

DIVE HQ

**WESTHAVEN
AUCKLAND**



**DIPLOMA IN
PROFESSIONAL
SCUBA INSTRUCTION**

COMPARING COURSES



THE BEST WAY
TO **PREDICT** THE FUTURE
IS TO **CREATE** IT.

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

	DIPLOMA	FOUNDATION	LEADERSHIP	INSTRUCTION
Duration: Full- time	40 Weeks	12 Weeks	12 Weeks	16 Weeks
Duration: Part- time	n/a	Min 16 weeks	Min 16 Weeks	Please Enquire
Prerequisite Diving Qualification	None	None	Foundation or Equivalent	Leadership or Equivalent
Minimum Age	17	16	18	18
Logged dives during course	100+	40	20	40+
Student Loans available*	✓	✓	✓	✓
PADI Open Water Diver	✓	✓	✗	✗
PADI Advanced Diver	✓	✓	✗	✗
PADI First Aid	✓	✓	✗	✗
PADI Rescue Diver	✓	✓	✗	✗
PADI Divemaster	✓	✗	✓	✗
PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor	✓	✗	✗	✓
PADI Instructor with 5 Specialties	✓	✗	✗	✓



“PADI is the world’s leading scuba diver training organization. With more than 6400 PADI Dive Centers and Resorts you’ll be qualified to work practically anywhere in the world”



LIVING THE DREAM

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CAREER PATHWAYS

- Dive Instructor
- Underwater Photographer/ Videographer
- Dive Shop Owner
- Boat/Live-aboard Operator
- Dive Shop Retail Manager
- Commercial Diver



FURTHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

- Skippers
- Scientific Diving
- Underwater Archaeology
- Commercial Diver Training



INDUSTRY PATHWAYS

- Recreational Scuba Industry
- Tertiary Education Sector
- Private Super Yacht Industry
- Cruise Ship Industry
- Dive Resort and Travel Industry
- The Film and Television Industry
- Oil and Gas Industry





OVERVIEW

Our full-time one year long course is a mix of practical experience and classroom days, which takes you through all PADI Certifications required to become a Professional PADI Openwater and Specialty Instructor.

Dive HQ Westhaven offer expert tutoring. We will be with you at every stage of your training, from learning to SCUBA dive to becoming an experienced diver. At the end of the course you will have completed over 100 dives including wreck dives, deep dives, navigation and night diving.

The course is tough but extremely rewarding and all your hard work will pay off once you're able to teach PADI programs around the world. Plus, you'll build lasting bonds with your fellow classmates while boosting your confidence and refining your skills.

Included in Course:

- ▲ Professional tuition with our experienced tutors
- ▲ Retail training within our store
- ▲ Technical know-how and maintenance
- ▲ PADI certifications from beginner to Specialty Instructor
- ▲ All PADI training manuals
- ▲ Tank hire and refills for ANY DIVE you do
- ▲ Transport to and from dive sites and course trips
- ▲ All accommodation for course trips
- ▲ Work experience once you achieve PADI Divemaster status
- ▲ Lease to own option on gear
- ▲ Student card



WHY STUDY AT DIVE HQ WESTHAVEN?

Dive HQ Westhaven isn't just a great place to get your Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction. We will train you to the highest level and get you out diving in some of the best dive sites in NZ.



EXPERT TUITION

Students will receive comprehensive training from experienced instructors with proven results.



PROFESSIONAL

Stand out from the rest. Be a professional and ready to start work as soon as you graduate. Be a MFA (Medic first Aid) first aid instructor.



ATTITUDE

We love what we do and we want you to have the best learning experience. Meet like-minded people, have fun & become a respected scuba professional.



PADI GLOBAL QUALIFICATIONS

Our graduates are employed all around the world and in New Zealand.



NZQA APPROVED COURSES

Student loans and living allowances available.



DIVE SITES

Dive some of the best dive sites in NZ. We dive HMNZ Canterbury, HMNZ Waikato, Rainbow Warrior and more. Accommodation and transport included.



LOCATION

Westhaven is the marine centre of Auckland. Great transport links, nearby parking options & right next to the waterfront development and all it has to offer.



GEAR

Dive HQ Westhaven offers some of the best quality scuba gear & "Lease to own" packages.





DISCOVER, EXPERIENCE, LEARN



BECOME EXPERIENCED IN:

- Leadership Training
- Public Speaking
- Team Building
- Rescue Diving
- Boat Diving
- Underwater Navigation
- Deep Diving
- Search and Recovery
- Night Diving
- Wreck Diving
- Fresh Water diving
- Equipment maintaining



CONTINUE YOUR PADI DIVING EDUCATION



WHERE DO YOU WANNA GO?

Tom Cotton (Stunt Performer on Star Wars - Rogue One)
"As a stunt performer, training with Dive HQ Westhaven has given me new skills and competencies within the aquatic world. These skills will directly increase my career opportunities within the film industry. Not only did I learn from experienced, knowledgeable instructors, I had a great time all the way through the course."

Siva Faalavaau (PADI Specialty SCUBA Instructor NZ)
I completed my Diploma with Dive HQ Westhaven while I was waiting for my Army call up. I now have industry ready skills to fall back on until I go in, and a part time income stream for the future.

Sam Jupe (Account Manager, SSI/MARES New Zealand & Pacific)
"Taking the plunge to become a dive professional was a great move! Completing the diploma course gave me a strong entry in to the dive industry and has opened the door to many amazing opportunities both in NZ and around the world. A move into this industry is one you will not regret!"

Casey (PADI Dive Instructor)
I completed a STAR course whilst I was at High School and knew diving was for me. After finishing school I enrolled in the Diploma program, loved it, graduated and started work in the industry.

Jen Clent (PADI REGIONAL MANAGER, NZ and FIJI)
"I completed my Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction course in 2003. The course included everything I needed to walk directly from graduation into my dream job as a PADI Dive Instructor at a dive resort on Mexico's Caribbean Coast! Diving every day, seeing amazing underwater scenery, marine life and Mexico's famous Cenote's this is still one of my favorite memories. I highly recommend anyone thinking of a career in the dive industry to complete the Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction course, as it provides an incredible base of knowledge and skill to kick-start an amazing life, where the ocean really does become your office!"

Mitchel Kent (Builder, PADI SCUBA instructor)
"I am a builder and chose to study part time. The course at Dive HQ Westhaven kept me on track to achieve my goal of becoming an instructor in less than two years. I now instruct part time and plan on heading overseas to instruct soon."

Hannah Scott (PADI Dive Instructor)
I graduated the national certificate program which has given me an amazing opportunity to pursue my love of diving and instructing at Dive HQ Westhaven. The skills I gained as part of the program have meant that I could jump straight into the industry and has given me amazing satisfaction in seeing an open water student experience their first breath underwater to mastering the buoyancy control at the end of the course.

CURRICULUM

PADI Open Water Diver

You will learn how to use your dive equipment and experience the necessary skills to dive safely. After certification you will be able to dive to 18 metres anywhere in the world, independent of an instructor.

PADI Advanced Open Water Diver

Develop your capabilities as you advance your diving. Complete at least 5 adventure dives and gain experience and confidence in more intrepid diving such as deep, boat, night, search and recovery, underwater naturalist and wreck. Once completed you will be certified to dive to a maximum depth of 30m.

EFR First Aid

Learn basic first aid skills for life threatening circumstances and typical first aid situations.

PADI Rescue Diver

Scuba divers often describe the PADI Rescue Diver course as the most challenging, yet most rewarding course they've ever taken. During rescue scenarios, you put into practice your knowledge and skills. You will be competent if in the unlikely event there is an underwater emergency.

PADI Divemaster

You will learn to take responsibility for divers around you, cultivate your perception of the underwater environment and become more experienced with your dive equipment and how it works. You are now on your way to becoming PADI Pro.

Padi Assistant Instructor

Now learn how to be a PADI professional and master their system of diver education. You can also act as an instructional assistant and assume limited teaching roles.

PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor

After becoming an Open Water Scuba Instructor you will be able to teach the entire range of PADI programmes from Discover Scuba Diving up to Divemaster. You can now obtain work in more than 180 countries and territories worldwide.

PADI Instructor Examination

A PADI Course director evaluates you and once you pass your IE (Instructor Exam) to earn a full PADI Instructor rating. This is a great accomplishment

PADI specialty Instructor

You'll learn new techniques to add to the experience you already have in a specialty area and have fun, fine-tuning your skills and teaching methods. Plus, you'll get great ideas for marketing your specialty diver courses. Select from over 25 standard PADI specialty diver courses available.

LEASE TO OWN OPTIONS

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REQUIRED

- ▲ Wetsuit
- ▲ Mask, fins, snorkel
- ▲ Gloves & boots
- ▲ Dive knife
- ▲ Torch x 2
- ▲ Pocket mask
- ▲ Slate & pencil
- ▲ Safety sausage
- ▲ Whistle
- ▲ Dive watch

RECOMMENDED

- ▲ BCD
- ▲ Regulator
- ▲ Dive computer
- ▲ Weight belt & weights





Do I need to know how to SCUBA dive?

No. We will teach you right from the beginning, starting with basic snorkeling, and scuba skills.

What are the hours?

Full time courses either Mon to Thurs or Tues to Thurs (9am-5pm) each week with some days finishing earlier and some evening sessions to complete night diver training. For part-time we schedule around your needs.

How strong a swimmer do I need to be?

Every student must be able to swim 200m or snorkel 300m and float/tread water for 10mins at the start of the course. Professional level divers will need to be relatively strong swimmers.

What equipment must I have?

Diploma students are required to own their own full snorkeling package; this must include a suitable wet suit/dry suit, mask/snorkel/fins, weights and weight belt, gloves/boots, torches, knife etc. We highly recommend you purchase your own dive gear, and Dive HQ Westhaven offer great package deals and 'lease to own' options.

What are the medical criteria?

All divers in New Zealand require having an RSTC Medical questionnaire completed and signed off by a Doctor. Professional divers must obtain an OSH medical if working in New Zealand.

If I have asthma can I dive?

This depends and can only be answered by a qualified Doctor.

Where do you dive?

Here in Auckland we are lucky enough to be surrounded by marine reserves all along the Haruaki gulf. We dive mostly around Leigh; sites include Jones Bay, Goat Island, Ti Point, Mathersons Bay, this is not including all the extra trips we do.

What field trips does Dive HQ Westhaven do?

We dive all over the North Island all through the duration of the course. Accommodation and transport provided.

Is it easy to get a job as a dive instructor?

Our graduates are sought after and many have secured positions before they finish the end of the Diploma. Dive HQ Westhaven prides itself in sending out Professional job ready candidates into the Industry.

Why do the diploma not just the PADI Certifications?

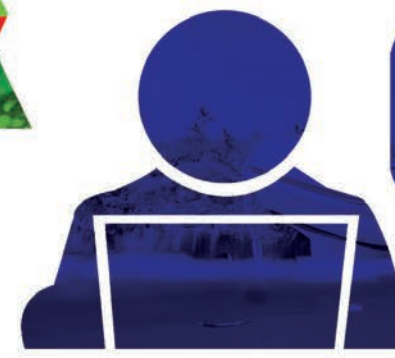
As well as your PADI certifications you achieve other industry required skills. You not only complete the minimum dives for each PADI certification but often several more dives and class sessions based around the unit assessments for particular dive areas.

STUDY WITH DIVE HQ WESTHAVEN



- ▲ A PADI 5 star rated instructor development centre
- ▲ We teach 100's of people to dive each year. Be part of a busy working dive centre.
- ▲ We are registered Adventure Activity Operator
- ▲ Excellent location with easy options for parking and public transport.
- ▲ Marine location near waterfront and new Wynyard Quarter
- ▲ We offer support finding employment
- ▲ Great Lease to Own packages
- ▲ We take you to the best dive sites
- ▲ We have our own boat-BOB
- ▲ We Offer options for work experience





HOW TO ENROL


 **09-307-3590**

Give us a call and book a time to meet with us. We can show you around our facility, talk you through the course and answer any questions you may have.

- WE ALSO OFFER:**
- ▲ Foundation
 - ▲ Leadership
 - ▲ Summer School
 - ▲ STAR & Gateway programs for schools



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GO CONFIDENTLY IN THE DIRECTION
OF YOUR DREAMS. **LIVE THE LIFE**
YOU HAVE IMAGINED.
- HENRY DAVID THOREAU
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Graduate as a PADI specialty instructor ready to work in over 180 countries worldwide.
Meet amazing people, train to be confident leader and develop personally with the
skills to take your future career forward to the next level.**

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