



Dive Rescue International Course Series

Hosted by Panama City Fire Department

PANAMA CITY, FL



LOCATION OF CLASS

PCFD Station 2
2003 Beck Ave
Panama City, FL 32401

CLASS STARTS AT 8 AM

Med Dive: August 3-4 (\$450)

Successful completion of the Med Dive program provides the student with skills required to improve their ability to recognize potentially life-threatening signs and symptoms associated with scuba diving injuries. Learning the cause, affects, signs, and symptoms of decompression illness and arterial gas embolism will be discussed, as well as in-field stabilization.

Critical Skills Diver: August 5-6 (\$550)

Critical Skills Diver training prepares Public Safety Divers (PSDs) to use repetition in training as a means to improve in-water confidence and competence. PSDs are introduced to the concepts of muscle memory, stress survival responses, and crisis rehearsal for self-rescue. Proper response to key underwater emergencies are examined and practiced. Student skill level evolves through repetition of familiar and unfamiliar challenges.

Critical Skills Diver Trainer: August 7-8 (\$650)

Successful completion of the Critical Skills Diver Trainer (CSDT) program provides the Instructor with required skills that improve their divers' ability to react to stress including survival responses, and prevention of panic. The instructor will learn to use repetition in training as a means to improve in-water competency, confidence, and comfort. This program introduces the process of managing stress and preventing panic in diving through muscle memory, stress survival responses, and crisis rehearsal drills.

Light Salvage & Recovery: August 9-11 (\$600)

The focus of the program will be conducting salvage operations as they apply to underwater crime scene investigations. The techniques taught in this program can be applied to the salvage or recovery of boats, automobiles, and aircraft. By teaching your dive members to complete safe salvage operations, you can offer an environmentally conscious service to your community. Students should be prepared to make several lifts using various techniques.

Dry Suit Repair: August 12 (\$350)

Students in this class will discuss how to maintain and repair minor tears, punctures, and holes in vulcanized rubber and trilaminate dry suits. There will be a demonstration of wrist ring, cuff seal, neck seal, and hood installation. Leak testing procedures will also be addressed. Glue and patch materials will be provided for training use during the class. Students are encouraged to bring their own dry suits to class for repair and testing.

PREREQUISITES

- Member of a Public Safety Agency
- At least 18 years old and 21 years of age for the Trainer course
- RSTC Medical Statement
- Current First Aid, EMT or Paramedic certification
- Current CPR certification

BRING TO CLASS

- US Coast Guard approved PFD with knife and whistle
- Adequate clothing and protection from the environment
- Pen and paper for note-taking and sketching.

Diving students must provide their own equipment: Wetsuit or dry suit, scuba regulator: recently serviced + environmentally protected with alternate air source (i.e.: octopus), timing device, depth + submersible pressure gauge, BC with oral/power inflator, 4 tanks with current Hydro + VIP, mask, snorkel, fins, weight belt + 2 cutting tools (knife, wire cutters, or trauma shears).



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TRAVEL

Check with Dive Rescue International to confirm class before making airline reservations.

CANCELLATION

Prior to 3 weeks: Full Refund
8-21 days prior: 50% Refund
0-7 days prior: No refund

AIRPORT

Northwest Florida Beaches Airport (ECP)
30 Minutes

SUGGESTED ACCOMMODATIONS

Hilton Garden Inn Panama City
1101 US 231
Panama City, FL 32405
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