



GO DIVE®



WHY DIVE?

- Escape to a different world with new colors, shapes, textures and creatures.
- Explore and connect with nature.
- Experience new sensations and new perspectives.
- Embark on adventures and new challenges.

Become a diver and transform your life forever.



Explore the underwater world – from historic shipwrecks and pristine coral reefs to the mysteries of your local quarry. Become a diver and the opportunities for adventure and discovery are endless.





Your path to Open Water Certification consists of 3 main phases:

1. Knowledge Development

Learn the principles, concepts and terms that you need to manage and avoid the risks and enjoy diving. Whether you choose to start online, with a tablet or printed manual, this phase is designed to develop students to understand basic principles of scuba diving.

2. Confined Water Dives

Develop and practice scuba skills in a pool or water with pool-like conditions under direct instructor supervision. As you master each skill, you integrate them and build the abilities and confidence you need for diving in open water.

3. Open Water Dives

You put everything you've been learning into practice. These are your first open water dives at a site or sites suited to beginning divers as you experience your first underwater adventures with your instructor.



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WHAT GEAR DO I NEED?

As a minimum, you want your own mask, fins and snorkel when you start the PADI Open Water Diver course. These have a personal fit, and your PADI Dive Center or Resort will help you select the equipment best suited to you.



Find a local PADI Dive Center or Resort at padi.com/dsl

Scuba diving equipment allows you to visit the underwater world by letting you breathe, see and move comfortably while below the surface. It's a good idea to invest in your own equipment because:

- you're more comfortable learning to dive using gear you choose, fitted for you.
- divers who own their own gear dive more.
- it's part of the fun of diving.

Fit, comfort and suitability are the three most important considerations when choosing gear. Many dive operators provide the rest of your gear for all or part of your PADI Open Water Diver course as part of the enrollment fee.



If you love nature, adventure, exploration and interesting new challenges, diving is for you. There's always something new to see, somewhere new to explore and some new way to enjoy it.

1. Physical

For safety, you complete a brief questionnaire about medical conditions that may be a concern, so answer completely and honestly. If a condition applies to you, it doesn't necessarily mean you can't dive. You'll consult with your physician to determine how it may or may not be an issue.

2. Waterskills

You demonstrate basic waterskill comfort by swimming 200 metres/yards or 300 metres/yards with mask, fins, and snorkel. There is no time limit for this, and you may use any swimming strokes you wish. You will also float in deep water for 10 minutes using the method you choose.

3. Materials

You'll use some learning materials during the course, and reference them afterward. Choose any one of these three:

- PADI *Open Water Diver Touch™*— puts what you read and videos at your fingertips in your tablet.
- PADI *Open Water Diver Online* — browser-based online course that presents with slides and videos on your PC or laptop.
- PADI *Open Water Diver Manual and Video*— printed manual and companion video on DVD for those most comfortable with conventional media.

4. Age

You must be at least 10 years old to scuba dive. The PADI Bubblemaker program allows children who are at least 8 years old to use scuba gear under supervision to breathe underwater and swim around in shallow water. This is a great program to get kids comfortable in the water and start having fun now before they can enroll in PADI Seal Team or the PADI Open Water Diver course.



IS DIVING FOR ME?

Start your dive training on your tablet with the PADI *Open Water Diver Touch*. Learn more at padi.com/touch.

HOW LONG IS THE COURSE?

PADI courses are performance-based, which means you progress and attain certification by demonstrating that you meet certain specific learning objectives. The course length depends upon your learning speed, as well as how often you meet with your instructor, but common schedules range from as short as four full days to as long as six weeks, meeting for a few hours weekly.

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Progress at your own pace! The PADI System of diver education is designed to help you become a capable and confident diver. Meeting these objectives is important—not the time it takes to do so.





Compared with other popular adventure sports and outdoor activities, learning to scuba dive has similar costs. You can expect to pay about the same as you would for:

- a full day of surf or stand-up paddle boarding lessons.
- a weekend of rock climbing, fly-fishing, or kayaking lessons.
- about three hours of private golf lessons.

From the first day, scuba diving starts transforming your life with new experiences you can share with friends and family. The PADI System of diver education is the most instructionally solid system in diving. Under the guidance of your professional PADI Instructor, you gain confidence while mastering important safety concepts and skills.

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Sign up today for the PADI Open Water Diver course online at padi.com/eLearning.

PADI eLearning also gives you the opportunity to continue your dive education by offering additional courses and selected specialties.

When you learn to dive with PADI, you enjoy the highest standards for dive training, safety and consumer service. With more than 6200 PADI Dive Centers and Resorts in more than 180 countries and territories, PADI makes learning to dive fun and convenient.

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