



# PADI Rescue Diver

**How would you react to a diving emergency? Can you assist your buddy until help arrives? Do you know how to prevent diving accidents before they happen?**

These are hard questions that every responsible diver should ask himself or herself. Despite the best Open Water training and most careful dive planning, accidents do occur. There is probably no worse feeling than being helpless in such a situation. Aquatic World offers more than your usual sport rescue program. We can prepare you to be ready to prevent accidents and emergencies and to minimize the damage that results should the unexpected occur. The PADI Rescue Certification prepares you to begin your progression toward the Divemaster rating, which is the first step towards becoming a professional PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor. Upon successful completion of the program, you will have experienced the use of various rescue equipment, completed drills on panicky and unconscious divers, performed searches for lost divers and practiced artificial respiration on the surface with an unconscious diver. You will have the confidence in using your equipment and your skills under different circumstances and under stress.

## **Course Format**

The course requires five classroom sessions, 2 pool sessions and one day of open water rescue scenarios.

## **Course Highlights**

Self-rescue and diver stress, Dive first aid, Emergency management and equipment, Swimming and non-swimming assists, Panicked diver response, Underwater problems, Missing diver procedures, Surfacing the unconscious diver, In water artificial respiration, Egress (exits), First aid procedures for pressure related accidents, Dive accident scenarios

## **Prerequisites**

PADI Advanced Open Water, Medic First or equivalents. Minimum age to participate is 12.

## **Required Equipment and Materials**

Students are responsible for providing a complete SCUBA equipment package including mask, fins, snorkel, boots, appropriate exposure protection, (students wishing to use dry suits must show proof of dry suit certification or they may elect to use Aquatic World's dry suit option for the course), hood, mitts or gloves, BCD with LPI, regulator with octopus or alternate air source (not a "Spare air"), SPG, depth gauge, timer or watch, compass, weight system, knife, whistle, RDP and log book. Note: some of the very basic equipment items may be available for rental; however items such as masks, fins, snorkels, timers, knives, and whistles must be purchased.

**Cost: \$300** (\$400 with EFR- books extra)

