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OPEN WATER

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COURSE OVERVIEW

The PADI Openwater Diver course teaches you the basics of Scuba Diving and upon certification enables you to sample the delights of the underwater world in almost any country around the world. The amount of time required to complete the course is based on class size, student aptitude, logistical considerations and student performance.

The course consists of 14 sessions :

5 ACADEMIC SESSIONS (CLASSROOM)

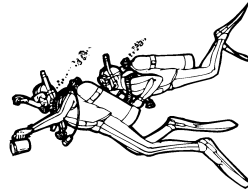
There are five classroom lessons each lasting a period of approximately one and a half hours, and these are normally run prior to pool sessions.

5 CONFINED WATER SESSIONS (POOL)

There are five confined water sessions usually conducted over an hour in a swimming pool. We recommend the wearing of a T-shirt in the pool to prevent the equipment causing discomfort. These are conducted on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings (7.30-9pm)

4 OPENWATER DIVES

Here is where you will put the classroom and the pool training into practice. The openwater sessions consist of one surface session and four dives in the sea or fresh water site. Openwater dives can be scheduled at any time to suit participants, also dives may be conducted on Holiday (see Referrals)



COURSE SCHEDULE OPTION

A. ONE DAY PER WEEK - Average class size consists of two to six students for the classroom sessions and four to six students for the pool. On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings classroom sessions start at 6pm followed by the pool.

B. TWO DAY PER WEEK - As above but attending both Tuesday & Wednesday, classroom arranged to suit.

C. INTENSIVE COURSES - ONE WEEK — These courses are full time and commence on Tuesday afternoons and are finished by

the following Saturday or Sunday. Classroom sessions can be organised at times which are convenient for the participants as can the Open Water Dives.

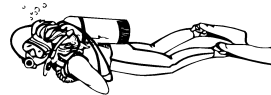
Course Costs:	A	B	C
Full Course	£250	£250	£299
Referral	£175	£175	£175

WHAT IS A REFERRAL?



A referral is when do complete all the Classroom and Pool work here, then go abroad to complete the Open Water work, whilst on holiday.

*If you complete a referral with us or elsewhere and want to complete the Open Water dives with us there is a further charge of £100 (£25 per dive)



INCLUDES:

- Openwater Crew Pack and certification
- Classroom & Pool sessions
- Open Water Dives



EXCLUDES:

Mask and snorkel, which can be purchased from ourselves at a special rate



COURSE DATES:

We have courses starting all the time, but if you have a particular date you need to start or finish, please contact the shop for a list of course start dates or come in the shop and we will arrange a start date for you there and then.



COURSE STANDARDS

The purpose of the Openwater Diver Course is to provide you the student with the elemental knowledge and skills to safely gain experience in the diving environment and ultimately to dive independently. The course is performance based and is designed to take you through from simple to more complex diving objectives, such as entering the water to achieving neutral buoyancy.

Initial openwater training is based on mastering skills and gaining diving experience at gradually increasing depths.

Any diver who is certified to Openwater level must understand that they are qualified to:

- 1) Apply the knowledge and skills they are taught during the Openwater course.
- 2) Procure air, equipment and other services.
- 3) Engage in recreational diving without supervision.
- 4) Plan, conduct and log openwater dives.
- 5) Participate in the PADI Advanced Course as well as various Specialty Courses.



PREREQUISITES

To qualify for the Openwater Diver training an individual must:

- 1) Be 10 years of age or older.
- 2) Have completed the PADI Statement of Understanding.
- 3) Have signed the PADI Liability Release.
- 4) Completed the Medical History form.