



Guide For Enrolment of SAA Divers into a PADI Course

This guide can be used by PADI Instructors wishing to establish where a diver holding a current SAA certification could begin training within the PADI System of Diver Education. It represents the highest level course that each diver could enrol in. At the PADI Instructor's discretion, based upon their preassessment of the diver, they may decide to begin training at lower levels within the PADI System.

It should be noted that the final decision to allow the use of a certification from other recreational training organisations as prerequisites for further training within PADI, is at the discretion of the individual PADI Instructor.

Please note that all other course prerequisites must be met prior to the start of training, eg. in date first aid and CPR.

SAA		PADI
Club Diver	<i>may enrol in an</i>	Advanced Open Water Diver Programme
Club Diver (with at least 20 logged dives and Experience in Deep and Navigation)	<i>may enrol in a</i>	Rescue Diver Course
Dive Leader (with at least 20 logged dives)	<i>may enrol in a</i>	Rescue Diver Course
Dive Leader (with Diver Rescue)	<i>may enrol in a</i>	Divemaster Course
Dive Supervisor (with Diver Rescue)	<i>may enrol in an</i>	Assistant Instructor Course
Assistant and Club Instructors (with Diver Rescue)	<i>may enrol in an</i>	Instructor Development Course
Regional Instructor	<i>may enrol in an</i>	Instructor Orientation Course
National Instructor	<i>may enrol in an</i>	Instructor Orientation Course

A SAA Elementary Diver may be certified as a PADI Open Water Diver if they successfully complete the procedures for "Accepting Referral Students From Certification Organisations Other Than PADI" as outlined in the PADI Instructor Manual. This procedure includes the 4 PADI Open Water Dives from the Open Water Diver course, Scuba Review, Final Exam and Watermanship Assessment.