

Burton's Dive Service Statement of Understanding and Student Learning Agreement for Scuba Diving Training

The diving course you are about to begin is an exciting and demanding challenge. It will allow you to eventually explore the "other three-fourths" of our planet that is underwater. To accept the call of underwater adventure, you must be aware of the risks involved in the sport and be willing to study and practice to achieve success.

This course will require heavy physical exertion. You will need to be able to equalize pressure in your ears and sinuses. Your breathing and circulatory systems must also be in good health. You will need to complete a medical history form and may be required to have it signed by a licensed physician granting you approval for diving. You will also need to read, discuss and sign a waiver, release and indemnity agreement, and this document. If you are a minor, (under the age of 18) you will need to have these forms signed by a parent or guardian. These forms are returned to the instructor for the course files.

Skin and scuba diving are equipment sports. Some equipment is personal and should be purchased. Other equipment can be rented or will be provided during the course. Do not purchase equipment until it has been discussed in class and you know how to evaluate your purchases.

The cost of this course is: \$85 (plus HST) for the eLearning portion which includes the NAUI Scuba Diver Education System plus \$245(plus HST) for the 6 pool training sessions, which includes the use of regulator set, buoyancy compensator and air cylinder for the pool training. Transportation is the responsibility of the student. eLearning must be completed before pool training begins.

Additional costs in order to complete the course will be \$95 (plus HST) for the 5 open water evaluation dives. This fee covers 2 days of on site instruction, any park admission fees, rental scuba equipment, as well as cylinder re-fills (from Burton's Dive Service only), certification card and registration with NAUI. The open water dives may also be completed by NAUI Referral or Universal Referral Program for a fee of \$10 (plus HST).

You will need to provide or purchase the following equipment: Mask, snorkel, fins (open heel), wet suit boots, weight belt and lead (4-6 lbs). It should cost approximately \$260 to \$450 plus applicable taxes, or may be rented for \$100 plus applicable taxes. Equipment discounts are available to our students.

Important information is included in every course session. Because diving is built from a few basics to more complex concepts, you must attend every session or your training will be incomplete. You will be required to schedule and make up any missed sessions. Bring paper and pencil to take notes in class. Your notes will help you study for the classroom evaluations. You will need to successfully complete a final examination and successfully demonstrate all required skills in open water in order to be certified.

The course meeting times are: _____

Open water training sessions are subject to the instructor's assessment of environmental conditions and will be announced during the course, but you can plan on making 5 open water dives that are tentatively scheduled for: _____ or by referral. Transportation for local dives is the responsibility of the student. Wetsuits and other equipment for the open water dives should be fitted and reserved as soon as possible. You will be required to schedule and make up any missed dives.

NAUI Worldwide has developed diver education systems to help you study and become familiar with diving terminology and understand the concepts and physical laws that apply to skin and scuba diving. Complete education systems have been packaged for each level of training. For example, the *NAUI Scuba Diver Education System* for the *NAUI Scuba Diver Course* contains a textbook, workbook, dive tables, log book, plus a DVD and audio CD presentation of the academic content. Everything you need to pre-study or review the academic material, in a format that is consistent with your dominant learning style, is contained in the system. Whether assigned in conjunction with scheduled classroom sessions or as a whole, the education systems approach to diver training will help you be a better diver. **You may purchase yours at:** Scuba Diver Education System is provided for the course and is yours to keep.

I understand and agree that by enrolling in this course I am incurring obligations for attendance, skill performance and financial responsibility. I understand and agree that mastering the subject matter and skills of skin and scuba diving are largely dependent on me, that my instructor is only able to assist and guide me as I proceed through the training process and that my accounts with the facility and/or the instructor must be settled before I will receive my NAUI certification card. I also understand and agree that learning to skin or scuba dive requires a commitment of time, money, cooperation and practice in order to be certified. I am willing to accept the risks and responsibilities for my own actions. I understand that the instructor must make the final judgment as to my competency to be a safe diver and be awarded certification.

Print Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian of Minor (print) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Witness Name (print) _____ Signature _____ Date _____