that limit my everyday activity.	Yes O*	No O
Back or spinal surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes O*	No O
Diabetes, drug- or diet-controlled, OR gestational diabetes within the last 12 months.	Yes O*	No O
An uncorrected hernia that limits my physical abilities.	Yes O*	No O
Active or untreated ulcers, problem wounds, or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes O*	No Q
Box G – I have had:		
Ostomy surgery and do not have medical clearance to swim or engage in physical activity.	Yes O*	No O
Dehydration requiring medical intervention within the last 7 days.	Yes O*	No 🔿
Active or untreated stomach or intestinal ulcers or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes O*	No O
Frequent heartburn, regurgitation, or gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD).	Yes Q*	No O
Active or uncontrolled ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease.	Yes O*	No O
Bariatric surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes O*	No O

^{*}Physician's medical evaluation required (see page 1).

Diver Medical | Physician's Evaluation Form

Participant Name		Birthdate
-	(Print)	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)
freediving training or ac		al suitability to participate in recreational scuba diving or ance on medical conditions as they relate to diving. Review
Evaluation Result	t	
☐ Approved – I find no co	onditions that I consider incompatible with recreatio	nal scuba diving or freediving.
☐ Not approved — I find co	onditions that I consider incompatible with recreation	onal scuba diving or freediving.
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Diving Medical Guidance to the Physician

These guidelines are typically used by physicians who have been approached by an individual wishing to take part in recreational scuba diving or freediving. They will usually have completed a WRSTC Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire.

Recreational scuba diving and freediving (hereafter "diving") is performed safely by many people. The risks associated with diving may be increased by certain physical conditions, and the relationship to diving may not be readily appreciated by candidates. Thus, it is important to screen divers for such conditions.

A physical examination for diving focuses on conditions that may put a diver at increased risk for decompression sickness, pulmonary overinflation with subsequent arterial gas embolization, and other conditions such as loss of consciousness, which could lead to drowning. Additionally, divers must be able to withstand some degree of thermal stress, the physiological effects of immersion, and have sufficient physical and mental reserves to deal with normal diving and possible emergencies.

The history, review of systems, and physical examination should include as a minimum the points listed below. The list of conditions that might adversely affect the diver is not exhaustive, but contains the most commonly encountered medical problems. The brief introductions serve as an alert to the nature of the risk posed.

The potential diver and his or her physician must weigh the benefits to be had by diving against an increased risk of injury or death due to the individual's medical condition. As with any recreational activity, there are limited data for diving with which to calculate the mathematical probability of injury. Experience and physiological principles only permit a qualitative assessment of relative risk.

For the purposes of this document, **Severe Risk** implies that an individual is believed to be at substantially elevated risk of injury compared with the general population. The consultants involved in drafting this document would generally discourage a candidate with such medical problems from diving. **Relative Risk** refers to a moderate increase in risk, which in some instances may be acceptable. To make a decision as to whether diving is contraindicated for this category of medical problems, physicians must base their judgment on an assessment of the individual candidate. **Temporary Risk** refers to medical problems which may preclude diving but are temporary in nature, allowing the individual to dive after they have resolved.

Following many of the sections is a short list of references that give more information on the topic. The lists are not exhaustive, but examples that may be of particular relevance.

Diagnostic studies and specialty consultations should be obtained as indicated to determine the candidate's status. A list of references is included to aid in clarifying issues that arise.

The following sections are included in this document (click to jump to section):

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEMS

GASTROINTESTINAL

<u>HEMATOLOGICAL</u>

METABOLIC AND ENDOCRINOLOGICAL

NEUROLOGICAL

ORTHOPEDIC

OTOLARYNGOLOGICAL

PULMONARY

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Behavioral health is one of the most difficult aspects of diver candidate evaluation, because many relevant potential problems may not be apparent and are not easily assessed in an office consultation. This is also an aspect of evaluating suitability for diving in which the diving instructor, who observes the candidate in the field, must also play a part.

The diving candidate must be capable of learning and applying a theoretical knowledge base for diving. Significant intellectual handicap is incompatible with independent diving.

Motivational and behavioral traits should be considered if there is obvious related history or problems become apparent during training. Candidates who appear unmotivated, irresponsible, or prone to distraction or panic should be discouraged from diving.

A history of psychiatric disease is not in and of itself disqualifying. Psychotropic medications can be problematic if they are associated with altered level of awareness or sedation, or may alter seizure threshold, (e.g., benzodiazepines, narcotics). What is of primary importance is the individual's current psychological state, and anticipated impact of their mental/psychological history relative to their ability to navigate the potential and anticipated challenges and stresses of diving. The level of baseline mental health, with or without medication, is therefore of greater importance than the theoretical effects of a given medication or class of medications while diving.

Candidates with major depression, bipolar disorder, psychoses, or current drug or alcohol abuse should not dive. Even if a candidate is well controlled on medication (see below for discussion of SSRIs), there may be risks associated with the use of potent antidepressant and antipsychotic drugs in the underwater environment. The tendency for potent psychotropic drugs to impair concentration and cause drowsiness is of particular concern, as is their potential to lower the seizure threshold, and the lack of research data evaluating potential interactions with the pressure environment. Candidates with a past history of major psychiatric problems or drug/alcohol abuse who are stable without medication and withdrawn from drugs and alcohol can be considered on a case-by-case basis, preferably by a physician trained in diving medicine.

Perhaps the most challenging group of candidates from a behavioral perspective in the modern context is those with "mild" depression (those who have never been hospitalized for psychiatric treatment or placed on psychiatric hold or attempted self-harm) or those with mood disturbances treated with selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs). The general use of SSRIs has increased dramatically over recent years in many countries. There are no data describing use of SSRIs among divers, but anecdotally the numbers are significant. Concerns over diving while using SSRIs relate to the disorder being treated and to the potential interaction between the drug and diving. There are many candidates taking these drugs whose mild mood disturbance would not of itself constitute a reason to avoid diving. Evaluation of the potential for an interaction between SSRIs and diving is more difficult. There are no published reports of apparent problems despite what is almost certainly a large number of divers using them. Diving while taking an SSRI is probably acceptable provided that: the treated mood disturbance was mild prior to treatment and has been well controlled by the drug; the drug has been used for at least one month without evidence of relevant side effects; and the candidate is fully counseled about (and accepting of) the relevant risks. If the candidate is considering diving beyond the traditional recreational envelope or using gases other than air, he or she should consult an appropriate diving medicine specialist.

There are also potential risks associated with other drugs used to treat psychiatric conditions, including serotoninnorepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs), tricyclic antidepressants (TCAs), monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs), and atypical agents (including bupropion). Candidates on these medications should be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Severe Risk Conditions

- Active major depression, bipolar or psychotic disorder
- History of panic attacks
- Drug or alcohol abuse
- Severe intellectual handicap

Relative Risk Conditions

- Questionable motivation to dive solely to please spouse, partner or family member, or to prove oneself in the face of personal fears
- Developmental delay/Cognitive impairment
- Anxiety disorder
- History of drug or alcohol abuse
- History of major depression, bipolar, or psychotic disorder
- Use of psychotropic medications
- Claustrophobia or agoraphobia

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEMS

Diving places increased demands on the heart. Immersion itself results in an increase in cardiac preload, as does peripheral vasoconstriction with an increase in blood pressure. These changes are typically accompanied by sustained mild to moderate exercise. Perhaps not surprisingly, almost 30% of recreational diving fatalities have a cardiac event as the disabling injury. It follows that the primary goals of evaluating the cardiovascular system in a diving candidate are to identify those who appear to be at risk of myocardial ischemic events, myocardial insufficiency, or other cardiac events (such as arrhythmias) that might disable a diver underwater, and to establish that the candidate has an adequate exercise capacity for diving.

With the above in mind, some cardiac diagnoses are considered to render a candidate unsuitable for diving, including: untreated symptomatic coronary artery disease, dilated or obstructive or previous stress cardiomyopathy, congestive heart failure, moderate or worse pulmonary hypertension, long QT syndrome or other arrhythmia-inducing channelopathies, paroxysmal arrhythmias causing unconsciousness or impairment of exercise capacity, poor exercise capacity of apparent cardiac origin, moderate to severe valvular lesions, complex congenital cardiac disease, atrial septal defect, and the presence of an implanted cardiac defibrillator.

Potential candidates with any of the following should be investigated to exclude a disqualifying condition:

- Exertional chest pain, dyspnea, palpitations, or syncope
- Unexplained syncope/near syncope
- Heart murmur
- Hypertension
- Family history of premature death (sudden/unexpected or cardiac) before age 50, cardiac disease before age 50, cardiomyopathy, arrhythmia, or channelopathy

It is strongly recommended that these candidates be evaluated in consultation with a physician trained in diving medicine and possibly a cardiologist. Successful treatment of disqualifying cardiac disorders may result in a candidate becoming suitable for diving. For example, a candidate with coronary artery disease (including previous myocardial infarction) who has been successfully revascularized may be suitable for diving if inducible ischemia can be excluded and adequate exercise capacity demonstrated (for example, in an exercise stress test). The capacity to sustain exercise at 6 MET (metabolic equivalent of task; 1 MET approximates resting metabolic rate, assumed to approximate an oxygen consumption of 3.5 mL/kg/min; 6 MET approximates an effort of six times resting metabolic rate, approximating an oxygen consumption of 21 mL/kg/min is a pragmatic expectation for a recreational diver, but there may be an occasional need to exercise transiently at higher levels during diving. Similarly, a candidate with a history of paroxysmal arrhythmia who has undergone successful pathway ablation may be suitable for diving. Candidates with any of the above diagnoses who wish to consider diving after appropriate treatment are best referred to a physician trained in diving medicine for evaluation.

Asymptomatic candidates over 45 years of age with risk factors for coronary artery disease should undergo evaluation by a physician. Individuals with a predicted 5-10 year risk of a cardiovascular event >10% using a cardiac risk calculator should be investigated for coronary disease unless they provide a credible history of exercise capacity which renders significant coronary disease very unlikely. A coronary calcium score is a suitable initial investigation, and a myocardial perfusion scan, stress echocardiogram, or CT coronary angiogram should be considered in following up a positive calcium score. Consideration of a tailored investigation pathway for the individual diving candidate is ideally undertaken by a cardiologist in consultation with a physician trained in diving medicine. Candidates who prove to have inducible ischemia or obstructive lesions justifying intervention should not dive until completion of the intervention and demonstration of its success. Candidates with non-obstructive coronary disease not requiring invasive intervention should have aggressive management of risk factors and may be suitable for diving if adequate exercise capacity can be demonstrated. Although an exercise ECG is relatively insensitive to early coronary disease, it has the advantage of demonstrating exercise capacity and can be modified to test sustained exercise at 6 MET.

Left ventricular hypertrophy (LVH) is a risk factor for arrhythmias, which may be induced by exercise or immersion. Candidates for diving with this condition should be counseled about the risks of diving.

A patent foramen ovale (PFO) that exhibits right-to-left shunting with no or minimal provocation is a risk factor for serious neurological decompression sickness. In established divers, such lesions are usually discovered by bubble contrast echocardiography conducted after a relevant episode of decompression sickness. These divers are usually advised either to cease diving, modify their diving to reduce venous bubble formation (venous bubbles crossing from right to left are almost certainly the vectors of harm in this setting), or to have the PFO repaired. Occasionally, new diver candidates have a previously discovered PFO, and in such cases an objective assessment of the shunting behavior of the lesion is required in order to adequately counsel the candidate about the implied risks in diving. If not already done, this is best achieved using bubble contrast transthoracic echocardiography at rest and with provocative maneuvers. It is strongly recommended that the results of such tests are discussed with a physician trained in diving medicine. Routine screening of all diving candidates for PFO is not recommended.

In relation to some specific cardiovascular diagnoses: Treated hypertension with adequate control is acceptable in diving in the absence of other risk factors that would meet a risk threshold indicating screening for coronary artery disease. Atrial fibrillation that is adequately rate-controlled in a candidate without inducible myocardial ischemia and who exhibits adequate exercise capacity is acceptable in diving. However, many such candidates are anticoagulated and the risks of diving whilst anticoagulated would need to be understood and carefully considered by the candidate. This is best achieved through discussion with a physician trained in diving medicine.

Immersion pulmonary edema is a problem that has been seen in swimmers, compressed gas divers, and freedivers. The condition may be under-diagnosed. Risk factors include hypertension, valvular disease, diastolic dysfunction, cardiomyopathies, pulmonary hypertension, hyperhydration, immersion, cold stress, constrictive garments, exercise, and for compressed gas divers, increased breathing resistance (affected by equipment, gas density, and body position), and for freedivers, pulmonary squeeze due to compression during descent. A single episode of immersion pulmonary edema may contra-indicate further diving if no modifiable risk factors are found. Repetitive cases represent a strong contra-indication. A diver or new diving candidate with such a history should be referred to a physician trained in diving medicine for discussion of the relevant issues.

Candidates with pacemakers may be able to dive, though pacemaker-dependent candidates should consider the risks carefully. The pathologic process that necessitated the pacemaker should be considered as should the candidate's functional capacity (see above). Pacemakers must be certified by the manufacturer as able to withstand the pressure changes involved in recreational diving. Devices vary in this regard, but diving beyond 30 meters/100 feet with any of them is unwise.

Severe Risk Conditions

- Untreated symptomatic coronary artery disease
- Dilated or obstructive cardiomyopathy
- Heart failure
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Long QT syndrome or other arrhythmia-inducing channelopathies
- Paroxysmal arrhythmias causing unconsciousness or impairment of exercise capacity
- Poor exercise capacity of apparent cardiac origin
- Moderate to severe valvular lesions
- Complex congenital cardiac disease
- Atrial septal defect
- Presence of an implanted cardiac defibrillator
- Multiple episodes of immersion pulmonary edema

Relative Risk Conditions

- Treated coronary artery disease
- Collectively, risk factors such as age >45 years, hypertension, smoking, elevated cholesterol and a positive family history may indicate investigation for coronary artery disease
- History of dysrhythmias requiring medication for suppression
- Mild valvular lesions (need periodic re-evaluation)
- Cardiac prostheses or arrhythmias requiring anticoagulation
- Pacemakers
- Single previous episode of immersion pulmonary edema
- Marfan syndrome or other connective tissue disorder (severe risk if there is a history of dissection)
- Left ventricular hypertrophy

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GASTROINTESTINAL

In general terms, there should be no gastrointestinal conditions present that increase the likelihood of vomiting, reflux, bleeding, perforation, diarrhea, or pain. Altered anatomical relationships secondary to surgery or malformations that lead to gas trapping may cause serious problems. Trapped gas expands as the diver surfaces and can lead to rupture or, in the case of the upper GI tract, emesis. Emesis underwater may lead to drowning. Dive activities may take place in areas remote from medical care, and the possibility of acute recurrences of disease must be considered.

Severe Risk Conditions

- Active inflammatory bowel disease
- Gastric outlet obstruction of a degree sufficient to produce recurrent vomiting
- Chronic or recurrent small bowel obstruction
- Severe gastroesophageal reflux
- Achalasia
- Paraesophageal hernia
- Gastroparesis

Relative Risk Conditions

- Inflammatory bowel disease when quiescent
- Functional bowel disorders

Temporary Risk Conditions

- Peptic ulcer disease associated with pyloric obstruction or severe reflux
- Unrepaired hernias of the abdominal wall large enough to contain bowel within the hernia sac could incarcerate

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HEMATOLOGICAL

Abnormalities resulting in altered rheological properties may theoretically increase the risk of decompression sickness. Bleeding disorders could worsen the effects of otic or sinus barotrauma and exacerbate the injury associated with inner ear or spinal cord decompression sickness. Spontaneous bleeding into the joints (eg, in hemophilia) may be difficult to distinguish from decompression illness. Thrombophilic disorders (hereditary or acquired) may facilitate vascular thrombosis and susceptibility to DCS.

Relative Risk Conditions

- Sickle cell disease
- Polycythemia vera
- Leukemia
- Hemophilia/Impaired coagulation
- Recent blood transfusion
- Recent thrombotic episodes
- Hereditary hypercoagulability conditions
 - Factor V Leiden
 - Prothrombin 20210A
 - Protein C deficiency
 - Protein S deficiency
 - Antithrombin deficiency

Temporary Risk Conditions

Prescription of anti-coagulant drugs of any kind, including platelet aggregation inhibitors

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METABOLIC AND ENDOCRINOLOGICAL

States of altered hormonal or metabolic function should be assessed according to their impact on the individual's ability to tolerate the moderate exercise requirement and environmental stress of sport diving. Obesity may predispose the individual to decompression sickness, can impair exercise tolerance and is a risk factor for coronary artery disease.

Severe Risk Conditions

- The potentially rapid change in level of consciousness associated with hypoglycemia in diabetics on insulin therapy or certain oral hypoglycemic medications can result in drowning. Diving is therefore generally contraindicated, except when conducted according to the consensus guidelines for recreational diving with diabetes.
- Pregnancy: The effect of venous emboli formed during decompression on the fetus has been proven to be
 potentially detrimental to fetus health. Diving is therefore not recommended during any stage of pregnancy or for
 women actively seeking to become pregnant. (Note that in cases where pregnancy is discovered after diving, it is
 not considered grounds for termination.)

Relative Risk Conditions

- Hormonal excess or deficiency
- Obesity
- Renal insufficiency

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NEUROLOGICAL

Neurological illnesses, especially those affecting the spinal cord and peripheral nerves, should be assessed according to the degree of functional compromise present. Any condition that diminishes the reserve capacity of the spinal cord may reduce the likelihood of a full functional recovery, should an episode of spinal decompression sickness occur. Conditions in which there can be a waxing and waning of neurological symptoms and signs, such as migraine or demyelinating disease, may contraindicate diving, because an exacerbation or attack of the pre-existing disease (eg, migraine headache with aura) may be difficult to distinguish from neurological decompression sickness. A history of head injury resulting in unconsciousness should be evaluated for risk of seizure. A diagnosis of epilepsy is considered an absolute contraindication for diving.

Severe Risk Conditions

Any abnormalities where there is a significant probability of unconsciousness, hence putting the diver at increased risk of drowning. Divers with spinal cord or brain abnormalities where perfusion is impaired may be at increased risk of decompression sickness.

Some conditions are as follows:

- Epilepsy or history of seizures, other than childhood febrile seizures
- History of transient ischemic attack (TIA) or cerebrovascular accident (CVA)
- History of serious (central nervous system, cerebral or inner ear) decompression sickness with residual deficits
- Recurrent episodes of loss of consciousness or fainting

Relative Risk Conditions

Complicated migraine headaches, particularly if severe, frequent or presenting with neurological manifestations eg, motor, sensory or cognitive disturbance.

- History of head injury with sequelae other than seizure
- Herniated nucleus pulposus
- Intracranial tumor or aneurysm
- Peripheral neuropathy
- Multiple sclerosis
- Trigeminal neuralgia
- History of spinal cord or brain injury
- Parkinson's disease

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ORTHOPEDIC

Mobility above and under the water is an essential requirement for any sport or recreational diver. Entering the water from shore or a dive boat, underwater propulsion and exiting into a dive boat or onto shore should be possible without great difficulty.

Relative impairment of mobility, particularly on a boat or ashore with equipment weighing up to 30 kg/66 lb (or significantly more in the case of cold water or for more equipment intensive activities, for example), must be assessed. Orthopedic conditions of a degree sufficient to impair exercise performance may increase the risk.

In some cases, like amputations resulting in various degrees of disability, it would be advisable to judge case by case by a physician trained in diving medicine.

Relative Risk Conditions

- Amputation
- Scoliosis: must also assess impact on respiratory function and exercise performance

- Aseptic necrosis: possible risk of accelerated progression due to the effects of decompression
- Disc prolapse
- Habitual luxation (eg, shoulder, hip, patella)
- Degenerative joint diseases

Temporary Risk Conditions

- Back pain
- Fractures until complete healing of bone and soft tissue and positive weight bearing tests taking into consideration the weight of the used dive gear on land
- Muscle-tendon and ligament injuries
- Completion of physiotherapy/rehabilitation regimes

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OTOLARYNGOLOGICAL

Equalization of pressure must take place during ascent and descent between ambient water pressure and the external auditory canal, middle ear, and paranasal sinuses. Failure of this to occur results at least in pain and in the worst-case rupture of the occluded space with disabling and possible lethal consequences. The inner ear is fluid filled and therefore noncompressible. The flexible interfaces between the middle and inner ear, the round and oval windows are, however, subject to pressure changes. Previously ruptured but healed round or oval window membranes may be prone to reinjury with marked overpressurization during vigorous or explosive Valsalva maneuvers. The larynx and pharynx must be free of obstruction to airflow. The laryngeal and epiglottic structures must function normally to prevent aspiration. Mandibular and maxillary function must be capable of allowing the candidate to hold a scuba regulator mouthpiece. Individuals who have had mid-face fractures may be prone to barotrauma and rupture of the air-filled cavities involved.

Severe Risk Conditions

- Monomeric tympanic membrane (TM)
- Open TM perforation
- Tube myringotomy
- History of stapedectomy
- History of ossicular chain surgery
- History of inner ear surgery
- Facial nerve paralysis secondary to barotrauma
- Inner ear disease other than presbycusis
- Uncorrected upper airway obstruction
- Laryngectomy or status post partial laryngectomy
- Tracheostomy
- Uncorrected laryngocele
- History of vestibular decompression sickness
- Symptomatic nasal or sinus polyps
- Ménière's disease

Relative Risk Conditions

- Recurrent otitis externa
- Significant obstruction of external auditory canal

- History of significant cold injury to pinna
- Eustachian tube dysfunction
- Recurrent otitis media or sinusitis
- History of TM perforation
- History of tympanoplasty
- History of mastoidectomy
- Significant conductive or sensorineural hearing impairment
- Facial nerve paralysis not associated with barotrauma
- Full prosthodontic devices
- History of mid-face fracture
- Unhealed oral surgery sites
- History of head and/or neck therapeutic radiation
- History of temporomandibular joint dysfunction
- History of round window rupture
- Symptomatic nasal septum deviation
- Recurrent benign positional vertigo
- Otosclerosis

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PULMONARY

Any process or lesion that impedes airflow from the lungs places the diver at risk for pulmonary over inflation with alveolar rupture and the possibility of cerebral air embolization. Many interstitial diseases predispose to spontaneous pneumothorax: asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), cystic or cavitating lung diseases may all cause air trapping.

Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society and British Thoracic Society guidelines recommend that asthmatics should be advised not to dive if they have wheeze precipitated by exercise, cold, or emotion. Asthmatic individuals who are currently well controlled and have normal pulmonary function tests may dive if they have a negative exercise test. Many people with asthma have well controlled disease and are physically fit. They may, however, show minor abnormalities on spirometry at rest or after exercise. Those with a history of severe or unpredictable acute exacerbations are not fit to dive. For those without such a history, the overriding consideration is that the candidate must be physically fit and not impaired after exercise or cold air breathing, which is the normal case of gas expanding from within a scuba cylinder. The best way to assess fitness is with an exercise test. Inhalation challenge tests (eg, using histamine, hypertonic saline or methacholine) are not sufficiently standardized to be interpreted in the context of scuba diving. If persons with breathing issues are cleared to dive, they need to take their regular inhalers and should not dive if suffering symptoms suggestive of exacerbation. Note that the FEV1/FVC ratio may be reduced below predicted, but provided there is no deterioration after exercise and the person performs well on the exercise test, a mildly obstructed spirometric tracing on its own is not a contraindication to diving.

A pneumothorax that occurs while diving may be catastrophic. As the diver ascends, trapped gas expands and could produce a tension pneumothorax. In addition to the risk of pulmonary barotrauma, respiratory disease due to either structural disorders of the lung or chest wall or neuromuscular disease may impair exercise performance. Individuals who have experienced spontaneous pneumothorax are at risk of recurrence, and should avoid diving, even after a surgical procedure designed to prevent recurrence (such as pleurodesis). Surgical procedures either do not correct the underlying lung abnormality (eg, pleurodesis, apical pleurectomy) or may not totally correct it (eg, resection of blebs or bullae). A high-resolution CT (HRCT) scan of the lungs may reveal cysts or blebs that represent a risk. Persons who have no parenchymal abnormality on HRCT and have had bilateral surgical pleurodesis (including VATS pleurodesis) may be cleared to dive. However, in most cases, a history of spontaneous pneumothorax will be an absolute contraindication to diving. Traumatic pneumothorax is not a problem as the likelihood of subsequent spontaneous pneumothorax is vanishingly low.

Structural disorders of the chest or abdominal wall or neuromuscular disorders may impair cough, which could be life threatening if water is aspirated. Respiratory limitation due to disease is compounded by the combined effects of immersion (causing a restrictive deficit) and the increase in gas density, which increases in proportion to the ambient pressure (causing increased airway resistance). Formal exercise testing may be helpful.

The emergence of COVID-19 has placed an additional layer of complexity related to fitness to dive evaluations. It is beyond the scope of this document to prescribe or mandate specific tests or timelines related to fitness to dive determinations. What is of importance is awareness of the potential body systems effected by COVID-19, and to take a thoughtful and thorough history related to disease course, time since the infection resolved, and state of physical and mental health at the time of the examination.

Clinical factors that are important to consider include symptom severity during the infection and need for intensive care (e.g., ventilator support). Disease severity likely correlates with the extent of pulmonary injury and potential cardiac involvement, and in the case of intubation, may be associated with severe deconditioning, muscle atrophy and even post-traumatic stress. As such, assessment of the diver with a history of COVID-19, may require more than just a pulmonary evaluation. At the time of this publication, the medical community does not have sufficient data to support arbitrary requirements for specific testing, nor duration of post-infection convalescence after which individuals can be considered safe to return to diving.

The following documents provide current guidance on investigation of COVID-19 patients prior to diving. This is an area that is evolving and updated often; please see these resources for more current information and considerations regarding these issues.

UC San Diego Guidelines for Evaluation of Divers during COVID-19 pandemic

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, People Who Are at Higher Risk for Severe Illness

<u>European Committee for Hyperbaric Medicine and European Underwater and Baromedical Society, COVID-19 Pandemic</u> – Position Statements

For those looking for aseptic practices, the following resources may be useful:

Divers Alert Network Europe

Divers Alert Network Americas

Severe Risk Conditions

- History of spontaneous pneumothorax (see notes)
- Impaired exercise performance due to respiratory disease
- Respiratory impairment secondary to cold gas breathing
- Pulmonary hypertension

Relative Risk Conditions

- Asthma, reactive airway disease (RAD), exercise-induced bronchospasm (EIB) or COPD (see notes)
- Solid, cystic or cavitating lesion
- Pneumothorax secondary to:
 - Thoracic surgery
 - Trauma or pleural penetration (see notes)
 - Previous overinflation injury
- Obesity
- History of immersion pulmonary edema or restrictive disease
- Interstitial lung disease: may increase the risk of pneumothorax and likely to limit exertion
- Sleep apnea

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DIVERS ALERT NETWORK (DAN)

Divers Alert Network (DAN), a non-profit organization, provides medical information and advice for the benefit of the diving public. DAN is not a regulatory agency and does not set physical standards or guidelines for scuba diving. The responsibility for the decision of whether or not to dive is generally left up to the individual, the physician, as well as the dive provider. This decision, however, should be based on the most current diving medical information available.

DAN may be able to provide current medical literature and information that can be used to assist in this decision-making process. If desired, DAN may also provide referrals to local physicians who are knowledgeable in dive medicine and physiology. However, DAN cannot and does not decide whether an individual may or may not participate in the sport of scuba diving. For more information, please feel free to contact one of the DAN offices listed below.

DAN (US)

Physicians and other medical professionals associated with DAN are available for consultation by phone, during normal business hours Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM Eastern Time US.

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Deep Diver ☐ Computer Nitrox Diver Computer Diver Boat Diver ☐ Altitude Diver Advanced Buoyancy **Specialties:** ■ Master Scuba Diver ■ Rescue Diver DPV Diver □ Drift Diver ☐ Advanced Adventure Diver ☐ Advanced Diver **Student Info:** What additional SDI courses interest you? **Emergency Contact:** Dry Suit Diver Work/Cell Phone: Zip/Postal Code: Home Phone: **Home Phone:** Relationship: Occupation: What dive destinations interest you? ☐ Hawaii Australia ■ US East Coast Name: Address: Yellow Pages ☐ Internet our dive center? Friend/Family member How did you hear about our scuba courses or Address: Email: Name: City: Last / Family / Surname Other ☐ Radio ☐ Newspaper ☐ US West Coast Bahamas ■ Mexico ☐ Underwater Hunter & Collector ☐ Solo Diver ☐ Shore/Beach Diver ☐ Search & Recovery Diver ☐ Research Diver ☐ Night/ Limited Visibility Diver ■ Marine Ecosystems Awareness ☐ Full Face Mask Diver □ Equipment Specialist ☐ Instructor ■ Divemaster **Personal and Confidential** ☐ Ice Diver Assistant Instructor State/Province: Country: ☐ Other ■ Micronesia ■ Bermuda First / Given Work/Cell Phone: Referred by: Daytime Phone: Home Phone: Relationship: When? diving activities? Where? Have you ever participated in any ☐ New Zealand ☐ Red Sea Address: □ Canada Name: Initial ☐ ERDI ☐ Underwater Photographer ■ Wreck Diver Underwater Video ☐ Underwater Navigation Birth Date: ☐ Caribbean **Print Clearly** Married Single □ M □ F Day / Month / Year ☐ Florida Instructor Name フジン SDI Instr#



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Diver Medical

Participant Questionnaire

Recreational scuba diving and freediving requires good physical and mental health. There are a few medical conditions which can be hazardous while diving, listed below. Those who have, or are predisposed to, any of these conditions, should be evaluated by a physician. This Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire provides a basis to determine if you should seek out that evaluation. If you have any concerns about your diving fitness not represented on this form, consult with your physician before diving. If you are feeling ill, avoid diving. If you think you may have a contagious disease, protect yourself and others by not participating in dive training and/or dive activities. References to "diving" on this form encompass both recreational scuba diving and freediving. This form is principally designed as an initial medical screen for new divers, but is also appropriate for divers taking continuing education. For your safety, and that of others who may dive with you, answer all questions honestly.

Directions

Complete this questionnaire as a prerequisite to a recreational scuba diving or freediving course. Note to women: If you are pregnant, or attempting to become pregnant, do not dive.

	I have had problems with my lungs/breathing, heart, blood, or have been diagnosed with COVID-19.	Yes □ Go To Box A	No □
2.	I am over 45 years of age.	Yes □ Go To Box B	No □
3.	I struggle to perform moderate exercise (for example, walk 1.6 kilometer/one mile in 14 minutes or swim 200 meters/yards without resting), OR I have been unable to participate in a normal physical activity due to fitness or health reasons within the past 12 months.	Yes □*	No □
4.	I have had problems with my eyes, ears, or nasal passages/sinuses.	Yes □ Go To Box C	No □
5.	I have had surgery within the last 12 months, OR I have ongoing problems related to past surgery.	Yes □*	No□
6.	I have lost consciousness, had migraine headaches, seizures, stroke, significant head injury, or suffer from persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes ☐ Go To Box D	No □
7.	I am currently undergoing treatment (or have required treatment within the last five years) for psychological problems, personality disorder, panic attacks, or an addiction to drugs or alcohol; or, I have been diagnosed with a learning disability.	Yes □ Go To Box E	No □
8.	I have had back problems, hernia, ulcers, or diabetes.	Yes □ Go To Box F	No □
9.	I have had stomach or intestine problems, including recent diarrhea.	Yes □ Go To Box G	No □
10.	I am taking prescription medications (with the exception of birth control or anti-malarial drugs other than mefloquine (Lariam).	Yes □*	No □

Participant Signature

If you answered NO to all 10 questions above, a medical evaluation is not required. Please read and agree to the participant statement below by signing and dating it.

Participant Statement: I have answered all questions honestly, and understand that I accept responsibility for any consequences resulting from any questions I may have answered inaccurately or for my failure to disclose any existing or past health conditions.

Participant Signature (or, if a minor, participant's parent/guardian signature required.)	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)
Participant Name (Print)	Birthdate (dd/mm/yyyy)
Instructor Name (Print)	Facility Name (Print)

* If you answered YES to questions 3, 5 or 10 above OR to any of the questions in boxes A - G below, please read and agree to the statement above by signing and dating it AND take all three pages of this form (Participant Questionnaire and the Physician's Evaluation Form) to your physician for a medical evaluation. Participation in a diving course requires your physician's approval.

Box A – I have/have had:		
Chest surgery, heart surgery, heart valve surgery, stent placement, or a pneumothorax (collapsed lung).	Yes □*	No E
Asthma, wheezing, severe allergies, hay fever or congested airways within the last 12 months that limits my physical activity/exercise.	Yes □*	No E
A problem or illness involving my heart such as: angina, chest pain on exertion, heart failure, immersion pulmonary edema, heart attack or stroke, OR am taking medication for any heart condition.	Yes □*	No E
Recurrent bronchitis and currently coughing within the past 12 months, OR have been diagnosed with emphysema.	Yes □*	No □
A diagnosis of COVID-19.	Yes □*	No □
Box B – I am over 45 years of age AND:		
I currently smoke or inhale nicotine by other means.	Yes □*	No □
I have a high cholesterol level.	Yes □*	No □
I have high blood pressure.	Yes □*	No E
I have had a close blood relative die suddenly or of cardiac disease or stroke before the age of 50, OR have a family history of heart disease before age 50 (including abnormal heart rhythms, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathy).	Yes □*	No E
Box C – I have/have had:		
Sinus surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No E
Ear disease or ear surgery, hearing loss, or problems with balance.	Yes □*	No E
Recurrent sinusitis within the past 12 months.	Yes □*	No E
Eye surgery within the past 3 months.	Yes □*	No E
Box D – I have/have had:		
Head injury with loss of consciousness within the past 5 years.	Yes □*	No E
Persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes □*	No E
Recurring migraine headaches within the past 12 months, or take medications to prevent them.	Yes □*	No E
Blackouts or fainting (full/partial loss of consciousness) within the last 5 years.	Yes □*	No E
Epilepsy, seizures, or convulsions, OR take medications to prevent them.	Yes □*	No E

Box E – I have/have had:		
Behavioral health, mental or psychological problems requiring medical/psychiatric treatment.	Yes □*	No □
Major depression, suicidal ideation, panic attacks, uncontrolled bipolar disorder requiring medication/psychiatric treatment.	Yes □*	No □
Been diagnosed with a mental health condition or a learning/ developmental disorder that requires ongoing care.	Yes □*	No □
An addiction to drugs or alcohol requiring treatment within the last 5 years.	Yes □*	No □
Box F – I have/have had:		
Recurrent back problems in the last 6 months that limit my everyday activity.	Yes □*	No □
Back or spinal surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No □
Diabetes, drug- or diet-controlled, OR gestational diabetes within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No □
An uncorrected hernia that limits my physical abilities.	Yes □*	No □
Active or untreated ulcers, problem wounds, or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No □
Box G – I have had:		
Ostomy surgery and do not have medical clearance to swim or engage in physical activity.	Yes □*	No □
Dehydration requiring medical intervention within the last 7 days.	Yes □*	No □
Active or untreated stomach or intestinal ulcers or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No □
Frequent heartburn, regurgitation, or gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD).	Yes □*	No □
Active or uncontrolled ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease.	Yes □*	No □
Bariatric surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No □











International Training DIVEMASTER TRAINING RECORD

Candidate Name:	
Instructor:	Member #:
Assistant:	Member #:

Divemaster Program:

Inst Initials	Student Prerequisites for DM	Date
	Minimum age 18	
	Certified SDI Rescue Diver or equivalent	
	Provided proof of at least 40 logged dives	
	Certified SDI Advanced Adventure Diver or equivalent	
	Advanced certification includes experience in deep, navigation, night, and limited visibility	
	Provide proof of current CPR, first aid, and oxygen provider (where local law permits)	
Inst Initials	Administrative Requirements	Date
	Collect the course fees from all the students	
	Ensure that the students have the required equipment	
	Communicate the schedule to the students	
	Complete SDI Dive Leader Application	
	Complete the SDI Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Form	
	Collect the SDI Medical Statement Form signed by a licensed physician prior to starting the course	
Inst Initials	Required Subject Areas	Date
	SDI Standards and Procedures	
	History of SDI	
	Code of Ethics and Professionalism of an SDI Divemaster	
	Products and Procedures	
	How to Place an Order	
	Yearly Renewals	
	Liability and Insurance	
	Risk Management	
	Waivers and Releases	
	Filling Out an Accident Report	
	Knowledge Development	
	Equipment	
	Physics and Physiology of Diving	
	Medical Problems Related to Diving	
	Use of Dive Computers and Tables	
	Diving Environment	







International Training DIVEMASTER TRAINING RECORD

	Dive Planning and Dive Management Control in Pool/Confined Water and Open Water	
	Problem Solving in Pool/Confined Water and Open Water	
	Underwater and Surface Communications	
	Diver Assistance	
	Avoiding Out of Air and Emergency Situations	
	Recommended Safe Diving Practices	
	Boat Diving Procedures	
	Shore/Beach Diving Procedures	
	Night Diving Procedures	
	Accident Management	
	Emergency Procedures	
	First Aid	
	Oxygen (O2) Administration	
	Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)	
	Leadership Development	
	Planning Group Dives	
	Divemaster Checklists and Logs	
nst Initials	Confined Water Requirements	Date
	800M swim with mask, snorkel, and fins, non-stop without the use of arms (Time in DM Standards)	
	400M swim on the surface; non-stop, any stroke, without swimming aids (Time in DM Standards)	
	In water, transport another diver in full scuba equipment at a quick pace for 4 minutes	
	Demonstrate a complete rescue scenario satisfactorily	
	Perform underwater skills with and without a mask	
	Swim on the surface, in full scuba equipment, using the snorkel, 100M	
	Surface a simulated unconscious diver and tow the diver 100M (Time/Depth in DM Standards)	
	Confined Water Skills (List in DM Standards)	
nst Initials	Open Water Requirements	Date
	Minimum of 10 open water dives conducted during DM training, minimum of 20 minutes each	
	Demonstrate, preparation, planning, group control, and problem solving for at least 3 OW diving activities as listed in DM standards	
	Demonstrate all skills from previous courses at divemaster quality (List in DM Standards)	
	Give a minimum of 5 briefs/debriefs	
	Practice and demonstrate, at DM quality the use of a surface marker buoy (SMB) delayed or permanent	
	Guide a minimum of 4 dives with varying sites and environmental conditions	
	Upon successful completion of dives, logbook completed and signed off by instructor	







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Inst Initials	Exit Requirements	Date
	SDI Divemaster written examination, or online version, score of 80 percent and 100 percent remediation	
	60 logged dives OR 50 logged dives and an accumulated underwater time of 25 hours	
	Show preparation, planning, and control in dive management and diving activities	
	Demonstrate to an active SDI Instructor the ability to solve in-water and out-of-water diver problems	
	Demonstrate mature and sound judgment concerning dive planning and execution	
	Operate as a Divemaster in a wide variety of environments	

Candidate Declaration:

I fully understand the standards and performance requirements for Divemater candidates and the evaluation methods by which my grades were derived. I have 100% understanding of the information presented throughout the Divemaster course. Any questions from the academic presentations and examinations were remediated by the Instructor. As indicated by my signature below, I am mentally and physically prepared to work as a Divemaster.

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International Training ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR TRAINING RECORD

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Instructor:	Member #:
Assistant:	Member #:

Assistant Instructor Program

Inst Initials	Student Prerequisites for Al	Date
	Minimum age 18	
	Certified SDI Divemaster or equivalent	
	Provided proof of at least 60 logged dives or 50 logged dives and 25 hours underwater time	
	Possess minimum instructional equipment as defined in the standards	
	Provide proof of current CPR, first aid and oxygen provider (where local law permits)	
Inst Initials	Administrative Requirements	Date
	Collect the course fees from all the students	
	Ensure that the students have the required equipment	
	Communicate the schedule to the students	
	Complete SDI Dive Leader Application	
	Complete the SDI Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Form	
	Collect the SDI Medical Statement Form signed by a licensed physician prior to starting the course	
Inst Initials	Required Subject Areas	Date
	SDI Standards and Procedures	
	History of SDI	
	Products and Procedures	
	How to Place an Order	
	Yearly Renewals	
	SDI Requirements for SDI Assistant Instructor Certification	
	SDI Code of Ethics and Professional Responsibilities of an SDI Assistant Instructor	
	Liability and Insurance	
	Risk Management	
	Waivers and Releases	
	Filling Out an Accident Report	
	Course Planning	
	Preparation, Planning, and Control in Dive Management and Diving Activities	
	Pool/Confined Water and Open Water Procedures	
	Practical Experience in Assisting with the Training of Open Water Dives	
	Pool/Confined Water and Open Water Problem Solving	







<u>International Training</u> ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR TRAINING RECORD

	How to Conduct a Snorkeling Course	
	How to Conduct an Inactive Diver/Refresher Course	
	Emergency Procedures	
	First Aid	
	Oxygen (O2) Administration	
	Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)	
Grade	Limited Academic Presentation	Date
	Торіс	
Grade	Limited Confined Water Presentation	Date
	Торіс	
Grade	Limited Open Water Presentation	Date
	Торіс	
Inst Initials	Required Skill Performance and Graduation Requirements	Date
	800M swim with mask, snorkel, and fins, non-stop without the use of arms (Time in AI Standards)	
	400M swim on the surface; non-stop, any stroke, without swimming aids (Time in AI Standards)	
	Surface a simulated unconscious diver and tow the diver 100M (Time/Depth in AI Standards)	
	Demonstrate all open water diver skills to instructor quality	
	Assist with one complete SDI Open Water Scuba Diver Course	
	Assist with four complete SDI Specialty Courses	
	Assist with one complete SDI Rescue Course	
	Perform one presentation in each of the courses assisted under direct supervision of the instructor	
	Demonstrate to an active SDI Instructor the ability to assist in all required courses	
	Demonstrate mature and sound judgment concerning dive planning and execution	
	Provide proof of 60 logged dives	
	Complete the SDI Assistant Instructor written examination, or online version, score of 80 percent and 100 percent remediation	

Candidate Declaration:

I fully understand the standards and performance requirements for Assistant Instructor candidates and the evaluation methods by which my grades were derived. I have 100% understanding of the information presented throughout the Assistant Instructor course. Any questions from the academic presentations and examinations were remediated by the Instructor. As indicated by my signature below, I am mentally and physically prepared to work as an SDI Assistant Instructor.

Signature:	Date:
Instructor Declaration: As indicated by my signature below, I certify that the above quirements of the Assistant Instructor course as detailed in	
Signature:	Date:
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International Training INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT COURSE (IDC) INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION COURSE (IEC)

Candidate Name:	Member #:
Course Director / IT:	Member #:
nstructor Trainer:	Member #:

Instructor Development Course:

T Initials	Instructor Candidate Prerequisites	Date
	Minimum Age 18	
	Certified diver for a minimum of 6 months	
	Provide proof of 100 logged dives completed in multiple environments with varying depths	
	Be certified as an SDI Divemaster, SDI Assistant Instructor, or equivalent	-
	Provide proof of current CPR, first aid, and oxygen provider (where local laws permit)	
T Initials	Administrative Requirements	Date
	Collect the course fees from all the students	
	Ensure that the students have the required equipment	
	Communicate the schedule to the students	
	Complete the SDI Dive Leader Application	
	Complete the SDI Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Form	
	Complete the SDI Medical Statement Form signed by a licensed physician prior to starting the course	
T Initials	Required Subject Areas (IDC)	Date
	SDI Standards and Procedures	
	History of SDI	
	Products and Procedures	
	Website Overview	
	How to Place an Order	
	Registration Procedures	
	Yearly Renewals	
	Liability and Insurance	
	Risk Management	
	Waivers and Releases	
	Folders, Slates, and Other Paperwork	
	Filling Out an Accident/Incident Report	
	Methods of Instruction	
	Teaching Theory, Methods, and Oral Communications	
	Flexible Teaching and Standards	
	Lesson Preparation in Classroom, Confined Water, and Open Water	







International Training INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT COURSE (IDC)

INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION COURSE (IEC)

Candidate Declaration:

and physically prepared to participate in the Instructor Evaluation Course (IEC).

I fully understand the standards and performance requirements for instructor candidates and the evaluation methods by which my grades were derived. I have 100% understanding of the information presented throughout the Instructor Development Course (IDC). Any questions from the academic presentations and examinations

were remediated by the Course Director or Instructor Trainer. As indicated by my signature below, I am mentally

Signature: _____ Date: _____ **Course Director / Instructor Trainer Declaration:** As indicated by my signature below, I certify that the above named candidate has successfully completed all requirements of the Instructor Development Course (IDC) as detailed in current SDI Standards and Procedures. Signature: ______ Date: _____ **Instructor Evaluation Course:** Academic Presentation (IEC) – Minimum 15 minutes in duration Date Grade Topic: Complete Confined Water Presentation (IEC) Grade Date Topic(s): Complete Open Water Presentation (IEC) Date Grade Topic(s): **Candidate Declaration:** As indicated by my signature below, I fully understand the standards and performance requirements for the Instructor Evaluation Course (IEC) and the evaluation methods by which my grades were derived. I have 100% understanding of the information presented throughout the IEC. Any questions from the presentations and examinations were remediated by the Instructor Trainer. Signature: _____ Date: _____ **Instructor Trainer Declaration:** As indicated by my signature below, I certify that the above named candidate has successfully completed all re-

quirements of and the Instructor Evaluation Course (IEC) as detailed in current SDI Standards and Procedures.

Signature: _____ Date: _____







INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT COURSE (IDC) INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION COURSE (IEC)

	Use of Training Aids	
	Use of Assistants	
	SDI Home Study Program and Use of Knowledge Quest	
	eLearning and Blended Learning	
	Courses an Open Water Scuba Diver Instructor Can Teach	
	Successfully Selling Scuba	
	Budgeting Courses	
	Recruiting Students	
	Organizing and Scheduling a Course	
	Retail Sales	
	Instructor Ethics	
	Physics and Physiology of Diving	
Grade	Academic Presentations (IDC)	Date
	Topic:	
	Topic:	
Grade	Confined Water Presentations (IDC)	Date
Grade	Topic:	Date
	Topic:	
Grade	Open Water Presentations (IDC)	Date
Grade	Topic:	Date
	Topic:	
IT Initials	Required Skill Performance and Graduation Requirements (IDC)	Date
TT ITTICIOIS	Show preparation, planning, and control in dive management and diving activities	Date
	Perform to demonstration quality one complete rescue scenario	
	Perform a 10-minute survival float without the use of swim aids	
	400M swim on the surface; non-stop, any stroke, without swimming aids (Time in OWSDI Standards)	
	800M swim with mask, fins, and snorkel, non-stop, without the use of arms (Time in OWSDI Standards)	
	Surface a simulated unconscious diver and tow the diver 100M (Time/Depth in OWSDI Standards)	
	Pool / Confined Water: Perform to demonstration quality all the skills listed in the SDI Open Water Scuba Diver course	
	Pool/Confined Water: Problem solving	
	Open Water: Perform to demonstration quality all the skills listed in the SDI Open Water Scuba Diver course	
	Open Water: Problem solving	
	Demonstration mature and sound judgement concerning class planning and execution	
	Satisfactorily complete the SDI Instructor written exam or the online equivalent	







UNIQUE SPECIALTY/OPS COURSE APPLICATION AND GUIDELINES

Method of Payment ☐ AMEX ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Check ☐ Money Order Make Checks Payable to International Training Card Number:______ Exp. Date:_____ Signature:______ Date:_____ Instructor Name:_____ Member #:_____ Mailing Address:_____ Phone number:_____ E-mail address:_____ Request for a Unique Specialty Instructor Upgrade: Instructors may apply for approval of their own unique specialty or ops course by submitting a draft out-line to the SDI/TDI/ERDI Headquarters Training Department or their Regional Representative. The following criteria applies: **Instructor Requirements:** ☐ Be in active teaching status with the agency the specialty is being created for – i.e.; SDI, TDI or ERDI ☐ Provide a detailed resume of experience and proof of a minimum 25 dives in the unique specialty activity being applied for ☐ Submit a draft outline, using the format in the attached guideline, for approval by headquarters ☐ Provide reasons why the unique outline should be accepted – i.e.; geographical, cultural, market opportunity, etc. ☐ Complete the Course Details section below. ☐ Pay application fee – contact RO or WorldHQ for current pricing and payment information Course Details: Course Name: Course Agency: Reason(s) for creating unique specialty/ops course: Instructor Signature:______ Date:_____

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should submit outlines to their Regional Representative







UNIQUE SPECIALTY/OPS COURSE APPLICATION AND GUIDELINES

Draft outlines are subject to a review process as follows:

- 1. Receipt, review, and edit by Training Department staff
- 2. Return to originator for correction, extra information, etc.
- 3. Final review and approval or rejection by Training Department as applicable

The approval process for a unique outline may take several weeks, depending on Training Department commitments and/or the amount of reviews/edits required for the particular submission. Approval is not guaranteed at any point during the review process. Any outline approved for use becomes property of, and copyrighted by International Training and may be used by other instructors on the authority of the Training Department.

The following guide should be used to create the draft outline. Grey boxes denote required elements, all of which must be included. Text shown in italics is included as a guide and may be deleted from the draft by the author. (An 'electronic' version of the guide is available in the members' area of www.tdisdi.com, in which grey boxes denoting required elements may be completed.)







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NAME of SPECIALTY (specify SDI, TDI or ERDI)

Introduction

Include an overview of the specialty and the intended purpose

Who May Teach

An active Instructor that has been certified to teach this specialty (insert SDI, TDI or ERDI as applicable)

Student to Instructor Ratio

Academic

1. Unlimited, so long as adequate facility, supplies, and time are provided to ensure comprehensive and complete training of the subject matter

Confined Water (swimming pool-like conditions)

- 1. A maximum of students per instructor
- 2. Instructors have the option of adding more students with the assistance of an active assistant instructor or Divernaster*
- **3.** The total number of students an instructor may have in the water is with the assistance of active assistant instructors or Divermasters*

Open Water (ocean, lake, quarry, spring, river, or estuary)

- 1. A maximum of students per instructor; it is the instructor's discretion to reduce this number as conditions dictate
- 2. The instructor has the option of adding more students with the assistance of an active assistant *
- **3.** The total number of students an instructor may have in the water is with the assistance of active assistants * An active assistant is defined as: *
- **4.** *Delete if not applicable

Student Prerequisites

- 1. Detail the minimum certification required to enroll
- 2. Detail the minimum age required to enroll (including age with parental consent if applicable)
- 3. Detail the minimum number of logged dives required to enroll

Course Structure and Duration

- 1. Confined or open water execution dives are required with complete brief and debrief by the instructor
- 2. Detail the minimum number of classroom hours if applicable
- **3.** Detail any restrictions on the dives, ie max depth, etc if applicable







UNIQUE SPECIALTY/OPS COURSE APPLICATION AND GUIDELINES

Administrative Requirements

Administrative Tasks:

- 1. Collect the course fees from all the students
- 2. Ensure that the students have the required equipment
- 3. Communicate the schedule to the students
- **4.** Have the students complete the applicable:
 - A. Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Form
 - **B.** Medical Statement Form

Upon successful completion of this specialty the instructor must:

Issue the appropriate certification by submitting the Diver Registration Form to International Training Head- quarters, the appropriate regional office or registering the students online through member's area of www.tdisdi.com (insert SDI, TDI or ERDI as applicable)

Required Equipment and Materials

Detail the minimum equipment requirements and materials for the course

Approved Outline

Instructors may use any additional text or materials that they feel help present these topics. The following topics must be covered:

Detail all main subject areas to be covered, including sub-topics as applicable

Required Skill Performance and Graduation Requirements

Students are required to successfully complete the following:

Detail each required dive, by Number - ie Dive 1, Dive 2, etc and list all required skills. FOR

EXAMPLE: Open Water Dive 1

- **A.** Test and check all equipment, i.e. depth gauges, bottom timers/watches and computers
- **B.** Familiarization with area
- **C.** Descend to planed depth and do not exceed any pre-planned limits
- **D.** Dive according to plan at a depth limited to 30 metres / 100 feet for first dive.
- **E.** Ascend to safety stop

Detail any academic requirements for graduation