

PADI Assistant Instructor Course

Program Overview

The PADI Assistant Instructor (AI) Course is the first part of the PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC). This is designed to provide options: you may want to set your own professional development pace; or you may want to get a feel for the “Instructor life” without fully assuming the responsibilities of being an instructor; or you even may want to expand your personal confidence in SCUBA knowledge and skillset.

Prerequisites

- Minimum six months as a Certified Open Water Diver
- PADI Divemaster Certification (or equivalent)
- Be at least 18 years old
- Copies of all non-PADI/EFR certification cards
- Open Water Diver, Advanced Open Water Diver, Rescue Diver
- CPR and First Aid certification within the previous 24 months of IE date
- Submit a Diver Medical attesting to dive fitness signed by an authorized medical professional within the previous 12 months AND have had no medical condition changes.
- At least 60 logged dives, including experience in deep, night and navigation, to start the AI Course

Registering

To reserve your spot in our AI Course, you will make a non-refundable payment to cover materials and administrative fees at least four weeks before the start of the Course; the balance will be due on or before the first in-person session.

You will complete the [Assistant Instructor Course Learning Agreement](#). This will be signed when you make your deposit to reserve your spot in our AI Course. To enable your AI Course paperwork to be prepared, you will also complete the [AI Candidate Information Sheet](#).

The PADI fees will be paid directly to PADI upon successful completion of the Course.

Materials and Supplies

PADI IDC Crew-Pak includes: Backpack, Instructor Cue Cards for Open Water, Confined Water, Advanced Open Water, Rescue, Divemaster, OW Student Planning, Skill Development Preparations Slate (plus one extra), AND IDC Digital Crew-Pak including IDC eLearning; Exams for Open Water, Rescue, Divemaster; Specialty Instructor Outlines for Peak Performance Buoyancy, PADI AWARE, AWARE Coral Reef Conservation; Diving Knowledge Workbook (Digital); Guide to Teaching (Digital); and Open Water Course Prescriptive Lesson Guides.

Additional required supplies: Since you have completed the required certifications to reach this point, it is likely that you already own some, if not all, of these materials. Please note that you must own the current version (note: digital is continually updated). PADI student materials including: Open Water Diver Manual; AOW Diver Manual and Multi-Purpose Data Carrier Slate; Rescue Diver

Manual and Accident Management Slate; Divemaster Crew Pak ENTIRE CONTENTS; and PADI RDP Table and eRDPml with associated instruction booklets.

A full list of ALL required materials and equipment is on the [Assistant Instructor Course Learning Agreement](#).

We can order any of the PADI additional required supplies for you to have before the start of the Course. And, of course, we can help you select the appropriate SCUBA equipment. Call us at 503-588-3483.

For more information contact Bruce Weitzenhoffer, our award-winning PADI Course Director at bruce@salemscuba.com. He will answer all your questions and provide a summary of the steps to successfully complete your AI Course.