



## **PADI DIVEMASTER COURSES WITH SCUBA ZONE.**

The Divemaster course is recognised as the first step to becoming a Professional Diving Instructor as it is the first **professional** qualification within the PADI system. However, many progressive divers embark on this valuable and challenging course purely to attain recognition of their diving abilities and to enable them to act as official assistants to PADI instructors or to be team leaders in their own right. During the course you will expand your knowledge of diving theory with a series of knowledge development sessions and examinations, whilst polishing your diving skills to a professional teaching standard. Divemaster candidates are involved in the training of Open Water students and assist in the planning and supervising of other diving activities. This provides candidates with 'hands-on' experience in real life situations that will prove invaluable to those candidates choosing to embark on the Instructor Development Course or wishing to provide the highest quality Divemaster assistance.

The PADI Divemaster course consists of three modules: Knowledge Development, Water Skills and Stamina and Practical application. You'll probably progress through all the three modules simultaneously based upon the course schedule you and your Instructor agree on. The schedule will depend on your needs and the amount of time you have available for diving. There are certain course requirements and some portions of the course must be completed before others.

Twelve topics make up the Knowledge Development module. You'll cover these topics through independent study, projects and discussions. Your independent study will include reading the Divemaster manual and completing the Knowledge reviews, plus use of materials such as the PADI Divemaster video, the Encyclopaedia of Recreational Diving, the Diving Knowledge workbook, the Business of Diving book, PADI speciality videos, the Open Water Diver CD-Rom and other materials listed throughout the manual.

Your Instructor will also hold informal discussions throughout the course to provide more information, to check your progress and to give you an opportunity to discuss and ask questions about what you are learning.

The water skills and stamina module has two goals - to develop and evaluate your overall water skills and stamina and to improve on your existing scuba skills. You will also refresh your rescue skills.

The practical application module allows you to learn divemaster skills. You will begin by completing four required training exercises; a mapping project of a dive site, an underwater problem solving exercise, implementing a divemaster conducted program and managing a dive accident scenario.

After the required training exercises, you'll have a chance to develop and practise divemaster skills with student divers and actual divers, under instructor supervision.

**Please note:**

**1. Scuba Zone cannot be held responsible for any expenses incurred for extended course duration due to exam re-sits or adverse weather conditions.**

**2. A FULL Diving Medical is required before starting the practical part of the course.**

**3. It is advised that a candidate have a full set of personal diving equipment before commencing on a Divemaster course and certainly before embarking upon Instructor level courses**

**4. A minimum of 60 dives must be logged before certification can be issued. You may however start the course with only 20 logged dives.**

**5. The following materials will be required for the Divemaster course:**

**Encyclopaedia of Recreational Diving**

**Diving Knowledge Workbook**

**A WHEEL version of the Recreational Dive Planner**

The Divemaster course proves itself a challenging but enjoyable stepping-stone to Instructor status. Under the expert guidance of Gary O'Mahoney and Steve Axtell; Scuba Zone's Course Directors, we are proud of our **second to none PASS rate at the Instructor Examinations** for candidates who have completed their Divemaster course at **SCUBA ZONE**.

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**For any advice and to start your adventure**