

# **Scuba Diver Certification Explained**

Congratulations! You want to get your <u>"Scuba Diver"</u> Certification Card We are thrilled that you are considering joining the exciting and beautiful underwater world of scuba diving! We welcome you to our "school" and want to introduce you to what it takes to achieve your certification. At Streamline Diving we provide an entry-level certification course where you will master the fundamental knowledge and skills to safely dive in open water. All courses are taught by our professional staff of Instructors and Divermasters.

Earning a life-time Scuba Diver certification card is something you will be proud of and it will enable you to explore environments that many people will never experience.

# **Getting Started**

The first step to getting certified is to contact the professionals at Streamline Diving. You can call us at 888-788-DIVE (3483), email us at info@streamlinediving.com or stop by our shop.

#### **Prerequisites**

You must be age 10+ and in good physical condition. You'll be asked to sign a Recreational Scuba Training Council Medical Statement which asks about present and past medical conditions. If any of the questions have a 'YES' answer you will need to have a physician sign the medical statement. This statement needs to be complete prior to any in-water training.

# **Scuba Diver Training consists of two main sections**

- 1. Knowledge Development and In-water Skills Training Knowledge Development: This teaches you the basics and principles of diving. This is normally done as a self-learning/on-line class. If you'd prefer an instructor with classroom time, we can accommodate your request (additional fees may apply).
  - In-water Skills Training: This portion of the training teaches you all the skills you'll need to successfully earn your certification and is done with your instructor in a pool. Pool sessions are typically completed over one weekend (Saturday and Sunday). \$325
- 2. Open Water Training This is the portion of the course where you get to dive in open water. You'll be diving with your instructor and practice/demonstrate the skills you have learned. This training can be completed over one weekend (Saturday and Sunday). \$325

#### **Required Gear**

We loan you gear required for training (BCD, regulator, wetsuit, weights and tanks) and the cost is included in the price of the course except for gear that's considered to be personal. Personal items include mask, snorkel, fins and boots.

#### Costs

The cost for the first half of the class, Knowledge Development and In-water Skills Training, is \$325.00. The second half of the class, Open Water Training, is also \$325.00.

Some people take the first half of training locally and decide to do the Open Water Training during a vacation in warm water. If you decide to do the entire certification with us and sign-up for the entire course the total cost for all training is \$600.00 (This discount will show on the course addons in your cart when checking out online).

If you purchase personal items (mask, snorkel, fins and boots) from us, we offer a 15% discount to students after they've signed up for the Scuba Diving class. Scuba gear is available in a wide price range but just to give you some idea, the cost to purchase personal items (mask, snorkel, fins and boots) will be around \$300 with the 15% discount. If for any reason you'd rather not purchase personal items we will be glad to rent these items to you for an additional fee of \$25.00 for the 2 sections of the course (\$50 total). Of course, it you already have these items that's great you can ignore this section.

We conduct Open Water Training at Dutch Springs (<a href="https://www.dutchsprings.com/">https://www.dutchsprings.com/</a>) in Bethlehem Pa or Lake Allure in Quarryville Pa (<a href="https://divepeer.com/lake-allure/">https://divepeer.com/lake-allure/</a>). You are responsible for the entry fee to the parks which is around \$55.00 per day.

Again, if at any time you have any questions please feel free to contact us. We're always available to help