



# BLUE WATER DIVERS

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## DIVEMASTER COURSE

The Divemaster program is the first level of professional membership in the diving community. In addition to coordinating, supervising and guiding diving activities, the Divemaster plays a crucial role in the training of new divers, as a certified assistant to the instructor. Divemasters are individuals who:

- Have a high level of personal diving skills
- Have a detailed knowledge of diving theory; the same level as an instructor
- Have significant training and experience assisting an instructor during diver training activities
- Assume responsibility for the welfare of other divers in their charge

### **Course Outline:**

Your Divemaster course consists of classroom presentations, pool sessions and practical experience. In the classroom sessions, over a minimum of six classes, you will learn about the practical aspects of diving supervision and control and the elements of diving theory. There are eight tests involved: dive planning, dive control and management, supervision of students in training, diving physics, diving physiology, equipment, diving skills and environment, and the Recreational Dive Planner.

The pool sessions will sharpen your diving skills; you will be able to perform all the Open Water skills at demonstration quality. In addition, you will review rescue techniques and conduct an underwater problem solving exercise. Swim tests will evaluate your stamina.

The practical experience comprises two applications: an internship with an instructor through at least two complete Open Water courses and open water training dives, 1 continuing education class, and a map making and emergency response plan exercise.

### **Prerequisites:**

1. Must be a certified PADI Advanced Open Water Diver (or equivalent) and a PADI Rescue Diver (or equivalent).
2. You must have completed and logged at least 60 open water dives-all which must be documented.
3. Minimum age requirement is 18 years old

**Cost:** \$495.00, Divemaster Deluxe Package \$349 which includes slates Encyclopedia of Recreational Diving, Workbook DVD, Professional Log and PADI Bag.

### **Cancellation/No-Shows**

Students enrolled in a course who cancel or fail to advise Blue Water Divers of their inability to attend the course within one week of course start date are subject to forfeiture of deposit. Decisions to enforce this policy are made at the discretion of the management.