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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE & PHILOSOPHY

Scuba Diving offers a new realm of adventure, and we believe that introducing people to this amazing new underwater world is a privilege more than a job.

During your Professional Training at **Pura Vida Divers**, you work hard...you learn new skills and techniques... And you have fun in a safe and exciting environment! We purposefully train eligible students to become qualified dive professionals.

Courses are designed by a letter-number combination that identifies the program and the course within the respective program.

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INTRODUCTION TO: **Pura Vida Divers, LLC**

FACILITIES

Our School is located on Singer Island, the barrier island just north of Palm Beach, in Florida's Palm Beach County. Because the rich currents of the Gulf Stream come closest to Florida right here in Palm Beach County bringing amazing schools of fish and large animals, we firmly believe this area hosts the best diving in Florida! We host a full retail center, fill station and training center on site.

Since the most important aspect of diver training takes place in the open water, **Pura Vida Divers, LLC** is fortunate to be located one block from the warm, clear waters of the Atlantic Ocean. We plan for all of your open water training to be conducted in these pristine dive conditions from either the shore or from the dive boat. Confined water activities are conducted either in a nearby pool or in confined open water from the shore. We do utilize Broward Community College's Tigertail Lake occasionally for training scenarios. This is the same lake utilized by PADI for the Instructor Exams held in Ft Lauderdale.

Our facility has two classrooms, a small classroom (18.5 ft. x 10.5 ft.) for private sessions, and a larger classroom (19.5 ft. x 18.5 ft.) for group training. We also provide high speed wireless internet at the school and a computer that is available for students to access their personal email. Our Administrative Offices are on-site.

Pura Vida Divers, LLC is licensed to conduct Scuba Instructor Training by the Commission for Independent Education, in the State of Florida, and by PADI Americas.

COURSE DIRECTORS & INSTRUCTORS

Our Course Director, Barbara DeClerque has trained divers since 1984 and PADI Instructors since 1995. She has an extensive background in recreational scuba diving and was instrumental in the formation of our Instructor Development Center.

Our Course Director, Jillian Blakkan-Strauss mentored under Barbara and now coordinates and conducts many of our Professional Level Courses.

Our Course Director, David Wilemon, is a Veteran of the US Marine Corps and teaches many components of our Professional Level Courses.

Our Technical Instructor, Justin Newton, is a highly experienced Tech diver and coordinates all of our Technical diving courses.

Our diverse team of highly qualified Instructors are available to teach all additional aspects of our Career Programs with the exception of Instructor level courses, which the Course Directors conduct.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING

Skills, Academics, Confined and Open Water presentations will be graded as follows:

5, Excellent; 4, Good; 3, Average; 2 Below Average; 1, Unacceptable.

For PADI Courses: The passing grade on all written tests is 75% or higher. Anything below 75% would be considered failing. PADI Courses are performance based and students will be expected to repeat assignments until acceptable grades are achieved. In order to attain certification at any level, students must demonstrate mastery of all performance requirements specified for a particular course.

Candidates are also required to score at least 3.5 or higher on at least two academic presentations and 3.4 or higher on one open water presentation and two confined open water presentations during the IDC. Upon successful completion of the IDC, students will receive an IDC School Diploma called a "Certificate of Completion" from **Pura Vida Divers**. This Diploma qualifies the Student to attend an Instructor Exam. In the unlikely event a student cannot achieve acceptable grades, they will have the opportunity to repeat all or part of the course in the next program offered.

COUNSELING

Students receive continual input and critique on their performance during the courses. Candidates receive private counseling sessions throughout the IDC. These sessions are conducted by the Course Director and are designed to discover any concerns that a student may have whether academic or procedural.

STUDENT CONCERNS AND GRIEVANCES

Our Professional Training programs follow strict academic standards set forth by PADI. Students will be given several opportunities to meet these standards and obtain the required scores. In the unusual event that a student is unable to complete the course in the set time provided, they will be unable to attend the next course scheduled including the Instructor Exam; however, they will have the opportunity to repeat all or part of the course in the next program offered. Any academic complaints should be directed to the Course Director. Any administrative complaints should be directed to the President. The issues will be reviewed and a response given within 24 hours. If the student is not satisfied with the results after exhausting the institution's policy, the student may contact the Commission for Independent Education using the contact information found on the cover of this catalog.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Professional SCUBA training is by nature very condensed. For this reason, unexcused absences will not be allowed and will be considered grounds for dismissal. Absences due to illness or emergencies must be approved by the Course Director. All training missed due to excused absences must be completed prior to the issuance of any certificate. The student will be charged at a rate of \$40 per contact hour (above and beyond the regular tuition) for all such makeup work if the makeup is conducted in special sessions rather than in subsequent classes. Tardiness will be considered a serious breach of rules. Therefore, lateness on more than two occasions will result in a formal warning; lateness on the third occasion will result in dismissal. Students dismissed or failing to meet certification requirements due to unsatisfactory performance will be required to repeat the appropriate course in its entirety. If extended absences result in failure to complete certification requirements in the allotted time, provisions for completion may be made with the Course Director.

CONDUCT

All students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. Students will be subject to immediate dismissal for the following:

1. Possession or consumption of alcohol or narcotics during training.
2. Abusiveness towards other students or staff including but not limited to sexual harassment and inappropriate advances.
3. Violations of local, state or federal laws.
4. Damage to school premises or property or theft.
5. Gross violation of safe diving practices.

ACADEMIC AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

If a student believes their academic scores are incorrect they can request an evaluation by another staff member. However, due to PADI's strict standards, a Course Director and IDC Staff members have the final say in students' scores. In the unlikely event that a student violates one or more of the actions listed under "CONDUCT" they are subject to dismissal from the school. If they believe they have been judged erroneously they are entitled to a counseling session with the President and a Course Director. The President will have the final say in these matters. Any violations of local, state or federal laws will be reported to the authorities.

HOUSING

Pura Vida will be happy to assist students with accommodation. Contact us for a list of local available housing options.

PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE

Although placement assistance can be offered if requested by the Student, the School does not guarantee employment.

STUDENT RECORDS

Student records will be kept indefinitely. Students will have access to these records upon request.

POLICY STATEMENT

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex or age. We will attempt to accommodate students with disabilities; however, a student must demonstrate the required performance requirements and provide a completed Medical Statement Form (signed by a physician). All applicants to **Pura Vida Divers, LLC** professional level training programs must be at least 18 years of age by the starting date of their course.

DEPOSITS AND TUITION

Deposits are required to hold a space in a course. The deposit must accompany a signed "Enrollment Agreement". Once accepted your deposit will be applied to the program applied for. The balance of tuition is required prior to attending the first class. The school does not offer financial aid.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Acceptable forms of payment include: MC, Visa, AMEX, Discover, or cash. *We do not accept personal checks.* The DEPOSIT is due at the time of signing the Enrollment Agreement and the BALANCE OF TUITION is required prior to attending the first class. All funds are payable in U.S. dollars.

REQUIRED GEAR

Required Equipment: Fins, mask, snorkel, buoyancy control device (BCD) with tank mount or separate backpack and low pressure inflator, primary regulator and alternate air source, submersible pressure gauge, depth gauge, quick release weight system and weights, wetsuit, whistle, dive computer, RDP (eRDPml or Table), delayed surface marker buoy (DSMB), time monitoring device, compass, dive knife/cutting tool, underwater camera. Candidates may arrive with required gear, purchase required gear from **Pura Vida Divers**, or rent most of the required gear from **Pura Vida Divers** for an additional fee.

REFUND POLICY

Should a Student/applicant cancel his/her enrollment or be terminated by the School for any reason, all refunds will be made according to the following schedule:

1. Cancellation can be made in person, by electronic mail, by Certified Mail or by termination.
2. All monies will be refunded if the School does not accept the applicant or if the Student cancels within three (3) business days after signing the enrollment agreement and making initial payment. An applicant not requesting cancellation by the scheduled starting date will be considered a Student.
3. Cancellation after the third (3rd) business day, but before the first class, will result in a refund of all monies paid, with the exception of the deposit (not to exceed \$150.00) and any eLearning fees if applicable. The cost of any books purchased from **Pura Vida Divers** that the student may wish to return will be refunded providing they are unopened and can be resold as new. The books must be returned within three (3) days of signing the Enrollment Agreement in order to receive a full refund. **FAST TRACK & DPCL4 Students Only:** please be aware that once you are issued the equipment included with this program it cannot be returned. If you leave the program for any reason you will be financially responsible for the issued equipment at the cost of \$5,500.00.
4. Students voluntarily terminating and/or those dismissed by the School will receive a refund prorated on an hourly basis. However, there will be no refunds issued once more than 40% of the program is completed.
5. Termination Date: When calculating the refund due to the Student, the last date of actual attendance by the Student is used in the calculation unless earlier written notice was received.
6. Refunds will be made within 30 days of termination of the Student's enrollment or receipt of a Cancellation Notice from the Student.

CREDIT FOR PRIOR TRAINING

Credit for prior training will be assessed by the Course Director on an individual basis and granted if appropriate. Prior training is defined as successful completion of PADI courses within one year and verified by a PADI Course Director in current teaching status. Credits are defined in terms of hours and there is a max amount of 25% transferable. If a candidate produces verifiable prior training, it can be applied.

TRANSFER OF CREDIT

Credit for prior training may only be transferred at the discretion of the accepting institution. It is the student's responsibility to check to see if prior training credit will be accepted by another institution. Definition of a unit of credit is as follows: "clock hour" means a period of 60 minutes with a minimum of 50 minutes of instruction in the presence of an instructor.

PURA VIDA DIVERS PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS:

FAST TRACK 258.0 Clock Hours

Pura Vida Divers Fast Track Program takes a non-diver from Open Water through PADI Divemaster keeping in mind PADI's requirements for time and number of dives. This program can be entered with no certification or experience.

Objective: The objective of the Fast Track Program is to take the non-diver and assist them on their path to becoming a PADI dive professional able to work in the scuba industry.

Entrance/Admission Requirements: 18 years old, PADI Diving Medical examination form signed by a physician (specifically an MD or DO) stating fitness to dive and dated within the previous 12 months.

Fast Track Program consists of 9 components:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
OW-101:	PADI Open Water Diver	25.0	3
AOW-102:	PADI Advanced Open Water Diver	22.0	3
FTD-101:	PADI Fast Track Dives	36.0	6
EAD-101:	PADI Enriched Air Diver	10.0	1
EFRFCFC-101:	PADI Emergency First Response/CFC	10.0	1
DOP-102:	DAN Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries Provider	6.0	½
RES-101:	PADI Rescue Diver	32.0	4
MSD-103:	PADI Master Scuba Diver	31.0	5
DM-201:	PADI Divemaster	86.0	12

DIVE PROFESSIONAL CAREER LEVEL 1: DIVEMASTER 144.0 Clock Hours

The Dive Professional Career Level 1: Divemaster Program is the first Level of **Pura Vida Divers** Career Development Programs. The program encompasses all courses required to enter a PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC), plus highly recommended career enhancement courses. This Level can be entered at any point once meeting the entry requirements. Advanced Open Water Certification is required.

Objective: The objective of **Pura Vida Divers** Dive Professional Career Level 1: Divemaster Program is to take the experienced recreational diver and elevate their certifications and diving skills to the professional level which culminates with a PADI Divemaster certification. This program prepares candidates to take the next step, which is Dive Professional Career Level 2: Open Water Scuba Instructor.

Entrance/Admission Requirements: 18 years old, PADI Advanced Open Water Diver or PADI recognized equivalent and completed PADI EFR Primary and Secondary Care training within the last 24 months or PADI recognized equivalent. 40 dives are required at minimum to start the Rescue and Divemaster components, 60 dives are required before you can be certified as a Divemaster, completion of Knowledge Reviews for Enriched Air, Diving Accident Insurance (DAN is recommended), PADI Diving Medical Examination form signed by a physician (specifically an MD or a DO) stating fitness to dive and dated within the previous 12 months.

Dive Professional Career Level 1: Divemaster Program consists of five components:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
EAD-101:	PADI Enriched Air Diver	10.0	1
EFRFCFC-101:	PADI Emergency First Response/CFC	10.0	1
DOP-102:	DAN Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries Provider	6.0	½
RES-101:	PADI Rescue Diver	32.0	4
DM-201:	PADI Divemaster	86.0	12

DIVEMASTER COURSE

86.0 Clock Hours

The Divemaster Course includes training toward the first professional of Dive Professional in **Pura Vida Divers** Career Development Programs. It can be entered at any point upon meeting the entry requirements. Advanced Open Water Certification, Rescue Diver Certification, documentation of at least 40 logged dives, Enriched Air Certification, and current CPR/First Aid training are required to begin the program.

Objective: The objective of **Pura Vida Divers** Divemaster Course is to take the experienced recreational diver and transition them to the professional level through elevating their diving skills and techniques in the PADI Divemaster course. This course prepares candidates to take the next step, which is Dive Professional Career Level 2: Open Water Scuba Instructor.

Entrance/Admission Requirements: 18 years old, PADI Advanced Open Water Diver or PADI recognized equivalent, PADI Rescue Diver or PADI recognized equivalent, and completed PADI EFR Primary and Secondary Care training within the last 24 months or PADI recognized equivalent. Documentation of 40 logged dives are required at minimum to start the course; 60 dives are required before you can be certified as a Divemaster. Diving Accident Insurance is required (DAN is recommended). PADI Diving Medical Examination form signed by a physician (specifically an MD or a DO) stating fitness to dive and dated within the previous 12 months.

The Divemaster Course Consists of one component:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
DM-201:	PADI Divemaster	86.0	12

DIVE PROFESSIONAL CAREER LEVEL 2: OPEN WATER SCUBA INSTRUCTOR 91.0 Clock Hours

Pura Vida Divers Dive Professional Career Level 2 is the Open Water Scuba Instructor course. This program begins with the PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC). This level also includes EFR/CFC Instructor and the PADI Instructor Examination.

Additionally, we offer optional Instructor Exam Theory Preparation Workshops available for those who would like additional instruction. This Career Level can be entered at any point provided the student meets the entry requirements. After successful completion of the PADI Instructor Exam (IE), PADI will award the candidate its Open Water Scuba Instructor certification.

Objective: The objective of **Pura Vida Divers** Dive Professional Career Level 2: Open Water Scuba Instructor is to take a certified Divemaster and elevate their certifications and diving skills to the PADI Instructor level. This program puts these candidates on a direct path to working in the diving industry as an Instructor.

Entrance/Admission Requirements: 18 years old, certified as PADI Advanced Open Water Diver, PADI Rescue Diver and PADI Divemaster or PADI recognized equivalents and completed PADI EFR Primary and Secondary Care training within the last 24 months or PADI recognized equivalent. Be a certified Open Water Diver for at least 6 months. Have a PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician (MO or DO) and dated within the previous 12 months. Proof of 100 logged dives and showing experience in Deep, Night and Navigation. Have Diving Accident Insurance (Divers Alert Network Insurance is recommended)

Dive Professional Career Level 2: Open Water Scuba Instructor Program consists of three components:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
EFRICFCI-201:	*PADI Emergency First Response Instructor/CFCI	16.0	1
IDC-201:	PADI Instructor Development Course	75.0	10
	PADI Instructor Examination		2

*This course covers adult, child and infant skills and will certify you as both EFR and CFC Instructor.

MASTER SCUBA DIVER TRAINER PREP

34.5 Clock Hours

Pura Vida Divers Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep Program includes 5 PADI Specialty Instructor certifications. At the conclusion of this program the student will meet the qualifications to apply for MSDT once PADI's requirements are met.

Objective: **Pura Vida Divers** Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep program was developed to expand the teaching opportunities for PADI Instructors. It provides additional teaching credentials that are sought after by potential employers, and increases the Instructors' employability.

Entrance/Admissions Requirements: 18 years of age; DAN Membership, Active Status Open Water Scuba Instructor with CPR & First Aid Instructor ratings. Current CPR Instructor, documentation of current First Aid training (Instructor level recommended), must be a renewed PADI Instructor or completed an IDC or OWSI course within the last 12 months. Certified as a PADI Enriched Air (Nitrox) diver or hold a qualifying certified training within the last 24 months.

The Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep Program consists of one component:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
MSDT-301:	PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer	34.5	4

DIVE PROFESSIONAL CAREER LEVEL 3: RESORT OPERATIONS 182.5 Clock Hours

Pura Vida Divers Dive Professional Career Level 3 consists of DAN Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor (includes 6 DAN Instructor and 4 Provider certifications), PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep (includes 5 PADI Specialty Instructor certifications), and Resort Operations (an additional 6 Instructor ratings and 8 certifications. At the conclusion of this program the student will meet the qualifications to apply for MSDT once PADI's requirements are met.

Objective: **Pura Vida Divers** Dive Professional Career Level 3: Resort Operations program was developed to help PADI Instructors become successful in their scuba careers by providing additional necessary training sought after by potential employers. This program offers our students one of the most comprehensive continuing education programs in the industry.

Entrance/Admissions Requirements: 18 years of age; DAN Membership, Active Status Open Water Scuba Instructor with CPR & First Aid Instructor ratings. Current CPR Instructor, documentation of current First Aid training (Instructor level recommended), must be a renewed PADI Instructor or completed an IDC or OWSI course within the last 12 months. Certified as a PADI Enriched Air (Nitrox) diver or hold a qualifying certified training within the last 24 months.

Professional Career Level 3: Resort Operations Program consists of three components:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
DFAPRO-301:	Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor	20.0	2
MSDT-301:	PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer	34.5	4
RO-301:	Resort Operations Instructor	128.0	13

**DIVE PROFESSIONAL CAREER LEVEL 4:
TEC DEEP
116.0 Clock Hours**

Pura Vida Divers Career level 4 is the Tec Deep program. This program begins with the PADI Tec 40 course, which bridges the gap between recreational diving and technical diving. The program then covers the PADI Tec 45 and the PADI Tec 50 courses. This level can be entered at any point once meeting the entry requirements.

Objective: The objective of Pura Vida Divers Dive Professional Career Level 4 Tec Deep program is to take experienced recreational divers and elevate their skills and knowledge to a technical diving level. This program cumulates with the PADI Tec 50 certification and prepares candidates to take the next step in technical deep diving.

Entrance/Admission Requirements: 18 years old, certified as a PADI Rescue Diver and PADI Enriched Air Diver or PADI recognized equivalents. Proof of a minimum of 100 logged dives with 20 dives on EANx deeper than 60ft and 15 dives deeper than 100ft. Have a PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician and dated within the previous 12 months. Have Diving Accident Insurance (Divers Alert Network Insurance is recommended).

Dive Professional Career Level 4: Tec Deep Program consists of three components:

Course Code	Course Name	Clock Hours	Days
TFR - 201:	PADI Tec 40 Diver	39.0	5
TFRFV - 202:	PADI Tec 45 Diver	39.0	5
TFFFV - 203:	PADI Tec 50 Diver	38.0	5

INDIVIDUAL COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

OW-101: PADI Open Water Course 25.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Open Water Course is a three-day class which provides the skills and knowledge necessary to become a safe, certified, recreational scuba diver. The course consists of a full day of classroom and pool work followed by two half days of shore and ocean dives with an instructor.

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Certification: PADI Open Water Diver

Number of Dives: 4

Recommended Equipment: Underwater slate with pencil

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge however a deposit of \$50.00 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Section 1 Being a diver, equipment, skills	1.0
Section 2 Being a diver, equipment, skills	1.0
Section 3 Being a diver, problem management, skills	1.0
Section 4 Being a diver, equipment, using a computer	1.0
Section 5 Using a dive computer, being a diver, skills	1.0
Exam	1.0
Confined water dives 1-5	6.0
Open water dives 1-4	12.0
Administration	1.0
Total Clock Hours	25.0

AOW-102: PADI Advanced Open Water Course 22.0 Clock Hours

The Advanced Open Water Course is a two-day training class which provides recreational divers with the knowledge required to safely plan and conduct advanced recreational level dives. Five advanced level dives conducted from boat and shore followed with an academic session for each topic.

Prerequisite: Applicant must be certified as PADI Open Water Diver and show completion of Adventure Dive Knowledge Reviews.

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Certification: PADI Advanced Open Water Diver

Number of Dives: 5

Recommended Equipment: underwater slate with pencil, reel, pony bottle or stage bottle, underwater camera

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
AWARE Fish Identification	2.5
Deep Diver	3.5
Peak Performance Buoyancy	3.0
Search & Recovery	3.5
Underwater Navigation	2.5
Knowledge Review Sessions	6.0
Administration	1.0
Total Clock Hours	22.0

FTD-101: PADI Fast Track Dives 36.0 Clock Hours

The **Pura Vida Divers** Fast Track Dives provide the student with the opportunity to gain additional dives and achieve the total number of dives required to progress through the PADI system and our Dive Professional Career Level programs.

Prerequisites: 18 years, PADI Open Water Diver

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Number of Dives: 12

Recommended Equipment: underwater slate with pencil, underwater camera, reel

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Registration/Waiver x6 days	3.0
Dive Briefing x 6 days	3.0
Gear Set-up/Pre-dive Check x 6 days	3.0
Dive Site Set up x 6 days	3.0
Dive #1 x 6 dives	6.0
Surface Interval x6 dives	6.0
Dive #2 x 6 dives	6.0
Dive De-briefing x 6 days	3.0
Gear tear Down & Rinse x 6 days	3.0
Total Clock Hours	36.0

EAD-101: PADI Enriched Air Diver 10.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Enriched Air Diver is a one-day training class which provides recreational divers with the knowledge required to safely plan and conduct recreational Enriched Air dives. Two Enriched Air ocean boat dives follow the academic topics and exams.

Prerequisites: Applicant must be certified as PADI Open Water Diver and show completion of Enriched Air Diver Knowledge Reviews.

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Certification: PADI Enriched Air Diver

Number of Dives: 2

Recommended Equipment: underwater slate with pencil, reel

Note: Enriched Air Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Advantages & Disadvantages	0.5
Enriched Air Diving Equipment	0.5
Using the RDP with Enriched Air	1.0
Managing Oxygen Exposure	0.5
Special Applications	0.5
Diving Emergencies	0.5
Obtaining Enriched Air	0.5
Enriched Air Formulas	0.5
Technical Diving	0.5
Admin & Exams	1.0
Confined & Open Water Skills	
Plan and Complete 2 Dives	4.0
Total Clock Hours	10.0

EFRFC-101: PADI Emergency First Response/CFC 10.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Emergency First Response (EFR) course is a basic training course in emergency care, CPR, basic first aid, AED and other important emergency care skills. They are combined into a one-day course which allows graduates to function with consistent priorities in an emergency. This training is a prerequisite for certification as a PADI Rescue Diver, PADI Divemaster and meets the requirements for career students attending the PADI IDC and EFR Instructor training.

Prerequisites: Any person may attend this course

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Certification: PADI Emergency First Response/CFC

Required Equipment: Non-rebreather mask, pocket mask

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Scene Assessment	0.5
Barrier Use	0.5
Primary Assessment	0.5
Rescue Breathing	0.5
CPR	0.5
Choking	0.5
AED Use	0.5
Bleeding	0.5
Shock Management	0.5
Spinal Injury	0.5
Illness Assessment	0.5
Injury Assessment	0.5
Bandaging	0.5
Splinting	0.5
Scenario	0.5
Exams	1.0
Administration	1.5
Total Clock Hours	10.0

DOP-102: DAN Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries Provider 6.0 Clock Hours

The DAN (Divers Alert Network) Oxygen Provider course is a basic training course in providing oxygen first aid to injured divers of diving related accidents. This training is a prerequisite for the PADI/DAN Oxygen Instructor and Career Level 3 programs. When combined with the PADI Rescue Diver and EFR courses, students receive the best possible preparation to react to any diving rescue incident. This course is considered highly desirable by most dive operators.

Prerequisites: PADI EFR/CFC certification or current CPR & First Aid training

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Certification: DAN Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries Provider, PADI Oxygen First Aid Diver

Required Equipment: Non-rebreather mask, pocket mask

Note: DAN membership is not included in Career Level pricing – Check DAN for pricing.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Anatomy & Physiology	0.5
Decompression Sickness	0.5
Arterial Gas Embolism	0.5
Benefits of Oxygen	0.5
Oxygen Equipment	0.5
Conscious Diver	0.5
Unconscious Diver	0.5
Non Breathing Diver	0.5
Two Injured Divers	0.5
Exams	1.0
Administration	0.5
Total Clock Hours	6.0

RES-101: PADI Rescue Diver

32.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Rescue Diver course is a four-day class involving classroom presentations, confined water and beach skill development sessions followed by 2 open water scenario dives. Upon completion of the course, the student is certified as a PADI Rescue Diver and qualifies for further training as a PADI Divemaster.

Prerequisites: Applicant must be certified as a PADI Advanced Open Water Diver or PADI recognized equivalent and completed PADI EFR Primary and Secondary Care training within the last 24 months or PADI recognized equivalent. Plus 20 logged dives.

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Certification: PADI Rescue Diver

Number of Dives: 2 (10 training exercises and 2 open water scenarios conducted during confined water and open water sessions)

Required Equipment: pocket mask

Recommended Equipment: underwater slate with pencil

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
The Psychology of Rescue	2.0
Diver Emergency Preparedness	2.0
Accident Management	2.0
Responding to Diving Emergencies	2.0
Administration & Exam	2.0
Confined & Open Water Skills Self-Rescue Review	1.0
Tired Diver	1.0
Panicked Diver	2.0
Response from Shore, Boat, Dock	2.0
Distressed Diver Underwater	1.0
Missing Diver	1.0
Surfacing the Unconscious Diver	1.0
Unresponsive Diver at the Surface	2.0
Exiting the Unresponsive Diver	2.0
First Aid/Pressure Related Injuries	1.0
Open Water Scenarios (2-4)	8.0
Total Clock Hours	32.0

MSD-103: PADI Master Scuba Diver

31.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Master Scuba Diver Course is a five-day training class which provides advanced level divers with additional training in five specified types of diving. Five open water dives with specialized practical training and knowledge reviews which denotes the diver with superior experience and achievement.

Prerequisites: PADI Open Water Diver, PADI Advanced Open Water Diver, PADI Rescue Diver, Minimum of five PADI Specialty Diver courses, Minimum of 50 logged dives

Minimum Age: 18 years old
(minimum 18 years of age in order to track toward Divemaster)

Number of Dives: 15

Recommended Equipment: underwater slate with pencil, primary dive light, secondary dive light, lift bag with rope, reel with line

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topics & Skills	Clock Hours
PADI AWARE Fish Identification Specialty	3.0
PADI Deep Diver Specialty	8.0
PADI Peak Performance Buoyancy Specialty	3.0
PADI Search & Recovery Specialty	5.0
PADI Underwater Navigation Specialty	5.0
Knowledge Review Session	6.0
Administration	1.0
Total Clock Hours	31.0

DM-201: PADI Divemaster

86.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Divemaster course is a twelve-day course during which qualified Rescue Divers learn the knowledge and skills necessary to make the transition from a recreational diver to the first professional membership level of PADI.

Professional level academic knowledge is developed and tested.

Confined water training includes: improving all standard open water skills to demonstration quality; Rescue skills; equipment exchange (problem solving); watermanship and stamina. Dives typically include: deep, wreck, drift, reef, navigation, underwater mapping. Dive leader exercises develop the candidates' skills in dive planning, leadership and proper response to common underwater problems. Functioning as an instructional assistant is also covered in the pool and open water. Upon successful completion of the course, the student is certified as a PADI Divemaster and qualifies for attendance in the PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC).

Prerequisites: Certified as a PADI Advanced Open Water Diver and PADI Rescue Diver or equivalent. Completed PADI EFR Primary and Secondary Care training within the last 24 months or PADI recognized equivalent. 40 dives are required to start the Divemaster program but 60 dives are required before the Divemaster candidate can be certified (this must also include Deep Underwater Navigation, and Night diving experience). Diving accident insurance (DAN is recommended). PADI Diving Medical Examination Form signed by a physician (specifically an MD or a DO) stating fitness to dive and dated within the previous 12 months.

Minimum Age: 18 years old

Certification: PADI Divemaster

Required Equipment: pocket mask, two surface signaling devices (one audible – marine radio, whistle, air horn, etc. and one visible - delayed surface marker buoy (DSMB), signal mirror, flare, etc.)

Recommended Equipment: Underwater slate with pencil, primary dive light, secondary dive light, lift bag with rope, reel with line

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Please see next page for breakdown of clock hours

DM-201: PADI Divemaster

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Orientation	2.0
The Role & Characteristics of a PADI Divemaster	3.0
Administration	2.0
Supervising Diving Activities	2.0
Assisting Students with Student Divers	2.0
Diving Safety & Risk Management	2.0
Divemaster Conducted Programs	2.0
Specialized Skills & Activities	2.0
Business of Diving & Your Career	2.0
Awareness of the Diving Environment	2.0
Dive Theory	5.0
Exams	4.0
Confined Water Skills	
Waterskills Exercises	5.0
Diver Rescue Evaluations	2.0
Diver Skills Workshop	4.0
Practical Application (Confined & Open Water Skills)	
Practical Skills	15.0
Divemaster Conducted Programs Workshops	15.0
Practical Assessments	15.0
Total Clock Hours	86.0

EFRICFCI-201: PADI Emergency First Response Instructor /CFCI 16.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Emergency First Response (EFR) and Care for Children (CFC) Instructor Course is a program which instructs candidates how to organize, instruct, market and promote the EFR and CFC courses. This course emphasizes hands-on skills, practice demonstrations and problem solving.

Prerequisites: Applicant must be current with CPR, First Aid, AED and Care for Children training.

Minimum Age: 18 years old

Certification: PADI Emergency First Response/Care for Children Instructor.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Course Orientation	1.5
EFR Educational Philosophy	2.0
Learning and Instruction Workshop	2.0
Teaching Emergency First Response Skills Workshop	4.0
Care for Children and CPR & AED Course Standards and content	1.5
Care for Children Skills Workshop	1.5
Organizing an Emergency First Response Course	1.0
Mannequin Cleaning Workshop	0.5
Marketing Emergency First Response	0.5
Course Final Exam	1.0
Administration	0.5
Total Clock Hours	16.0

IDC-201: PADI Instructor Development Course

75.0 Clock Hours

This nine-day course trains eligible students to qualify for and successfully pass the PADI Instructor exam in order to obtain a PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor Certification. In order to become a **PADI Open Water Instructor** a qualified student must successfully complete the **Instructor Development Course (IDC)** and then attend and pass the **PADI Instructor Exam (IE)**. The IDC can be entered at any level provided you meet the entry requirements. After successful completion of the PADI Instructor Examination (IE), PADI will award candidates its Open Water Scuba Instructor certification.

The complete PADI Instructor Development Course is designed to prepare qualified candidates to become PADI Instructors. The IDC is divided into two segments. The first is the Assistant Instructor (AI) course and the second is the Open Water Scuba Instructor (OWSI) course. Together the two courses encompass the entire IDC. Both courses must be completed before attending the PADI Instructor Exam (IE). Each segment can be scheduled as a stand-alone course or completed all at one time.

Prerequisites: Proof of PADI Open Water, Advanced, Rescue and Divemaster or equivalent certifications from another training organization. Be a certified Open Water Diver for at least 6 months. Certified in First Aid and CPR training within the last 24 months (PADI EFR/CFC is recommended). Have PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician (MD or DO) and dated within the previous 12 months. Proof of at least 60 logged open water scuba dives.

Minimum Age: 18 years of age.

Completion Requirements: Proof of 100 logged dives is required. **Note:** candidates who are not PADI Divemasters are also required to pass the diver rescue skills assessment.

Certification: PADI IDC Application Fee - \$325 included in the Career Level pricing.

Number of Dives: 5

Required Equipment: pencil, underwater slate, audible signaling device (both surface and underwater) PADI RDP, eRDPml, logbook, two dive lights (one primary and one backup), non-rebreather and a pocket mask

Recommended Equipment: wreck reel and lift bag (recommended).

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

All IDC Candidates are required by PADI Standards to have the most current copies of all diver level manuals including Open Water, Advanced, Rescue and Divemaster. These books are NOT included in the cost of this course.

IDC-2: PADI Instructor Development Course

IDC Curriculum Components	Clock Hours
Learning, Instruction & The PADI System	1.5
General Standards & Procedures	1.5
Risk Management	0.5
Marketing Diving	1.5
Start Diving	1.0
Teaching PADI Specialty Diver Courses	1.5
The Business of Diving	1.5
Keep Diving	2.0
How to Teach the Recreational Dive Planner	1.5
Orientation & PADI System Workshop	4.0
Candidate Pre Assessment Exams	2.0
Dive Theory Workshop	3.0
Confined Water & Open Water Training Workshops	3.0
Skill Development Workshop (briefing & confined water)	2.0
Candidate Confined Water Teaching Presentation - Dry & Wet 1, 2, 3 & 4	10.0
Discover Scuba Diving Workshop (briefing & confined water)	2.0
Learning & Teaching Workshop	1.5
Knowledge Development Presentation Workshop	2.0
Risk Management & Licensing Workshop	1.0
Open Water Diver Course Scheduling & Set Up Workshop	1.0
Candidate Knowledge Development Teaching Presentation - 1, 2, & 3	8.0
Advanced Open Water Diver, Continuing Education & Rescue Diver Workshops	6.5
Candidate Open Water Teaching Presentation - Dry & Wet 1 & 2	10.0
Discover Scuba Diving Workshop - open water & registration	2.0
Sales Techniques Workshop	1.0
Dive Theory & Systems, Standards & Procedures Exams	3.0
Course Close	0.5
TOTAL HOURS	75.0

One clock hour is equal to 50 minutes of instructor led training followed by an appropriate break.

PADI INSTRUCTOR EXAMINATION IE

The PADI Instructor Examination (IE) is scheduled on Saturday and Sunday in Fort Lauderdale, or Vero Beach (check scheduling by contacting **Pura Vida Divers**) following **Pura Vida Divers** IDC. The IE is a standardized, objective evaluation conducted by Instructor Examiners from PADI Headquarters. Therefore, it has no affiliation with **Pura Vida Divers** or any other Instructor Development Center. Only PADI Headquarter Instructor Examiners are involved.

Prerequisites: To qualify for the IE, a candidate must have successfully completed a PADI IDC within 12 months; must show proof of at least 100 logged open water scuba dives; and must have a PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician (MD or DO) and dated within the previous 12 months

Instructor candidates must complete the following exams and perform the following skills:

Classroom

- Five-part theory exams on Physics, Physiology, Equipment, Skills & Environment and the PADI Recreational Dive Planner (tables & eRDPml versions) – multiple choice, true/false, 12 questions on each topic exam.
- PADI Systems, Standards & Procedures exam – multiple choice, open book, 50 question exam.
- Perform and pass one Knowledge Development Prescriptive Teaching Presentation.

Pool

- Demonstrate a 5 skills circuit as detailed by the Examiners.
- Perform and pass one Confined Water Teaching Presentation.

Open Water

- Perform an Unconscious Diver at the Surface rescue to demonstration quality.
- Perform one Open Water Teaching Presentation with 2 skills combined.

The Instructor Candidate must successfully complete all components of the PADI IE in order to earn the PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor (OWSI) certification. As an OWSI, one is qualified to teach various experience programs, the Open Water, Advanced Open Water, Rescue and Divemaster courses in addition to the Peak Performance Buoyancy and Project Aware specialty courses. Candidates are allowed to retake the IE if they do not pass the first time attempt with additional payments to PADI required.

PADI Instructor Exam Fee - \$825 – included in Career Level Pricing

Required Equipment: pencil, underwater slate, audible signaling device (both surface and underwater) PADI RDP, eRDPml, logbook, two dive lights (one primary and one backup), non-rebreather and a pocket mask

Recommended Equipment: wreck reel and lift bag (recommended).

Note: Candidates are expected to arrive at the IE with all necessary diving equipment, books and training aids. Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

DAILY SCHEDULE: IDC/IE

Day 1	5.30-8.30 p.m.	Orientation
Days 2-9	8.00 a.m.- 12.00 noon	Instruction
12.00 noon - 1.00 p.m.	Lunch	
1.00 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.	Instruction	
Day 10	IE Preparation Day	
Days 11, 12	Instructor Exam (IE)	

Logistical considerations such as weather and specific course requirements may vary the schedule. However, students should be prepared for the above schedule.

2024 Schedule:

DIVE PROFESSIONAL CAREER LEVEL 2: OPEN WATER SCUBA INSTRUCTOR

Year	IDC	IE	IE Location	EFRI
2024	March 6-15	March 16-17	Ft. Lauderdale	March 6-7
2024	May 1-10	May 11-12	Ft. Lauderdale	May 1-2
2024	June 26-July 5	July 6-7	Ft. Lauderdale	July 6-7
2024	August 21-30	August 31-Sept 1	Ft. Lauderdale	August 21-22
2024	October 16-25	October 26-27	Ft. Lauderdale	October 16-17
2024	December 11-20	December 21-22	Ft. Lauderdale	December 11-12

MSDT-301: PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep 34.5 Clock Hours

Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep course is actually five PADI Specialty Instructor courses conducted in a fully integrated manner over four days. The MSDT course is designed to train instructors in how to organize market and conduct the following PADI Specialty Diver Courses:

1. PADI AWARE Fish Identification Diver Instructor
2. PADI Boat Diver Instructor
3. PADI Deep Diver Instructor
4. PADI Drift Diver Instructor
5. PADI Enriched Air Diver Instructor

The course involves academic presentations and 5 open water dives. Candidates are shown how to conduct training dives, briefings and scenarios.

Prerequisites: Applicants must be a PADI Instructor or have attended a PADI IDC within the last 12 months. The applicant must be able to show proof of at least 10 logged dives in each specialty diving area prior to submitting his/her Specialty Instructor application to PADI. This requirement may be met after the MSDT course.

Minimum Age: 18 years of age.

Certification: 5 PADI Specialty Instructor ratings

NOTE: Current PADI MSDT Fee is additional and is NOT included in the Career Level tuition. Candidates must apply for the MSDT once this class is completed and candidates can show proof to PADI of processing 25 student certifications.

Number of Open Water Dives: 5

Required Equipment: pocket mask, two surface signaling devices (one audible – marine radio, whistle, air horn, etc. and one visible - delayed surface marker buoy (DSMB), signal mirror, flare, etc.), dive gloves, underwater slate with pencil

Recommended Equipment: Primary dive light, secondary dive light, lift bag with rope, reel with line, 30 cu ft stage cylinder with first stage, one – second stage and submersible pressure gauge

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Topic & Skills & O/W Dives	Clock Hours
AWARE Fish Identification Diver (1 Dive)	6.0
Boat Diver (1 Dive)	6.0
Deep Diver (2 Dives)	10.5
Drift Diver (1 Dive)	6.0
EANx Diver (0 Dive)	6.0
Total Clock Hours	34.5

DFAPRO-301: Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor 20.0 Clock Hours

Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor (DFAPRO) – The remote location of many dive sites, whether a few hours from shore or days from civilization, requires more advanced care than that offered by traditional rescue training. In addition, dive leaders need to know how to deal with minor marine life injuries, a subject rarely addressed in traditional first aid courses. To respond to this need for practical knowledge the Diving First Aid for Professional Divers program was developed. DFA Pro is comprised of information from the Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries and Basic Life Support courses, and also includes training in Neurological Assessment and First Aid for Hazardous Marine Life Injuries. It meets U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines for workplace CPR and first aid.

Candidates will learn about:

- Anatomy, physiology, blood borne pathogens
- Decompression Illness and Oxygen First Aid
- Response, assessment, and medical emergency management

Candidates will develop the following skills:

- Scene safety assessment
- Initial and secondary assessments
- One- and two-person CPR for adults, children and infants
- Automated external defibrillator (AED) use
- Obstructed airway management
- Oxygen first aid administration
- F-A-S-T assessment
- Wound management and bandage and splint application
- Control of external bleeding
- Pressure immobilization technique
- Severe allergic reaction management

Prerequisites: Applicant must have a DAN Membership and be an active Open Water Scuba Instructor.

Minimum Age: 18 years of age.

Certifications:

- DAN CPR: Health Care Provider with First Aid Instructor
- DAN Emergency Oxygen for Diving Injuries Instructor.
- DAN Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor

***NOTE:** Instructor recognition is given to individuals who hold the above instructor-level certifications.

Please see next page for breakdown of clock hours

DFAPRO-301: Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor

Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
DAN Instructor Qualification Course Core Module	1.0
DAN Core Part 2 Module	1.0
Diving First Aid for Professional Divers Instructor	10.0
Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries Instructor	3.0
Basic Life Support Instructor	4.0
Instructor Presentations	1.0
Total Clock Hours	20.0

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RO-301: Resort Operations

128.0 Clock Hours

An instructor working in a resort does more than teach dive classes, in fact teaching classes may be something he or she does very infrequently. A team member in a diving resort needs to be able to function in a variety of ways, and be skilled in several areas such as boat handling, customer sales and relations, and introducing non-divers to the marine environment. Hence the Dive Resort Operations Program.

The Resort Operations program was written and developed exclusively for **Pura Vida Divers** by PADI Course Director Barbara DeClerque. Resort Operations is **Pura Vida Divers** “flagship” program that is a proprietary professional development course. Only at **Pura Vida Divers** can you earn this valuable training and certification. Based on extensive resort operations job analysis and frequent feedback from employers at the world’s top dive resorts, the Resort Operations curriculum ensures that Resort Operations graduates are among the best trained in the world, and are able to meet the challenges of the ever changing industry and consumer.

Dive Shop Operations: All aspects of diving (training, charters, air fills, repair, and equipment sales) filter through the dive shop; therefore, it is essential that all dive professionals have an understanding and working knowledge of the dive shop operations. This section has 3 components.

Introduction to Dive Shop 360, Fare Harbor and Constant Contact: Dive Shop 360 is a modern, cloud-based business management software tool that makes running dive shops easier. DS360 offers many features that help dive store owners and employees increase profits and commissions with greater customer satisfaction. Fare Harbor is a modern, online reservation platform. Constant Contact is an online email marketing service. The knowledge and skills acquired will include:

- An introduction to DS360 as a Point of Sale Tool
- An introduction to Fare Harbor as an online reservation platform
- How Constant Contact can be used for effective and targeted marketing

Equipment Specialist: Whether your job involves the use, retail sale or repair and maintenance of scuba equipment, knowing the theory and operation of the equipment used in our industry is a vital key for your success. The knowledge and skills acquired will include:

- Develop practical knowledge of the theory, principles and operation of the diving equipment
- Perform routine, recommended care and maintenance procedures
- Basic field repair techniques
- Preparing equipment for sale

Sales and Customer Service Training: Diving is an equipment intensive sport and the knowledgeable professional must be able to counsel students and customers alike in proper equipment selection by considering their needs and budget. Additionally, dive professionals must exhibit an aptitude for customer service. Knowledge and skills acquired will include:

- Assessing the diver's equipment needs
- Proper sizing and fitting
- Knowing which features are of benefit and importance to students and customers
- Demonstrating attention to detail and complete customer satisfaction

Charter Operations: Snorkel and Scuba Charters are an integral part of many dive resorts and can be the busiest and most exciting part of the instructor's day. Knowledge and skills acquired will include:

Underwater Navigation Diver Specialty Instructor: The purpose of the PADI Underwater Navigation Diver Specialty course is to familiarize divers with the skills, knowledge, planning, organization, procedures, techniques, problems, hazards, and enjoyment of diving using natural clues and by following compass headings.

Digital Underwater Imaging Instructor: Digital Underwater Imaging training will expand your marketability, your earning potential, and add enjoyment to your resort based employment. The knowledge and skills acquired will include:

- Assembling and testing camera equipment prior to a dive
- Practice getting good color as appropriate to the camera system using white balance, flash, filters and wide angle
- Demonstrate care for the equipment while taking picture underwater
- Evaluating exposure, sharpness and composition
- Downloading and editing digital pictures

Wreck Diver Specialty Instructor: Learn how to use wreck reels to penetrate wrecks. This valuable training will aid in dive guiding, looking for missing divers and providing guidance to customers on the benefits of wreck diving to the risks involved with wreck penetration.

Night Diver Specialty Instructor: Teach your divers how to skillfully dive at night by focusing on: what you can see in your light's beam, on controlling your buoyancy by feel, on staying with your buddy and on paying attention to details you may overlook during the day. Learn light handling and communication techniques, entering, exiting and navigating in the dark, identifying how plants and animals differ or change behavior at night.

Coral Reef Ecology Diver Distinctive Specialty Instructor: Learn to teach your divers how to understand, identify and appreciate the functions and behaviors found in the marine environment.

Underwater Naturalist Instructor: Divers enjoy their dives much more if they know what they are looking at. Teach your divers to identify the fish, creatures and coral species commonly seen.

Basic Seamanship and Emergency Action Procedures: Candidates gain confidence in managing a rescue as they work alongside **Pura Vida Divers** crew practicing real-time rescues in the ocean.

Fill Station Operations: Fill station operators are the primary line of defense in preventing unsafe cylinders returning to service. Students learn to fulfill this role by gaining the following knowledge and skills:

PSI Visual Cylinder Inspector: The PSI Visual Inspector Course is conducted over one day and covers a wide variety of topics that will help identify problems developing in cylinders before they become an explosive danger. Students receive hands-on training that qualifies them to technically and visually inspect cylinders for damage and defects during the interval between hydrostatic re-tests.

PSI Valve Repair Technician: This course provides a broad overview of valve types, valve repair and valve care. Students will gain experience by servicing multiple valves and in turn be prepared to service more than just the cylinder.

PSI Oxygen Cylinder Cleaning Technician: Cylinders and valves intended for Enriched Air Nitrox (EANx) service require special cleaning and inspection procedures. This course addresses the handling, inspection and cleaning of EANx cylinders.

Compressor Theory and Operations: Resort operators value employees who can properly maintain and operate these expensive and vital systems. **Pura Vida Divers** houses one of the most advanced fill stations in South Florida allowing DRS students an opportunity to learn from a State of the Art system. The advanced air-system knowledge and skills acquired during Resort Operations includes:

- An overview of compressor and filtration function
- Air fill station design and operation
- Checking and changing lubricants and filters
- Power start up procedures
- Cylinder filling procedures

DSAT Gas Blender: The Diving Science and Technology (DSAT) Gas Blender course will instruct the diver to completely mix and blend Nitrox cylinders using formulas and computer-based methods currently available. The course is divided into knowledge development and practical application sections. The knowledge and skills acquired will include:

- Oxygen; use and risks
- Helium blending theory
- Use of oxygen compatible air
- Gas blending Methods
- Nitrox blending

Resort Operations: Once you've completed the previous sections, you get to put your new skill set into practice by crewing, assisting with real classes and facilitating dive store operations. Students interact with actual customers while gaining invaluable experiences in all aspects of Dive Resort operations.

NOTE: Students do NOT take the place of paid crewmembers, staff or instructors. Student learning is conducted working under staff supervision at all times.

Prerequisites: Applicant must be certified as an Open Water Scuba Instructor, EFR Instructor (or equivalent), and DAN Oxygen Provider (current within 24 months). Additionally, for each Specialty except Equipment Specialist, the applicant must be able to show proof of at least 10 logged dives in each specialty diving area prior to submitting his/her Specialty Instructor application to PADI. This requirement may be met after the Resort Operations program.

Minimum Age: 18 years of age.

Required Equipment: pocket mask, two surface signaling devices (one audible – marine radio, whistle, air horn, etc. and one visible - delayed surface marker buoy (DSMB), signal mirror, flare, etc.), dive gloves, underwater slate with pencil

Recommended Equipment: Primary dive light, secondary dive light, lift bag with rope, wreck reel with line, 30 cu ft stage cylinder with first stage, one – second stage and submersible pressure gauge

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Topic & Skills & O/W Dives	Clock Hours
Dive Shop Operations	10.0
Charter Operations	35.0
Fill Station Operations	28.0
Resort Practicum	55.0
Total Clock Hours	128.0

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TFR - 201: PADI Tec 40 Course

39.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Tec 40 course is a four-day course that provides divers with the skills and knowledge to safely plan and conduct limited decompression dives. The course consists of knowledge development sessions, practical applications, a confined / limited open water dive, two simulated decompression dives, a decompression dive, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: PADI Rescue Diver and PADI Enriched Air Diver or PADI recognized equivalents. Proof of 30 logged dives. PADI Deep Diver or proof of 10 logged dives to 100ft. Have a PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician and dated within the previous 12 months. Have Diving Accident Insurance (Divers Alert Network Insurance is recommended).

Minimum Age: 18 years old

Certification: PADI Tec 40 Diver

Number of Dives: 4

Required Equipment: Laptop, Tablet, or Smartphone (to run decompression software)

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Knowledge Development Session 1	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 2	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 3	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 4	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 5	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 6	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 7	1.5
Exam	1.5
Practical Application 1	4.0
Dive 1	6.0
Practical Application 2	2.0
Dive 2	3.0
Practical Application 3	2.0

Dive 3	3.0
Practical Application 4	2.0
Dive 4	4.0
Administration	1.0
Total Clock Hours	39.0

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TFRFV - 202: PADI Tec 45 Course

39.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Tec 45 course is a four-day course that provides divers with the skills and knowledge to safely plan and conduct single gas switch accelerated decompression dives. The course consists of knowledge development sessions, practical applications, a confined / limited open water dive, two simulated decompression dives, a decompression dive, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: PADI Rescue Diver and PADI Tec 40 Diver or PADI recognized equivalents. Proof of 50 logged dives with at least 10 logged dives to deeper than 100ft. Have a PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician and dated within the previous 12 months. Have Diving Accident Insurance (Divers Alert Network Insurance is recommended).

Minimum Age: 18 years old

Certification: PADI Tec 45 Diver

Number of Dives: 4

Required Equipment: Laptop, Tablet, or Smartphone (to run decompression software)

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Knowledge Development Session 1	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 2	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 3	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 4	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 5	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 6	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 7	1.5
Exam	1.5
Practical Application 1	4.0
Dive 1	6.0

Practical Application 2	2.0
Dive 2	3.0
Practical Application 3	2.0
Dive 3	3.0
Practical Application 4	2.0
Dive 4	4.0
Administration	1.0
Total Clock Hours	39.0

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TFFFV - 203: PADI Tec 50 Course

38.0 Clock Hours

The PADI Tec 50 course is a four-day course that provides divers with the skills and knowledge to safely plan and conduct multiple gas switch accelerated decompression dives. The course consists of knowledge development sessions, practical applications, a confined / limited open water dive, one simulated decompression dive, two decompression dives, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: PADI Rescue Diver and PADI Tec 45 Diver or PADI recognized equivalents. Proof of 100 logged dives. Have a PADI Diving Medical Statement signed by a physician and dated within the previous 12 months. Have Diving Accident Insurance (Divers Alert Network Insurance is recommended).

Minimum Age: 18 years old

Certification: PADI Tec 50 Diver

Number of Dives: 4

Required Equipment: Laptop, Tablet, or Smartphone (to run decompression software)

Note: Scuba tanks will be provided at no extra charge. Weight belts and weights will also be provided at no charge; however, a deposit of \$50 is required to cover possible loss.

Academic Topic & Skills	Clock Hours
Knowledge Development Session 1	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 2	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 3	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 4	1.5
Knowledge Development Session 5	1.5
Exam	1.5
Practical Application 1	4.0
Dive 1	6.0
Practical Application 2	2.0
Dive 2	4.0
Practical Application 3	2.0
Dive 3	4.0
Practical Application 4	2.0

Dive 4	4.0
Administration	1.0
Total Clock Hours	38.0

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Pura Vida Divers Program Costs

Fast Track

Program Cost: \$12,999

Deposit required: \$4,000

This complete package includes:

- PADI Open Water Diver
- PADI Advanced Open Water Diver
- PADI Emergency First Response/Care for Children
- PADI Rescue Diver
- PADI Oxygen Provider
- PADI Master Scuba Diver
- PADI Divemaster (PADI fee of \$156.00 included)
- PADI Enriched Air Diver
- All course tuitions, required books, training materials
- All PADI and DAN application fees
- Fast Track Dives
- Professional level equipment package

Dive Professional Career Level 1: Divemaster

Program Cost: \$3,999

Deposit required: \$2000

This complete package includes;

- PADI Emergency First Response/Care for Children
- PADI Rescue Diver
- DAN Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries Provider
- PADI Divemaster (PADI fee \$156.00 included)
- PADI Enriched Air Diver
- All course tuitions, required books, training materials

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Divemaster Course

Program Cost: \$1,799

Deposit required: \$900

This complete package includes;

- PADI Divemaster (PADI fee \$156.00 included)
- All course tuitions, PADI elearning fee and materials

Dive Professional Career Level 2: Open Water Scuba Instructor

Program Cost: \$4,999

Deposit required: \$2,000

This complete package includes;

- The PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC) (PADI application fee \$235.00 included)
- PADI Emergency First Response/Care for Children Instructor (PADI fee \$140.00 included)
- Career Placement Service
- PADI Exam (fee \$825.00 included)
- PADI IDC Crew Pak and EFRI Instructor Pak and PADI elearning registration

Master Scuba Diver Trainer Prep Program

Program Cost: \$1,725

Deposit required: \$900

This complete package includes:

- MSDT Prep (5 PADI Instructor ratings plus PADI fees per instructor rating \$88.00 each, included)

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Dive Professional Career Level 3: Resort Operations

Program Cost: \$7,499

Deposit required: \$2,500

This complete package includes:

- 3 DAN Instructor ratings (DAN fees per instructor rating \$25.00 included)
- 3 DAN Provider ratings
- MSDT Prep (5 PADI Instructor ratings plus PADI fees per instructor rating \$88.00 each, included)
- 6 additional PADI Instructor ratings (PADI fees per instructor rating \$88.00 each, included)
- 8 certifications
- 16 dives minimum to complete Instructor certifications
- Career Placement Service

Dive Professional Career Level 4: Tec Deep

Program Cost: \$8,999

Deposit required: \$4,000

This complete package includes:

- 3 PADI Tec Deep Courses (40, 45, 50)
- All course tuitions, PADI elearning registration
- Technical Level Equipment package
- 12 dives
- 3 certifications
- All PADI application fees
- Career Placement Service

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VETERANS ADDENDUM TO COURSE CATALOG

The Veteran Applicant (hereinafter referred to as "Student") agrees to abide by the terms listed in this Addendum to the School Catalog and by the rules and regulations of Pura Vida Divers (hereinafter referred to as "School"). This agreement consists of two pages in conjunction with the catalog and enrollment agreement. The Student understands this addendum agreement shall be a binding contract and no further modification or representation except as herein expressed by both parties will be recognized.

VETERANS BENEFITS POLICIES

Any covered individual is permitted to attend or participate in the course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides the school a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to education assistance under Chapters 31, 35, and 33.

The school will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, or other institutional facilities, or the requirement that the covered individual borrow additional funds, because of the inability of the individual to meet financial obligations to the school due to the delayed disbursement of payment provided under Chapters 31, 35, and 33.

VETERAN'S ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are expected to attend all classes. If there are extenuating circumstances the Instructor/Course Director must be contacted.

Early departures, class cuts, tardiness, etc. for any portion of a class period will be counted as one absence.

Students exceeding 20% total absences in an evaluation period will be terminated from their VA benefits for unsatisfactory attendance.

The student's attendance record will be retained in the veteran's file for USDVA and SAA audit purposes.

STANDARDS OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS FOR VA STUDENTS

Students receiving VA educational benefits must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of "C" (75%) each evaluation period (term, quarter, semester, evaluation period etc.).

A VA student whose CGPA falls below "C" (75%) at the end of any evaluation period (term, quarter, semester, evaluation period etc.) will be placed on academic probation for a maximum of two consecutive evaluation periods. If the VA student's CGPA is still below "C" (75%) at the end of the second consecutive term of probation, the student's VA educational benefits will be terminated.

A VA student terminated from VA educational benefits due to unsatisfactory progress may petition the school to be recertified after attaining a CGPA of C (75%)

VETERAN'S CREDIT FOR PREVIOUS EDUCATION OR TRAINING

Students must report all education and training. The school must evaluate and grant credit, if appropriate, with the training time shortened, the tuition reduced proportionately, and the VA and student notified.

VETERAN'S REFUND POLICY

The refund of the unused portion of tuition, fees, and other charges for veterans or eligible persons who fail to enter a course or withdraw or discontinue prior to completion will be made for all amounts paid which exceed the approximate pro rata portion of the total charges that the length of the completed portion of the course bears to the total length of the course. The proration will be determined on the ratio of the number of days or hours of instruction completed by the student to the total number of instructional days or hours in the course and must be pro rata to the very end.

VETERAN'S REFUND AGREEMENT

Should a veteran be terminated from the program for unsatisfactory performance, attendance policy violation, or violation of the enrollment agreement, Veteran will be financially responsible for any balance due the school once the VA has calculated the Pro rata refund due back to them.

Should a veteran withdraw from the program for unforeseen circumstances (family death, global pandemic, reenlistment in the armed forces, etc), VA will contact the veteran to provide proof of reason for withdrawal. Upon VA approval, no additional fees shall be due the school.

Pura Vida Divers will not assess a financial or access penalty for Ch 31 and Ch 33 beneficiaries, for up to 90 days, following certification of enrollment to VA for payment.