

# Let's Go Diving!!

## **DIVE UTAH**

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Welcome to **DIVE UTAH'S** Advanced Open Water Scuba Class! This orientation is very important in making sure you are aware of all the details of the class ahead of time. Please be sure to read all the sections of this immediately and call the shop if you have any questions.

### 1. ADMINSTRATIVE

The following items must be filled out by each person during the classroom portion of the class-

- Safe Diving Statement of Understanding
- Liability Release
- Nitrox Liability Release (if making a nitrox dive)
- Medical Statement - all questions are designed to be answered with a NO response— (a YES response doesn't necessarily preclude you from diving, it only means you need to get a doctor's OK before any in-water activities - We have a medical form for you. It is also located on our website).
- Anyone under the age of 18 must also have a parent or guardian sign all of the forms.

**We recommend you fill out the Medical Statement ASAP in case you need a doctor's OK.**

### 2. COURSE FEES

The fees that you paid for this course covers pool fees, administration costs and certification card upon completion. Not included are the costs of rental equipment, books/dive tables or any costs associated with Open Water Training such as gas, food, lodging, etc. Some Open Water sites have entry fees that are not included. (The Crater and Seabase) Dive Utah reserves the right to charge a make-up fee for no-shows and last minute cancellations of up to \$20 for class/pool sessions and up to \$40 for Open Water dives.

Some dives require special equipment that is not included in class or basic rental package. They include drysuit, nitrox, photography and DPV. These dives have a small surcharge.

Course fees may be paid by cash, check or credit card. ALL fees must be completely paid prior to attending the Open Water Training.

### 3. CLASS SCHEDULE

The class entails one session at the dive shop to do the class/pool portions of the class, then two days of open water training at one of our local dive sites.

The class/pool session can be scheduled any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening prior to the open water dives. To schedule Open Water dives, call the shop for a list of dates.

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### 4. COURSE STRUCTURE

#### A. Academics

- The Advanced class consists of 5 dives in 5 different specialty areas. It is important to learn the background to each area. You will need your own copy of the most current edition of the PADI "Adventures in Diving" manual. You will need to read the 5 sections of the manual that correspond to the 5 dives you will be doing and answer the Knowledge Reviews at the end of each section.
- Each student must have their own copy of the PADI RDP (dive tables).
- Knowledge Reviews will be collected when you come to the class/pool session.
- Please be sure to bring a pen or pencil and notebook or paper to class.

B. Confined Water training

- For most dives, there are no required skills to be completed in the pool however it is advisable to do a pool review of basic skills if it has been awhile since your last dive. This is done at the discretion of the instructor.
- Drysuit and DPV dives **DO** require a pool session.
- Confined Water training takes place in our warm, onsite pool. **Bring a swimsuit and a towel.**
- If you answered YES on any question on the Medical Statement, you'll need to obtain your doctors approval **BEFORE** any pool training.

C. Open Water Training

- This is the main part of the Advanced Open Water class.
- Open Water training consists of 5 dives made over a 2-day period.
- You will need to bring a **LOGBOOK** to record your dives.
- The Crater and Seabase are 2 sites we sometimes use. They have entry fees that are not included in the class price.

5. EQUIPMENT

- Equipment rental is available from **DIVE UTAH**. You must have your own **personal equipment** - mask, snorkel, fins, and boots.
- As a student of **DIVE UTAH**, we are pleased to offer you a discount of 10% on any equipment purchases made while you are a student in class with the exception of some packages. You can also try equipment in the pool before you buy it. See our professional staff for assistance in selecting the right equipment for you.
- Special equipment required for certain dives (drysuit, nitrox, photography, DPV) can be rented as well.

6. CERTIFICATION

- Upon successful completion of all parts of this course, you will be issued a PADI Advanced Open Water Diver certification. This prestigious credential allows you more diving opportunities in different environments and conditions. It is also a prerequisite for continuing on to Rescue Diver and Divemaster.

Thank you for choosing **DIVE UTAH**! It is our goal that diving becomes your passion, as it is ours. If you have any questions or there is anything we can do to assist you, please let us know.

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