

# **Camp Emerald Bay SCUBA Program**

The following packet needs to be completed and brought with you to camp (ALL 19 pages), you will give the forms to your instructors upon arrival.

- I. This packet contains the following:
  - BSA SCUBA Risk Policy
  - BSA Guide to Safe Scouting
  - **BSA ABC Medical Form** All sections must be completed and part C needs to be signed by a physician
  - Recreational SCUBA Training Council (RSTC) Diver Medical Form The Physician's Evaluation Form must be signed by a physician even if all of the questions on pages 1 and 2 were answered "No"
  - PADI Non-Agency Disclosure and Liability Form
  - PADI Safe Diving Practices Form
  - PADI Continuing Education Form

II. Important things to be aware of:

- The SCUBA RSTC medical form <u>needs</u> to have a <u>physician's signature</u>, EVEN if you answer "No" to all of the questions. This is required to participate.
  - If signed by a Physician's assistant or nurse practitioner, the office stamp needs to be included.
  - Family members are not allowed to sign off on the medical form.
- The BSA ABC form also needs to be completed in full and signed by a physician.
- BSA has a strict SCUBA policy that overrides the RSTC policy, so please read the attached medical contraindications in the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting to ensure you or your scout qualify for the SCUBA program.
  - Upon arrival at camp, any participant with medical contraindications will be dismissed without a refund.
- ALL DATES on the required forms are written in the international format being DAY/MONTH/YEAR - if the date is written improperly the forms are invalid.
  - Please remind physicians of this date format, if they sign the date improperly, you or your scout will not be authorized to dive.



# **BSA SCUBA Risk Policy**

BSA SCUBA adventures are not risk-free, and participants must follow safety measures and take personal responsibility for their health and safety.

**Right to Refuse** - Camp Emerald Bay and In2Deep staff reserve the right to deny participation based on health and safety concerns and/or medical history.

If a participant has clear medical contraindications as stated in the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting, no refund will be available once arriving at camp.

## Absolute medical contraindications for SCUBA diving with BSA:

- Asthma
- Insulin dependent diabetes
- Narcolepsy
- Multiple (more than one) medication for ADD, ADHD, or depression
- Epilepsy/Seizures
- Anxiety requiring medication
- Spontaneous pneumothorax

## Risk factors include but are not limited to:

- Ear and sinus problems
- Recent surgery
- Panic disorders
- Certain medications
- Blood thinning medications
- Migraine with auras or requiring medications
- Active psychosis
- Pacemakers
- Chemotherapy

Note: For more details please refer to the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting below and if you have any questions feel free to contact In2Deep at (424) 280-4232

## **Snorkeling in Open Water**

All ability groups may use snorkeling equipment within confined areas when following all Safe Swim Defense policies, including visibility for underwater swimming.

Snorkeling is a swimming activity in which one must abide by Safe Swim Defense policies, but the following additions to Safe Swim Defense apply when snorkeling is conducted in open water. "Open water" denotes a temporary swimming area of flexible extent in a natural body of water that may or may not be close to shore.

**Qualified Supervision:** In addition to Safe Swim Defense training and the 21-year-old minimum age, the supervisor must be an experienced snorkeler. At a minimum, the supervisor must possess skills and knowledge matching the Snorkeling BSA Award and have experience with environments similar to those of the planned activity.

**Participant Ability:** All participants in open-water snorkeling must either complete Snorkeling BSA requirements or be a certified scuba diver. Open-water is limited to Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts.

**Equipment:** All snorkeling equipment must be properly fitted and in good repair. **Full-face snorkel masks (combinations of a built-in snorkel with a mask that covers the mouth and nose) are prohibited.** Use of individual flotation devices (inflatable snorkeling vests or life jackets) is required whenever there is a noticeable current or swells, when the bottom is not visible from the surface due to vegetation or limited visibility beyond 8 feet, or when the activity is greater than 50 yards from shore or craft.

A dive flag is required in areas shared by boats. Local regulations specifying the size of the flag and how far snorkelers may be from it must be followed. Weight belts may not be worn unless the participant has scuba certification. Dive boats should be equipped with radios and first-aid kits and should deploy safety lines.

Additional guidance on application of Safe Swim Defense principles to snorkeling may be found in *Aquatics Supervision* and *Snorkeling Safety* (www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/19-176.pdf).

## **BSA Scuba Policy**

The BSA scuba diving policy is applicable to scuba training/certification courses, and recreational diving activities by BSA members. In addition, council programs are subject to BSA National Camp Accreditation Program (NCAP). The BSA recognizes scuba industry standards and implements them by using outside agencies for training and certification. Introductory scuba experience programs that are conducted in a swimming pool only must at a minimum meet the requirements set forth by the instructor's recognized scuba training agency.

#### Training and Supervision

Any diver possessing, displaying, or using scuba (self-contained underwater breathing apparatus) in connection with any Scouting-related activity must be either under the direct supervision of a recognized diving instructor or currently certified by a recognized agency. Any introductory scuba experience program or training/certification course must be conducted by a recognized diving instructor.

A recognized professional divemaster or instructor is any currently certified (renewed) divemaster or instructor in good standing with an agency recognized by the RSTC (Recreational Scuba Training Council), with professional liability insurance and is approved by the local BSA council.

Scuba Diving merit badge counselors are not required to be diving instructors. However, the merit badge requirement for earning an open water diver certification must be done under the supervision of a recognized diving instructor.

Recreational diving activities by BSA groups whose members are currently certified must be directly supervised by a responsible adult currently certified (renewed) as a divemaster, assistant instructor, or higher rating from a recognized agency. Dive environments, equipment, depths, procedures, supervision, and buddy assignments must be consistent with each individual's certification.

Because dives by recreational divers may be infrequent, the divemaster or instructor supervising a BSA scuba activity should screen participants prior to open-water activities and provide remedial instruction and practice as appropriate. Such remedial instruction and practice should be in accordance with the policies and standards of the divemaster's or instructor's agency for Scuba Review, Scuba Refresher, or similar program.

Diving using surface-supplied air systems is not authorized in connection with any BSA activity or facility except when done under contract by commercial divers.

#### Age-Appropriate Restrictions

Youth members registered in Cub Scout programs are not authorized to use scuba in any activity.

Registered members of Scouts BSA and older BSA youth programs (age 11 and above) may participate in introductory Scuba BSA programs and scuba certification programs conducted by recognized agencies appropriate to their age and current level of certification.

Members of BSA programs, based on age, may participate in recreational group dives as unit, district, or council activities, provided such dives are consistent with their certifications and under direct supervision of a responsible adult currently certified as a divemaster, assistant instructor, or higher rating from a recognized agency.

Standards of the recognized scuba agencies require students for open-water certification programs to be at least 15 years of age but allow special certification programs for younger students. Since all instruction for BSA scuba programs must be conducted by professionals certified by a recognized agency, additional agency-specific, age-related restrictions and protocols apply to students under 15 years of age.

The divemaster or instructor supervising a recreational dive by a BSA group must implement the following policies. Additional restrictions and protocols from the certifying agency may apply:

- Depths are limited to 40 feet for divers under 12 years of age and to 60 feet for divers 12 to 14 years of age.
- Additional divemasters or instructors are present to maintain a ratio of one trained supervisor to four buddy pairs (eight divers) containing one to four divers under 15 years of age.
- In addition to the divemaster or trained supervisor, each diver under the age of 15 must have an assigned adult diver who is certified as an open water diver or higher rating as part of the dive group. It is recommended that no more than 3 youth under the age of 15 years of age may dive with the assigned adult diver.
- Note: The 8:1 youth to trained supervisor ratio is a maximum ratio and should be reduced based upon weather, water conditions including current, surface conditions and visibility, participants comfort and skill level and the ability of the divemaster or instructor to control the group.

#### **Medical Contraindications**

Each scuba training agency recognized by the BSA requires a specific health history form be completed prior to enrollment in a certification program (e.g., RSTC Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire). The BSA requires review and approval of the completed form by a physician. Various risk factors identified on the forms may exclude a person from scuba training, either temporarily or permanently. Risk factors include, but are not limited to, ear and sinus problems, recent surgery, spontaneous pneumothorax, asthma or reactive airway disease (RAD), seizure disorders, diabetes, cardiac disorders, leukemia, sickle-cell disorder, pregnancy, panic disorders, and active psychosis.

The divemaster or instructor supervising a BSA recreational scuba activity/introductory scuba experience program must review the annual health information (i.e., BSA AHMR and RSTC Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire) and evaluate risk conditions using medical standards consistent with those used by their certifying agency and the BSA. Additional tests or physician consultations may be required to confirm fitness for diving. Consultation with medical specialists knowledgeable about diving medicine (Divers Alert Network's 24-hour hotline) may be needed. If the scuba activity is conducted as part of a council program, then approval to dive is also subject to review and confirmation by the camp health officer and/or medical director/ Council Health Supervisor.

The following medical contraindications are based on BSA operational considerations and may be more conservative than those listed in the "*Diving Medical Guidance to the Physician*."

- 1. **Diabetes Mellitus.** Diabetes must be well-controlled. Hypoglycemia can lead to unconsciousness and drowning
  - Diving as part of an official Scouting activity is prohibited for the following:

a.For persons under age 18 with the diagnosis of diabetes.

b.Persons using insulin to control diabetes.

- c.Persons with diabetes, who are non-insulin dependent and who have had recurrent problems and/or hospitalizations for diabetic problems.
- d.Persons with any HbA1c test greater than 7.0 in the previous 12 months.
- e.Persons having a documented or suspected hypoglycemic event requiring treatment or assessment in the previous 12 months.
- Diabetes is considered well-controlled when the following are met:
  - a. The acceptable oral medications for diabetic control are as single agents only: metformin and metformin analogs; DPP-4 inhibitors (sitagliptin, vildagliptin, alogliptin, saxagliptin and linagliptin); or SGLT2 inhibitors and analogies.

b.Persons who control their diabetes with exercise and diet (without the aid of medication, except metformin) and document HbA1c test value less than 7.0 in the last 6 months may be approved to scuba dive.

- 2. **Seizures or Epilepsy.** Seizures while snorkeling or scuba diving are extremely dangerous and often fatal.
  - Diving as part of an official Scouting activity is prohibited for participants with a history of seizures.
  - Prospective participants with a history of infant febrile seizures may be considered for diving after formal consultation with a neurologist.

#### 3. Asthma or Reactive Airway Disease.

- Diving as part of an official Scouting activity is prohibited for persons being treated for asthma or reactive airway disease.
- Persons with a history of asthma who have been asymptomatic and have not used medications to control asthma for five years or more may be allowed to scuba dive if resolution of asthma is specifically confirmed by their physician and includes provocative pulmonary function testing. Provocative testing can include exercise, hypertonic saline, a hyperpnea test, etc.
- Psychological and Emotional Difficulties (ADD, ADHD, anxiety, and depression). Any condition should be well-controlled. Many medications are not compatible with scuba diving.
  - Diving as part of an official Scouting activity is prohibited for the following:

a.Participants taking more than one medication for any of these conditions.

b.Participants with anxiety disorder requiring any medication.

5. **Severe Risk Factors.** Diving as part of an official scouting activity is prohibited for persons with conditions listed as "severe" by the Undersea & Hyperbaric Medical Society (UHMS). See: UHMS Diving Medical Guidance to the Physician (2020).

Youth, parents, dive supervisors, and physicians with questions or concerns about diving with specific medical conditions should consult the UHMS Diving Medical Guidance to the Physician, Recreational Scuba Training Council (RSTC) and the Divers Alert Network (DAN). DAN medical professionals are available for non-emergency consultation by telephone at 919-684-2948 during business hours or via email.

### **Recognized Agencies**

Recognized agencies are:

- PADI: Professional Association of Diving Instructors
- NAUI: National Association of Underwater Instructors
- SSI: Scuba Schools International
- IDEA: International Diving Educators Association
- PDIC: Professional Diving Instructors Corporation
- SDI/TDI: Scuba Diving International
- YMCA Scuba Program (discontinued in 2008, but certification cards are still recognized)

- NASDS: National Association of Scuba Diving Schools (merged with SSI, but certification cards are still recognized)
- IANTD: International Association of Nitrox and Technical Divers
- RAID: Rebreather Association of International Divers
- SNSI: Scuba and Nitrox Safety International
- NASE: National Academy of Scuba Educators
- In addition to the agencies listed by name, any current member of the World Recreational Scuba Training Council (WRSTC), which includes all RSTC members, is also recognized.

## Safety Afloat

BSA groups shall use Safety Afloat for all boating activities. Adult leaders supervising activities afloat must have completed Safety Afloat training within the previous two years. Cub Scout activities afloat are limited to council, district, pack, or den events that do not include moving water or float trips (expeditions). Safety Afloat standards apply to the use of canoes, kayaks, rowboats, rafts, floating tubes, sailboats, motorboats (including waterskiing), and other small craft, but do not apply to transportation on large commercial vessels such as ferries and cruise ships. Parasailing (being towed airborne behind a boat using a parachute), kite-surfing (using a wakeboard towed by a kite), and unit-level recreational use of personal watercraft (small sit-on-top motorboats propelled by water jets) are not authorized BSA activities.

Safety Afloat training may be obtained from my.scouting.org, at council camps, and at other council and district training events. Additional guidance on appropriate skill levels and training resources is provided in *Aquatics Supervision*.

#### 1. Qualified Supervision

All activity afloat must be supervised by a mature and conscientious adult age 21 or older who understands and knowingly accepts responsibility for the well-being and safety of those in their care and who is trained in and committed to compliance with the nine points of BSA Safety Afloat. That supervisor must be skilled in the safe operation of the craft for the specific activity, knowledgeable in accident prevention, and prepared for emergency situations. If the adult with Safety Afloat training lacks the necessary boat operating and safety skills, then they may serve as the supervisor only if assisted by other adults, camp staff personnel, or professional tour guides who have the appropriate skills. Additional leadership is provided in ratios of one trained adult, staff member, or guide per 10 participants. For Cub Scouts, the leadership ratio is one trained adult, staff member, or guide per five participants. At least one leader must be trained in first aid including CPR. Any swimming done in conjunction with the activity afloat must

# Part A: Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization

Full name:

Date of birth:

#### Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization

I understand that participation in Scouting activities involves the risk of personal injury, including death, due to the physical, mental, and emotional challenges in the activities offered. Information about those activities may be obtained from the venue, activity coordinators, or your local council. I also understand that participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to follow instructions and abide by all applicable rules and the standards of conduct.

In case of an emergency involving me or my child, I understand that efforts will be made to contact the individual listed as the emergency contact person by the medical provider and/or adult leader. In the event that this person cannot be reached, permission is hereby given to the medical provider selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for me or my child. Medical providers are authorized to disclose protected health information to the adult in charge, camp medical staff, camp management, and/or any physician or health-care provider involved in providing medical care to the participant. Protected Health Information/Confidential Health Information (PHI/CHI) under the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information, 45 C.F.R. §§160.103, 164.501, etc. seq., as amended from time to time, includes examination findings, test results, and treatment provided for purposes of medical evaluation of the participant, follow-up and communication with the participant's parents or guardian, and/or determination of the participant's ability to continue in the program activities.

(If applicable) I have carefully considered the risk involved and hereby give my informed consent for my child to participate in all activities offered in the program. I further authorize the sharing of the information on this form with any BSA volunteers or professionals who need to know of medical conditions that may require special consideration in conducting Scouting activities.

With appreciation of the dangers and risks associated with programs and activities, on my own behalf and/or on behalf of my child, I hereby fully and completely release and waive any and all claims for personal injury, death, or loss that may arise against the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with any program or activity.

#### High-adventure base participants:

Expedition/crew No.: \_\_\_\_

or staff position:\_\_

I also hereby assign and grant to the local council and the Boy Scouts of America, as well as their authorized representatives, the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/ videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me or my child at all Scouting activities, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all liability from such use and publication. I further authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of said photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the BSA, and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

Every person who furnishes any BB device to any minor, without the express or implied permission of the parent or legal guardian of the minor, is guilty of a misdemeanor. (California Penal Code Section 19915[a]) My signature below on this form indicates my permission.

I give permission for my child to use a BB device. (Note: Not all events will include BB devices.)

 $\Box$  Checking this box indicates you DO NOT want your child to use a BB device.



NOTE: Due to the nature of programs and activities, the Boy Scouts of America and local councils cannot continually monitor compliance of program participants or any limitations imposed upon them by parents or medical providers. However, so that leaders can be as familiar as possible with any limitations, list any restrictions imposed on a child participant in connection with programs or activities below.

List participant restrictions, if any:

□ None

I understand that, if any information I/we have provided is found to be inaccurate, it may limit and/or eliminate the opportunity for participation in any event or activity. If I am participating at Philmont Scout Ranch, Philmont Training Center, Northern Tier, Sea Base, or the Summit Bechtel Reserve, I have also read and understand the supplemental risk advisories, including height and weight requirements and restrictions, and understand that the participant will not be allowed to participate in applicable high-adventure programs if those requirements are not met. The participant has permission to engage in all high-adventure activities described, except as specifically noted by me or the health-care provider. If the participant is under the age of 18, a parent or guardian's signature is required.

Participant's signature:

Parent/guardian signature for youth: \_\_\_\_

(If participant is under the age of 18)

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Date: \_\_\_\_

Date:

### Complete this section for youth participants only:

Adults Authorized to Take Youth to and From Events:

You must designate at least one adult. Please include a phone number.

Name:	Name:
Phone:	Phone:
Adults NOT Authorized to Take Youth to and From Events:	
Name:	Name:
Phone:	Phone:



# Part B1: General Information/Health History

Full name:		0	High-adventure base participants:			
Date of birth:		Expedition/crew No.: or staff position:	Expedition/crew No.: or staff position:			
Age: Gender: _	Height (inches)	:	_ Weight (lbs.):			
Address:						
City:	State:	ZIP code:	Phone:			
Unit leader:		Unit leader's mobile #:				
Council Name/No.:			Unit No.:			
Health/Accident Insurance Company: Policy No.:						
Please attach a photocopy of both sides of the insurance card. If you do not have medical insurance, enter "none" above.						
In case of emergency, notify the person belo	)w:					

Name:	Relationship:	
Address:	Home phone:	Other phone:
Alternate contact name:	Alternate's phone:	

### **Health History**

Do you currently have or have you ever been treated for any of the following?

Yes	No	Condition	Explain			
		Diabetes	Last HbA1c percentage and date:	Insulin pump: Yes $\Box$ No $\Box$		
		Hypertension (high blood pressure)				
		Adult or congenital heart disease/heart attack/chest pain (angina)/ heart murmur/coronary artery disease. Any heart surgery or procedure. Explain all "yes" answers.				
		Family history of heart disease or any sudden heart-related death of a family member before age 50.				
		Stroke/TIA				
		Asthma/reactive airway disease	Last attack date:			
		Lung/respiratory disease				
		COPD				
		Ear/eyes/nose/sinus problems				
		Muscular/skeletal condition/muscle or bone issues				
		Head injury/concussion/TBI				
		Altitude sickness				
		Psychiatric/psychological or emotional difficulties				
		Neurological/behavioral disorders				
		Blood disorders/sickle cell disease				
		Fainting spells and dizziness				
		Kidney disease				
		Seizures or epilepsy	Last seizure date:			
		Abdominal/stomach/digestive problems				
		Thyroid disease				
		Skin issues				
		Obstructive sleep apnea/sleep disorders	CPAP: Yes 🗆 No 🗆			
		List all surgeries and hospitalizations	Last surgery date:			
		List any other medical conditions not covered above				



# Part B2: General Information/Health History

Full name:	High-adventure ba
Date of birth:	Expedition/crew No.: or staff position:

gh-adventure base participants:	
pedition/crew No.:	
staff position:	

### **Allergies/Medications**

DO YOU USE AN EPINEPHRINE	□ YES	🗆 NO
AUTOINJECTOR? Exp. date (if yes)		

DO YOU USE AN ASTHMA RESCUE	□ YES	🗆 NO
INHALER? Exp. date (if yes)		

Are you allergic to or do you have any adverse reaction to any of the following?

Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain	Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain
		Medication				Plants	
		Food				Insect bites/stings	

List all medications currently used, including any over-the-counter medications.

□ Check here if no medications are routinely taken.

□ If additional space is needed, please list on a separate sheet and attach.

Medication	Dose	Frequency	Reason			
YES NO Non-prescription medication administration is authorized with these exceptions:						

Parent/guardian signature

MD/DO, NP, or PA signature (if your state requires signature)

Please list any additional information about your

Bring enough medications in sufficient quantities and in the original containers. Make sure that they are NOT expired, including inhalers and EpiPens. You SHOULD NOT STOP taking any maintenance medication unless instructed to do so by your doctor.

### Immunization

The following immunizations are recommended. Tetanus immunization is required and must have been received within the last 10 years. If you had the disease, check the disease column and list the date. If immunized, check yes and provide the year received.

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Yes	No	Had Disease	Immunization	Date(s)	
			Tetanus		
			Pertussis		
			Diphtheria		
			Measles/mumps/rubella		
			Polio		<b>DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOX.</b> Review for camp or special activity.
			Chicken Pox		Reviewed by:
			Hepatitis A		Date:
			Hepatitis B		Further approval required: Yes
			Meningitis		Reason:
			Influenza		
			Other (i.e., HIB)		Approved by:
			Exemption to immunizations (form required)		Date:



🗌 No

## Part C: Pre-Participation Physical

This part must be completed by certified and licensed physicians (MD, D0), nurse practitioners, or physician assistants.

Full name:	High-adventure base participants:
	Expedition/crew No.:
Date of birth:	or staff position:

You are being asked to certify that this individual has no contraindication for participation in a Scouting experience. For individuals who will be attending a high-adventure program, including one of the national high-adventure bases, please refer to the supplemental information on the following pages or the form provided by your patient. You can also visit www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr to view this information online.

#### Please fill in the following information:

	Yes	No	Explain
Medical restrictions to participate			

Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain	Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain
		Medication				Plants	
		Food				Insect bites/stings	

Height (inches)	Weight (lbs.)	BMI	Blood Pressure	Pulse
			/	

	Normal	Abnormal	Explain Abnormalities	I certify tha	at I have rev	Certification viewed the health history and examined this person and find no contraindications for
Eyes				participatio	on in a Scou	ting experience. This participant (with noted restrictions):
Ears/nose/throat				True	False	Explain
Ears/1105e/till0at						Meets height/weight requirements.
Lungs						Has no uncontrolled heart disease, lung disease, or hypertension.
Heart						Has not had an orthopedic injury, musculoskeletal problems, or orthopedic surgery in the last six months or possesses a letter of clearance from his or her orthopedic surgeon or treating physician.
						Has no uncontrolled psychiatric disorders.
Abdomen						Has had no seizures in the last year.
Genitalia/hernia						Does not have poorly controlled diabetes.
Germana/Herma						If planning to scuba dive, does not have diabetes, asthma, or seizures.
Musculoskeletal				Examiner's	s signatur	e: Date:
Neurological				Examiner's	s printed r	iame:
Skin issues						State:ZIP code:
Other						

#### Height/Weight Restrictions

If you exceed the maximum weight for height as explained in the following chart and your planned high-adventure activity will take you more than 30 minutes away from an emergency vehicle/ accessible roadway, you may not be allowed to participate.

#### Maximum weight for height:

Height (inches)	Max. Weight						
60	166	65	195	70	226	75	260
61	172	66	201	71	233	76	267
62	178	67	207	72	239	77	274
63	183	68	214	73	246	78	281
64	189	69	220	74	252	79 and over	295













# Diver Medical | Participant Questionnaire

Recreational scuba diving and freediving requires good physical and mental health. There are a few medical conditions which can be hazardous while diving, listed below. Those who have, or are predisposed to, any of these conditions, should be evaluated by a physician. This Diver Medical Participant Questionnaire provides a basis to determine if you should seek out that evaluation. If you have any concerns about your diving fitness not represented on this form, consult with your physician before diving. If you are feeling ill, avoid diving. If you think you may have a contagious disease, protect yourself and others by not participating in dive training and/ or dive activities. References to "diving" on this form encompass both recreational scuba diving and freediving. This form is principally designed as an initial medical screen for new divers, but is also appropriate for divers taking continuing education. For your safety, and that of others who may dive with you, answer all questions honestly.

## Directions

#### Complete this questionnaire as a prerequisite to a recreational scuba diving or freediving course.

**Note to women:** If you are pregnant, or attempting to become pregnant, *do not dive*.

I have had problems with my lungs, breathing, beart and/or blood offecting my permal physical or montal performance	Yes 🗆	
1 I have had problems with my lungs, breathing, heart and/or blood affecting my normal physical or mental performance.		No 🗆
	Yes 🗆	
I am over 45 years of age.	Go to box <b>B</b>	No 🗆
I struggle to perform moderate exercise (for example, walk 1.6 kilometer/one mile in 14 minutes or swim 200 meters/yards without resting), OR I have been unable to participate in a normal physical activity due to fitness or health reasons within the past 12 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
I have had problems with my eyes, ears, or nasal passages/sinuses.	Yes □ Go to box <b>C</b>	No 🗆
I have had surgery within the last 12 months, OR I have ongoing problems related to past surgery.		No 🗆
Lave lest conscieusness, had migraine haddebes, solzures, strake, significant hadd injung or suffer from parsistent neurologie	Yes 🗆	
injury or disease.	Go to box <b>D</b>	No 🗆
I am currently undergoing treatment (or have required treatment within the last five years) for psychological problems, personality	Yes 🗆	
disorder, panic attacks, or an addiction to drugs or alcohol; or, I have been diagnosed with a learning or developmental disability.	Go to box <b>E</b>	No 🗆
	Yes 🗆	
I have had back problems, hernia, ulcers, or diabetes.	Go to box <b>F</b>	No 🗆
	Yes 🗆	
I have had stomach or intestine problems, including recent diarrhea.	Go to box <b>G</b>	No 🗆
I am taking prescription medications (with the exception of birth control or or anti-malarial drugs other than mefloquine (Lariam).	Yes □*	No 🗆
	I struggle to perform moderate exercise (for example, walk 1.6 kilometer/one mile in 14 minutes or swim 200 meters/yards without resting), OR I have been unable to participate in a normal physical activity due to fitness or health reasons within the past 12 months. I have had problems with my eyes, ears, or nasal passages/sinuses. I have had surgery within the last 12 months, OR I have ongoing problems related to past surgery. I have lost consciousness, had migraine headaches, seizures, stroke, significant head injury, or suffer from persistent neurologic injury or disease. I have number of the set of the se	I have had problems with my lungs, breathing, heart and/or blood affecting my normal physical or mental performance.       Go to box A         I am over 45 years of age.       Yes □         I am over 45 years of age.       Yes □         I struggle to perform moderate exercise (for example, walk 1.6 kilometer/one mile in 14 minutes or swim 200 meters/yards without resting), OR       Yes □         I have been unable to participate in a normal physical activity due to fitness or health reasons within the past 12 months.       Yes □         I have had problems with my eyes, ears, or nasal passages/sinuses.       Yes □         I have had surgery within the last 12 months, OR I have ongoing problems related to past surgery.       Yes □         I have lost consciousness, had migraine headaches, seizures, stroke, significant head injury, or suffer from persistent neurologic       Yes □         Go to box E       Go to box E         I have had back problems, hernia, ulcers, or diabetes.       Yes □         I have had stomach or intestine problems, including recent diarrhea.       Yes □         I have had stomach or intestine problems, including recent diarrhea.       Yes □

# **Participant Signature**

If you answered NO to all 10 questions above, a medical evaluation is not required. Please read and agree to the participant statement below by signing and dating it.

**Participant Statement:** I have answered all questions honestly, and understand that I accept responsibility for any consequences resulting from any questions I may have answered inaccurately or for my failure to disclose any existing or past health conditions.

Participant Signature (or, if a minor, participant's parent/guardian signature required.

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

Participant Name (Print)

Birthdate (dd/mm/yyyy) In2Deep Diving

In2Deep Staff

Facility Name (Print)

\* If you answered YES to questions 3, 5 or 10 above OR to any of the questions on page 2, please read and agree to the statement above by signing and dating it AND take all three pages of this form (Participant Questionnaire and the Physician's Evaluation Form) to your physician for a medical evaluation. Participation in a diving course requires your physician's approval.

(Print)

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

# **Diver Medical** | Participant Questionnaire Continued

BOX A – I HAVE/HAVE HAD:		
Chest surgery, heart surgery, heart valve surgery, an implantable medical device (eg, stent, pacemaker, neurostimulator), pneumothorax, and/or chronic lung disease.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Asthma, wheezing, severe allergies, hay fever or congested airways within the last 12 months that limits my physical activity/exercise.	Yes □*	No 🗆
A problem or illness involving my heart such as: angina, chest pain on exertion, heart failure, immersion pulmonary edema, heart attack or stroke, OR am taking medication for any heart condition.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Recurrent bronchitis and currently coughing within the past 12 months, OR have been diagnosed with emphysema.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Symptoms affecting my lungs, breathing, heart and/or blood in the last 30 days that impair my physical or mental performance.	Yes □*	No 🗆
BOX B - I AM OVER 45 YEARS OF AGE AND:		
I currently smoke or inhale nicotine by other means.	Yes □*	No 🗆
I have a high cholesterol level.	Yes□*	No 🗆
I have high blood pressure.	Yes □*	No 🗆
I have had a close blood relative die suddenly or of cardiac disease or stroke before the age of 50, OR have a family history of heart disease before age 50 (including abnormal heart rhythms, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathy).	Yes □*	No 🗆
BOX C - I HAVE/HAVE HAD:		
Sinus surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Ear disease or ear surgery, hearing loss, or problems with balance.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Recurrent sinusitis within the past 12 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Eye surgery within the past 3 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
BOX D – I HAVE/HAVE HAD:		
Head injury with loss of consciousness within the past 5 years.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Persistent neurologic injury or disease.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Recurring migraine headaches within the past 12 months, or take medications to prevent them.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Blackouts or fainting (full/partial loss of consciousness) within the last 5 years.	Yes□*	No 🗆
Epilepsy, seizures, or convulsions, OR take medications to prevent them.	Yes □*	No 🗆
BOX E – I HAVE/HAVE HAD:		
Behavioral health, mental or psychological problems requiring medical/psychiatric treatment.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Major depression, suicidal ideation, panic attacks, uncontrolled bipolar disorder requiring medication/psychiatric treatment.	Yes□*	No 🗆
Been diagnosed with a mental health condition or a learning/developmental disorder that requires ongoing care or special accommodation.	Yes □*	No 🗆
An addiction to drugs or alcohol requiring treatment within the last 5 years.	Yes □*	No 🗆
BOX F – I HAVE/HAVE HAD:		
Recurrent back problems in the last 6 months that limit my everyday activity.	Yes□*	No 🗆
Back or spinal surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Diabetes, either drug or diet controlled, OR gestational diabetes within the last 12 months.	Yes□*	No 🗆
An uncorrected hernia that limits my physical abilities.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Active or untreated ulcers, problem wounds, or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
BOX G – I HAVE HAD:		
Ostomy surgery and do not have medical clearance to swim or engage in physical activity.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Dehydration requiring medical intervention within the last 7 days.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Active or untreated stomach or intestinal ulcers or ulcer surgery within the last 6 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆
Frequent heartburn, regurgitation, or gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD).	Yes □*	No 🗆
Active or uncontrolled ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease.	Yes□*	No 🗆
Bariatric surgery within the last 12 months.	Yes □*	No 🗆

# Diver Medical | Medical Examiner's Evaluation Form

Participant Name	Birthdate	
	(Print)	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)
	uhms.org for medical guidance on medical co	to participate in recreational scuba diving or freediving anditions as they relate to diving. Review the areas rele-
Evaluation Resul	t	
Approved – I find no cond	litions that I consider incompatible with recreation	nal scuba diving or freediving.
Not approved – I find con	ditions that I consider incompatible with recreat	ional scuba diving or freediving.
Signature of certified medi	ical doctor or other legally certified medical provider	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)
Medical Examiner's Name		
	(Pi	rint)
Clinical Degrees/Credentials	3	
Clinic/Hospital		
Address		
Phone	Email	
	Physician/Clinic Stamp (opti	ional)
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	The Undersea & Hyperbaric Medical Society	
	DAN (US)	
	DAN Europe Hyperbaric Medicine Division, University of	California, San Diego



# Non-Agency Disclosure and Acknowledgment Agreement

In European Union and European Free Trade Association countries use alternative form.

#### Please read carefully and fill in all blanks before signing.

I understand and agree that PADI Members ("Members"), including \_\_\_\_\_\_store/resort\_\_\_

and/or any individual PADI Instructors and Divemasters associated with the program in which I am participating, are licensed to use various PADI Trademarks and to conduct PADI training, but are not agents, employees or franchisees of PADI Americas, Inc, or its parent, subsidiary and affiliated corporations ("PADI"). I further understand that Member business activities are independent, and are neither owned nor operated by PADI, and that while PADI establishes the standards for PADI diver training programs, it is not responsible for, nor does it have the right to control, the operation of the Members' business activities and the day-to day conduct of PADI programs and supervision of divers by the Members or their associated staff. I further understand and agree on behalf of myself, my heirs and my estate that in the event of an injury or death during this activity, neither I nor my estate shall seek to hold PADI liable for the actions, inactions or negligence of <u>store/resort</u> and/or the instructors and divemasters associated with the activity.

## Liability Release and Assumption of Risk Agreement

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#### Please read carefully and fill in all blanks before signing.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_ Participant Name\_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby affirm that I am aware that skin and scuba diving have inherent risks which may result in serious injury or death.

I understand that diving with compressed air involves certain inherent risks; including but not limited to decompression sickness, embolism or other hyperbaric/air expansion injury that require treatment in a recompression chamber. I further understand that the open water diving trips which are necessary for training and for certification may be conducted at a site that is remote, either by time or distance or both, from such a recompression chamber. I still choose to proceed with such instructional dives in spite of the possible absence of a recompression chamber in proximity to the dive site.

I understand and agree that neither my instructor(s),

the facility through which I receive my instruction, store/resort

nor PADI Americas, Inc., nor its affiliate and subsidiary corporations, nor any of their respective employees, officers, agents, contractors or assigns (hereinafter referred to as "Released Parties") may be held liable or responsible in any way for any injury, death or other damages to me, my family, estate, heirs or assigns that may occur as a result of my participation in this diving program or as a result of the negligence of any party, including the Released Parties, whether passive or active.

In consideration of being allowed to participate in this course (and optional Adventure Dive), hereinafter referred to as "program," I hereby personally assume all risks of this program, whether foreseen or unforeseen, that may befall me while I am a participant in this program including, but not limited to, the academics, confined water and/or open water activities.

I further release, exempt and hold harmless said program and Released Parties from any claim or lawsuit by me, my family, estate, heirs or assigns, arising out of my enrollment and participation in this program including both claims arising during the program or after I receive my certification. I also understand that skin diving and scuba diving are physically strenuous activities and that I will be exerting myself during this program, and that if I am injured as a result of heart attack, panic, hyperventilation, drowning or any other cause, that I expressly assume the risk of said injuries and that I will not hold the Released Parties responsible for the same.

I further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this liability release, or that I have acquired the written consent of my parent or guardian. I understand the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital, and that I have signed this Agreement of my own free act and with the knowledge that I hereby agree to waive my legal rights. I further agree that if any provision of this Agreement is found to be unenforceable or invalid, that provision shall be severed from this Agreement. The remainder of this Agreement will then be construed as though the unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

I understand and agree that I am not only giving up my right to sue the Released Parties but also any rights my heirs, assigns, or beneficiaries may have to sue the Released Parties resulting from my death. I further represent I have the authority to do so and that my heirs, assigns, or beneficiaries will be estopped from claiming otherwise because of my representations to the Released Parties.

Participant Name

BY THIS INSTRUMENT AGREE TO EXEMPT AND RELEASE MY INSTRUCTORS,

THE FACILITY THROUGH WHICH I RECEIVE MY INSTRUCTION, AND

PADI AMERICAS, INC., AND ALL RELATED ENTITIES AS DEFINED ABOVE, FROM ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH HOWEVER CAUSED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLI-GENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE.

I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF AND MY HEIRS OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS NON-AGENCY DISCLOSURE AND ACKNOWLDGE-MENT AGREEMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT BY READING BOTH BEFORE SIGNING BELOW ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY HEIRS.

Participant's Signature	Date (Day / Month / Year)

Date (Day / Month / Year)



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# Standard Safe Diving Practices Statement of Understanding

### Please read carefully before signing.

This is a statement in which you are informed of the established safe diving practices for skin and scuba diving. These practices have been compiled for your review and acknowledgement and are intended to increase your comfort and safety in diving. Your signature on this statement is required as proof that you are aware of these safe diving practices. Read and discuss the statement prior to signing it. If you are a minor, this form must also be signed by a parent or guardian.

(Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_, understand that as a diver I should:

- 1. Maintain good mental and physical fitness for diving. Avoid being under the influence of alcohol or dangerous drugs when diving. Keep proficient in diving skills, striving to increase them through continuing education and reviewing them in controlled conditions after a period of diving inactivity, and refer to my course materials to stay current and refresh myself on important information.
- 2. Be familiar with my dive sites. If not, obtain a formal diving orientation from a knowledgeable, local source. If diving conditions are worse than those in which I am experienced, postpone diving or select an alternate site with better conditions. Engage only in diving activities consistent with my training and experience. Do not engage in cave or technical diving unless specifically trained to do so.
- 3. Use complete, well-maintained, reliable equipment with which I am familiar; and inspect it for correct fit and function prior to each dive. Have a buoyancy control device, low-pressure buoyancy control inflation system, submersible pressure gauge and alternate air source and dive planning/monitoring device (dive computer, RDP/dive tables—whichever you are trained to use) when scuba diving. Deny use of my equipment to uncertified divers.
- 4. Listen carefully to dive briefings and directions and respect the advice of those supervising my diving activities. Recognize that additional training is recommended for participation in specialty diving activities, in other geographic areas and after periods of inactivity that exceed six months.
- 5. Adhere to the buddy system throughout every dive. Plan dives including communications, procedures for reuniting in case of separation and emergency procedures with my buddy.
- 6. Be proficient in dive planning (dive computer or dive table use). Make all dives no decompression dives and allow a margin of safety. Have a means to monitor depth and time underwater. Limit maximum depth to my level of training and experience. Ascend at a rate of not more than 18 metres/60 feet per minute. Be a SAFE diver Slowly Ascend From Every dive. Make a safety stop as an added precaution, usually at 5 metres/15 feet for three minutes or longer.
- 7. Maintain proper buoyancy. Adjust weighting at the surface for neutral buoyancy with no air in my buoyancy control device. Maintain neutral buoyancy while underwater. Be buoyant for surface swimming and resting. Have weights clear for easy removal, and establish buoyancy when in distress while diving. Carry at least one surface signaling device (such as signal tube, whistle, mirror).
- 8. Breathe properly for diving. Never breath-hold or skip-breathe when breathing compressed air, and avoid excessive hyperventilation when breath-hold diving. Avoid overexertion while in and underwater and dive within my limitations.
- 9. Use a boat, float or other surface support station, whenever feasible.
- 10. Know and obey local dive laws and regulations, including fish and game and dive flag laws.

I understand the importance and purposes of these established practices. I recognize they are for my own safety and well-being, and that failure to adhere to them can place me in jeopardy when diving.

Participant's Signature

Date (Day/Month/Year)

Signature of Parent or Guardian (where applicable)

Date (Day/Month/Year)



## Release of Liability/Assumption of Risk/Non-agency Acknowledgment Form Continuing Education Administrative Document

### NOTE: Also complete and attach the Diver Medical Form (Product No. 10346)

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## NON-AGENCY DISCLOSURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT AGREEMENT

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I understand this Liability Release and Assumption of Risk Agreement (Agreement) hereby encompasses and applies to all diver training activities and courses in which I choose to participate. These activities and courses may include, but are not limited to, altitude, boat, cavern, AWARE, deep, enriched air, photography/videography, diver propulsion vehicle, drift, dry suit, ice, multilevel, night, peak performance buoyancy, search & recovery, rebreather, underwater naturalist, navigator, wreck, adventure diver, rescue diver and other distinctive specialties (hereinafter "Programs").

I understand and agree that neither my instructor(s), divemasters(s), the facility which provides the Programs

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I understand that past or present medical conditions may be contraindicative to my participation in the Programs. I declare that I am in good mental and physical fitness for diving, and that I am not under the influence of alcohol, nor am I under the influence of any drugs that are contraindicated to diving. If I am taking medication, I declare that I have seen a physician and have approval to dive while under the influence of the medication/drugs. I affirm it is my responsibility to inform my instructor of any and all changes to my health condition at any time during my participation in the Programs and agree to accept responsibility for my failure to do so.

I also understand that skin diving and scuba diving are physically strenuous activities and that I will be exerting myself during this program, and that if I am injured as a result of heart attack, panic, hyperventilation, drowning or any other cause, that I expressly assume the risk of said injuries and that I will not hold the Released Parties responsible for the same.

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I hereby state and agree this Agreement will be effective for all activities associated with the Programs in which I participate within one year from the date on which I sign this Agreement.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_BY THIS INSTRUMENT AGREE TO EXEMPT AND RELEASE MY INSTRUCTORS, DIVEMASTERS, THE FACILITY WHICH OFFERS THE PROGRAMS AND PADI AMERICAS, INC., AND ALL RELATED ENTITIES AND RELEASED PARTIES AS DEFINED ABOVE, FROM ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH HOWEVER CAUSED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE.

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Participant's Signature