

OPEN WATER COURSE

The PADI Open Water Course is the most popular diving course in the world and is the first step in the PADI continuing education programme, with over 35 different diver education courses. Once you complete this course you will be a fully qualified diver and receive a credit card sized ID, which includes your photograph and diving qualifications. This card is your lifelong passport to experience the undersea world at home or abroad. This course is open to anyone aged 10 and upwards. Quite simply, this internationally recognised qualification allows you to rent diving equipment, purchase air fills, go on organised dives and to dive with someone of similar qualification or above, worldwide.

THE COURSE COMPRISES OF: 5 ACADEMIC MODULES

These include powerpoint slides, lectures and quizzes, which provide you with the basic principles and essential knowledge needed for safe and enjoyable diving, the sessions are held in our classroom and last around 1 hour each.

5 POOL DIVES TO DEVELOP SKILLS

This is where you apply and practice what you have learned in the classroom. Each session lasts up to 1 hour and usually follow the academics.

4 OPEN WATER DIVES

Here you demonstrate mastery of the skills you have learned in the classroom and pool. The open water dives can be carried out at a number of fresh and coastal sites both locally and around Britain. Students should also be aware they are responsible for their own transport to and from the dive sites, any accommodation and food. Carpooling is usually available among students.

ADVANCED OPEN WATER - ADVENTURE DIVER

The Advanced Open Water Programmes are the ideal way to either gain more experience or as a way to gain further insight and skills into a number of new and challenging areas of diving. If you are a newly certified diver then this option allows you to gain experience and knowledge under the supervision of an instructor and will increase your confidence and skills. You can also credit each of the dives you do on this course towards a relevant Speciality Course. The first dive for most Specialities is the same as the advanced dive, so when you come to do the speciality there is one less dive. Anyone who has an entry level qualification in diving with a minimum of four open water dives can start the course. Those who are between the age of twelve and fifteen will be awarded the JUNIOR ADVANCED OPEN WATER certification and must be buddied by an adult until they are sixteen.

RESCUE DIVER

Once you have completed entry level and advanced training and been logging a few dives in the process, you can progress into the PADI Rescue course where you will learn how to foresee, prevent and manage potential diving incidents. This is done firstly through knowledge development in all areas of emergency management, prevention and preparation. Then through a number of Open Water scenarios ranging from tired diver on the surface to unconscious diver underwater, you will finally put this learning into practice through emergency scenarios incorporating all of the skills and knowledge that you have learnt throughout the course.

EMERGENCY FIRST AID RESPONSE WITH AED

EFR gives you the tools you need to perform CPR and First Aid. Whether you're a diver or a non-diver, EFR prepares you to properly handle life-threatening situations. There is no minimum certification or age limit to begin the course. This comprehensive programme is composed of two core modules (primary care and secondary care) plus care for children that can be taught in tandem or stand alone courses. Together, these courses provide extensive instruction in CPR and First Aid as well as providing optional Automated External Defibrillation and emergency oxygen use.

DIVE MASTER

This course is the first step into the PADI professional diver training system and is designed to turn certified divers into supervisory personnel. This is achieved by focusing not only on personal watermanship and knowledge but also by acting as a certified assistant during all levels of dive training. The course is divided into a number of areas that test your own diving skills and expand your knowledge whilst also giving hands on experience. You will be assisting an instructor in all aspects of diver training from dive planning and equipment preparation to assessing student performance and ensuring safety. To qualify for PADI Dive Master training, you must be at least and a certified Rescue Diver with a minimum of 20 logged dives. You must also have a valid First Aid and CPR certificate such as the PADI Emergency First Response. Before certification you must have a minimum of 60 logged dives.

SPECIALITY COURSES DRIFT DIVER

For this dive, place, times and tides must be right, as you will be pushed effortlessly through the water using a reel and smb to let the boat know where you are.

DRY SUIT DIVER

This gives you the chance to try a dry suit out or practice skills if you already use a dry suit. A confined water session is required before this dive.

MULTI LEVEL DIVER

Allows you to increase your dive time and plane dives using the wheel or computer. This is perfect for wall dives.

NIGHT DIVE

Everyone's favourite dive. Allows you to explore the same site that you dived during the day and see a host of different aquatic life and colours.

SEARCH AND RECOVERY

Learn to locate objects using a variety of techniques, then raise them using lift bags.

UNDERWATER NATURALIST

This dive concentrates on the aquatic ecosystem. It will help you recognise and understand many of the plants and animals that you see when you are diving.

UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

If there is something worth diving on then it is probably worth photographing. Not only will you learn a number of photography techniques but you will be left with a lasting record of your dive.

WRECK DIVER

These dives allow you to visit a piece of history that very few have seen. You will learn about safety and navigation around wrecks as well as laws governing wrecks.

PEAK PERFORMANCE BOUANCY

The purpose of this dive is to polish a diver's buoyancy control beyond the Open Water level through knowledge development and practice.

EANX DIVER

Learn how to plan, analyse and use enriched air Nitrox mixes to lengthen your dive time, also the safety aspects of oxygen use for diving.

BOAT DIVER

The purpose of these dives is to educate you about diving from boats, the safety aspects, exits/entries, knowing your way around boats and what to expect from boat diving.