

2009 PADI Open Water Scuba Course: Responsibilities, Syllabus and Policies

Welcome to the PADI Open Water Diver Course. Diver training courses are meant to be fun, but like any form of learning, you will need to invest some time and effort into reading and studying. Please read the following information below:

Student Responsibilities:

1. Fully complete the student record folder before class one. If students check yes to any medical questions on the folder they will need their doctor to sign the PADI Medical form before you can participate in the course. Students will not be able to attend the class if MASS Diving does not receive the medical form prior to class one. The form can be found on our website under instruction at the bottom of the page.

The student agrees to study independently as specified by the instructor or MASS Diving Staff. In general, this means that before each class session, the student will:

Option 1

1. Watch the PADI Open Water DVD
2. Read the PADI Open Water Manual, complete all quizzes in the book, and complete all Knowledge Review sections at the end of each chapter. Knowledge Reviews will be discussed and collected in class.

Option 2

Complete the PADI Online Scuba Course and bring in the referral form to class one.

eLearners must pick up their student kit before the first night of class. The dive tables will be helpful with chapter 4 of the course.

***Note:** Students are required to complete all the reading and knowledge reviews or the online program before class one.

In addition, the student agrees to:

1. Follow all course procedures as set forth by the instructor.
2. Actively participate in class.
3. Show up for all sessions **on time**. Please allow extra time for Friday evening traffic.
4. Students must bring their mask, snorkel, fins, boots, gloves, bathing suit, towel, and student kit to every class session.

Course Dates and Times: Refer to our Open Water Course Flyers or our website for your exact date and time.

Course Structure

Friday Classroom: eLearner's orientation or Traditional Class Chapter 1 and quiz 1.

Pool Session: Equipment setup, 10 minute tread water swim evaluation, Modular one skill development and practice session.

First Sunday: Chapter 2, and 3 knowledge reviews, and quiz 2-3. Pass out dive table homework assignment

Pool Sessions: Module two and three skill development and practice sessions.

Second Sunday Classroom: Chapter 4 and 5 knowledge reviews, and quiz 4, Review dive table homework, review, final exam, and paperwork completion.

Pool Session: Swim evaluation 8 lengths, modular four and five skill development including emergency swimming ascents, and practice. New England Divers - Hoods and gloves practice.

Note: Online Students must attend Friday Night Orientation at 6:30pm at MASS Diving & all three pool sessions.

Tuition Policy

There are no refunds on scuba courses.

Up to 14 Days: Students may transfer into another class up to 14 days prior to their course start date without a rescheduling fee.

0 to 13 Days: Students can transfer into a future class for a **re-scheduling fee of \$50.00.**

Charter Boat Fees (if applicable): Charter boat fees are non-refundable unless another diver can fill your spot.

Additional Training: At the end of this course, the instructor will determine if you are prepared to complete the ocean training. If you require additional pool sessions to perfect your skills, you may sign up for additional pool training for \$50.00 per night or private at \$75.00 per night. A pool fee may be charged if we cannot schedule your session during our scheduled pool hours. Estimated pool fee \$80.00 per hour.

MASS Diving Cancellation/Postpone Policy: MASS Diving reserves the right to cancel or postpone a class due to weather, lightning, pool closing, below minimum enrollment levels (under 4), or any other circumstance that may cause the course to be postponed. In the event of a cancellation, the student may switch to another date or receive a full refund on the instructional portion of the course. Materials fee is only refundable if returned in its original condition.

Signature _____

Date: _____