



INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT COURSE INFORMATION PACK



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Welcome to Brisbane Dive Academy Brisbane's premiere 5 Star Instructor Development Centre

Thank you for expressing your interest in the Brisbane Dive Academy PADI Instructor Development Course.

Brisbane Dive Academy goes to great lengths to ensure first class training at all levels from Open Water through to Instructor and beyond, helping instructors with their professional development and life after the IE.

With fantastic diving on our door step and modern fresh classrooms our friendly, professional staff, make Brisbane Dive Academy the first choice for diver training in South East Queensland.

The PADI IDC is the penultimate step in gaining certification as a PADI instructor and is the key that opens the door to your new lifestyle of introducing people to the wonder that is the underwater world.

By choosing Brisbane Dive Academy and its instructional staff as your mentor, your professional diver education will be truly first class. Our candidates have a high success rate and regularly receive very high marks in the IE with some even achieving perfect scores.

Once you are certified as an Instructor you will then be invited back to work with our Senior Instructional staff to ensure that you receive hands on experience with real students.

We look forward to helping you on your way to a great lifestyle teaching divers and sharing your passion.

Please contact us if you have any questions or to book on to an IDC

Yours in diving

Mick Wheatley
PADI Course Director
Director of Training Brisbane Dive Academy

Why should you choose Brisbane Dive Academy

Choosing the 5 Star Instructor Development Centre that is going to conduct your instructor level training is one of the most important decisions that you will make. Brisbane Dive Academy not only has the most experienced staff in Brisbane but we are the only dive centre in South East Queensland to have a fulltime Course Director on staff.

Below are a few words from some of our past students

Volkan Coskun - PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor

We moved from Turkey to Brisbane in 2009. I decided to go pro in 2008 and went through my dive master training in Turkey. I decided to take my IDC in Australia since I was planning to instruct in Australia. I am so glad that I made this decision and I am equally glad that I stepped in Brisbane Dive Academy for doing my IDC and met Michael Wheatley (Mick).

Mick's guidance throughout my path toward PADI instructor is invaluable. I did my assistant instructor course with Mick and he was also IDC staff in OWSI part of my IDC which was run by David James (Dave). Throughout my IDC, both Mick and Dave were professional yet supportive, encouraging and friendly. It has been an enjoyable and knowledgeable preparation for my instructor career.

This IDC experience developed my theoretical, practical and teaching skills as an instructor and I would recommend Mick and Dave to all instructor candidates for proper IDC training. IDC demonstrated me the philosophy and quality behind PADI education and inspired me for advancing in my career with further training.

Brett Muller - PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor

I recently successfully completed my IDC with Brisbane Dive Academy and then went on to Successfully complete my Instructor Exams with PADI.

Without the expert guidance and real life experience provided by Brisbane Dive Academy the course would have been very stressful, instead the staff made it enjoyable and provided me with some real world experiences that have guided me into my Instructing career. I would highly recommend Mike and his team for any courses that he provides, as their professional attitude, friendly approach and willingness to work with you towards your goals set them apart from other providers.

About the PADI Instructor Development Course

Overview

PADI Instructor Development Courses (IDCs) prepare candidates to function as PADI Assistant Instructors and Open Water Scuba Instructors. Candidates build on their instructor-level dive theory knowledge, role-model watermanship and rescue skills, and leadership abilities by learning how to teach in confined water, in the classroom and in open water.

During the IDC, instructor candidates gain a complete understanding of PADI's educational goals and philosophies. Beginning with online independent study through PADI eLearning or live-delivery segments, the IDC can be separated into an Assistant Instructor (AI) course and the Open Water Scuba Instructor (OWSI) program. Depending on the need or interest, training can be planned with breaks to gain more experience, or can be continuous all the way to instructor certification.

To ensure all students have the best chance of survival at the IE the PADI Search and Recovery Speciality Instructor Training Course is completed on day four of our IDC program.

Training options:

- PADI Divemasters may attend the AI course.
- PADI Divemasters may attend all IDC components and the IE.
- PADI Assistant Instructors may attend the OWSI program and IE.
- Scuba instructors or dive supervisors affiliated with other training organizations may attend an IDC and IE.
- Scuba instructors affiliated with other training organizations may attend an OWSI program and IE.

Preparation

Candidates who complete online independent study come prepared to spend class time on interactive workshops, practical application of standards and practicing teaching techniques. If online independent study is not possible for reasons such as no internet access or not being available in a language the candidates understand, the information may also be covered through staff-led sessions over a minimum of two days.

Whether through PADI eLearning or in-class delivery, independent study segments are often sequenced before other IDC components. For the staff, preparation includes staying up-to-date with PADI program revisions and standards changes and making note of new or revised information in the IDC curriculum. It also means adapting the curriculum to the local area, adding realistic examples and covering local protocols. Logistical preparations for an IDC are significant. Planning ahead and having back-up plans ready helps reduce stress and allow training to progress smoothly

We offer an IDC Preparation course two days prior to the commencement of each IDC where we focus on practical dive skills review, rescue refresher, Dive theory review and mock exams. This is invaluable in ensuring your success during the IDC.

Complete IDC — For candidates who have completed online independent study

Day One

Morning

Course Orientation
General Standards and Procedures

Afternoon

Open Water Diver Course
Teaching in Confined Water
Skill Demonstration Workshop (and 800 m/y swim)

Day Two

Morning

Confined Water Teaching Presentation 1
Developing Knowledge Development Presentations

Afternoon

Adventures in Diving Program
Conducting Open Water Dives
Risk Management
Exams

Day Three

Morning

Open Water Teaching Presentation
Discover Scuba Diving Workshop
Adventure Dive Workshop

Afternoon

Knowledge Development Teaching Presentation
4 Es Counseling Workshop 1
Rescue Diver Course

Day Four

Morning

Search and Recovery Speciality Instructor
Training Course Theory

Afternoon

Search and Recovery Speciality Instructor
Training Course Open Water Dives

Day Five

Morning

Open Water Teaching Presentation 2
Rescue Exercise Workshop

Afternoon

Confined Water Teaching Presentation 3
Knowledge Development Teaching Presentation 2

Day Six

Morning

Knowledge Development Teaching Presentation 3
4 Es Counseling Workshop 2

Afternoon

Divemaster Course
Confined Water Teaching Presentation 4

Day Seven (Optional if no make ups required)

Makeups
IE Preparation

Required materials list

It is our responsibility to ensure that each individual instructor candidate has, in their possession, a personal, current set of the following materials for study and use during the course and for reference afterward; unless the materials are not available in a language understood by the candidate:

- PADI *Instructor Manual*
- PADI's *Guide to Teaching*
- PADI *Specialty Course Instructor Manual*, or these specialty course instructor Guides: Peak Performance Buoyancy, Project AWARE and AWARE – Coral Reef Conservation
- PADI *Open Water Diver Manual*
- Recreational Dive Planner – RDP Table and eRDPML, including Instructions for use booklets
- *How to Use and Choose Dive Computers* book
- Open Water Diver Quizzes and Exam booklet
- *Adventures in Diving Manual*
- PADI *Rescue Diver Manual*
- Rescue Diver Final Exams booklet
- PADI *Divemaster Manual*
- Divemaster Final Exams booklet
- Aquatic Cue Cards for Open Water Diver, Adventures in Diving, Rescue Diver, Divemaster and Discover Scuba Diving • Confined Water Lesson Preparation slate
- Open Water Training Dive Lesson Planning slate
- *The Encyclopedia of Recreational Diving*
- *Diving Knowledge Workbook* or eRecord for Dive Theory Online
- *Search and Recovery Diver Speciality Manual*
- *Search and Recovery Speciality DVD*

Recommended materials list

- All PADI professional videos
- All PADI diver videos
- PADI Specialty Diver manuals
- Rescue Diver Course Prescriptive and standard Lesson Guides
- Divemaster Course Lesson Guides
- Discover Scuba Diving Flip Chart
- Discover Scuba Diving Brochure
- *Scuba Tune-up* guidebook
- Skill Evaluation Slate
- Open Water Diver Course Prescriptive and standard Lesson Guides
- *The Law and the Diving Professional*
- *The Best of The Undersea Journal*
- *The Business of Diving*
- *Children and Scuba Diving: A Resource Guide for Instructors and Parents*
- AWARE – *Our World, Our Water* manual – downloadable digital version
- Project AWARE's *10 Ways a Diver Can Help to Protect the Underwater environment*
- *Discover the Underwater World* video and *The Snorkeler's Field Guide*
- PADI Pro log book

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Course Prerequisites

- 100 logged dives
- Current EFR Instructor
- Current Administer Emergency Oxygen Certificate
- 2 Passport Size photos
- Professional Dive Medical AS2299.1 on file with the dive centre at the time of commencement and valid until at least the last day of your planned Instructor Examination. (You cannot get wet without it!)
- Certified Diver for at least 6 months.

PADI Instructor Examination

To attend the PADI Instructor Exam you need to complete the IDC register for and pay the exam fee to PADI to attend the Instructor Examination. For the latest fees, please refer to the PADI website, but it is \$710 as at 1 January 2010. To successfully complete the IE you must achieve the following

Dive Theory

You must score at least 75% on each of the five dive theory exams and the Standards exam (One exam resit is allowed if you fail one exam only excluding the PADI Standards Exam.)

Knowledge Development Presentation

You must get a score of 3.5 or higher on one presentation to pass. You will be allocated two topics with the second (makeup) topic to be presented if you don't get 3.5 on the first one.

Confined Water

You must get a score of 3.4 or higher on one presentation to pass. You will be allocated two topics with the second (makeup) topic to be presented if you don't get 3.4 on the first one.

Open Water

You must achieve an average score of not less than 3.4 for your two Open Water teaching presentations, no make ups allowed.

Rescue Assessment

You must demonstrate competence in the Rescue of a scuba diving victim.

Skill circuit

You will have to complete 5 skills and score a minimum of 3.0 on each skill. A makeup of all 5 skills will be allowed but a score of less than 3.0 on any skill after the make session will disqualify you from certification at that IE.

Your attitude and professional behavior will also be assessed during the IE and if deemed unacceptable will result in you not passing the IE. PADI also reserves the right to change these requirements from time to time.

Upon successful completion you will have to apply to PADI for membership as an Instructor and pay the appropriate fees and insurance upgrades.

Working as a Dive Professional in sunny Queensland

- Current PADI member
- Professional Dive Medical AS2299.1 within the last 12 months
- Liability Insurance which meets PADI standards
- Current First Aid at Work Certificate
- Current Administer Emergency Oxygen Certificate
- Blue Card (Highly recommended)

Minimum Required Equipment

- BCD
- Balanced 1st Stage
- 2nd Stage with Alternate Air source
- Dive Computer and Compass
- Mask, Snorkel & Fins and Boots
- Dive Gloves
- Safety Sausage, Dive Whistle, Dive Knife
- Appropriate exposure protection
- Underwater signaling device
- Dive Slate
- 1 Primary Dive Torch & 1 Back Up Dive Torch
- Log Book
- 3 Pens & Large Writing Pad
- Rash Shirt
- Sunscreen

We include tanks and weights in our course fees. We can also hire some of this equipment to you but as a dive professional you really should have your own equipment. Please speak to our staff to discuss further.