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PADIOPEN WATER SCUBA INSTRUCTOR

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Open Water Scuba Instructor (OWSI)

The Open Water Scuba Instructor (OWSI) course prepares students to take the Instructor Exam (IE) and function as an OWSI, as well as an EFRI. The program introduces the student to the entire PADI system of dive education and concentrates on further developing their abilities as a professional dive educator. This course will continue to develop the student's teaching ability, dive knowledge, skill level, and understanding of the entire system of dive education. Upon completion, the student will have mastered all skills required as a professional dive educator and will be properly prepared for the IE, an international licensing examination.

The vocational objective of this course is for the students to earn and receive the PADI OWSI rating and certification, which is widely recognized as the entry-level diving instructor certification.

Open Water Scuba Instructor	
Course Orientation	1
Getting Potential Divers to Start Diving	3
Getting Divers to Continue Diving	1
Teaching PADI Specialty Diver Courses	4
Knowledge Development Teaching Presentations	6
Risk Management	3
Open Water Diver Course	3
Confined Water Teaching Presentations	10
Marketing Diving	2
Teaching Dive Theory: Physics	3
Teaching Dive Theory: Physiology	4
Open Water Teaching Presentations	10
Discover Scuba Diving Workshop	6
Adventures in Scuba Diving	4
Rescue Diver Course	4
Rescue Diver Workshop	4
Divemaster Course	4
4 E's Counseling Workshop	4
Skills Assessment & Problem Solving	13
Paperwork	-
Total Hours: 80	

Total Hours: 89

Total Contact Hours for Entire OWSI COI: 89

NOTE: Additional hours for students to study, practice, or log additional required dives should be done on student's free time, at the student's leisure.

Prerequisites:

- Minimum 18-years old.

- Submit the provided medical clearance documents, valid within last 12-months.
- Current Active-Status Divemaster Certification & EFR Certification.
- Proof of 60+ logged dives to begin course.
- Proof of 100+ logged dives to attend the Instructor Exam.
- Must be a certified diver for a minimum of (6) months before enrolling.
- Each student must provide their own professional level dive gear able to meet all the minimum standards before starting the OWSI COI.

PADI Application Fees

- Divemaster \$134.00
- Open Water Scuba Instructor \$209.00
- Emergency First Response Instructor \$126.00
- PADI Instructor Exam Fee \$749.00

NOTE: PADI Application fees are not reimbursable by VA Benefits and are the responsibility of the student.