


Maidstone
Scuba School

 01622 754280



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Important
Information

PADI Divemaster Course Ref.:- _____ **Name:-** _____
(You must bring all course manuals to each day of your course.)

Divemaster Trainees – Course Outline

Thank you for booking your PADI Divemaster Course with Maidstone Scuba School Ltd.

Course Name	PADI Divemaster Course
Prerequisites	Minimum age 18 years – Must complete home study & knowledge reviews prior to attending - Medical declaration must be completed before any in water training. HSE or Doctors medical required prior to certification - Certification in First Aid and CPR required.
Course Duration and timing	From 2 months to 6 months (internship). Theory Sessions normally take place on Thursday evenings at 6.30pm. Pool sessions take place normally on alternate weekends between 3pm to 9pm. Open water sessions takes place on various weekends at a variety of locations.
Equipment	Divemaster trainees must own their own equipment or can hire equipment from Maidstone Scuba School.
Other Costs	Course materials, books, manuals and slates, entry/parking fees to dive sites and boat fees (if applicable).
Other Requirements	2 passport sized photos will be required before certification.
Location	Maidstone Leisure Centre, Wraysbury, NDC, Stoney Cove, Guildeburgh

*Maidstone Scuba School do everything a dive shop does, all equipment, travel, Dive Club, equipment hire and servicing) but without the usual expense! As we do not operate a shop premises with all the associated overheads, we pass on our savings to YOU! We are a full PADI 5 Star IDC Centre and have trained many of the professionals you will find at other dive shops/operators in the area. Higher quality, lower costs - **WHY PAY MORE?***

Your Divemaster Course is due to commence at Maidstone on _____ (see your eReceipt for start date). On your first session we will be carrying out an orientation of how your Divemaster course will be structured and will be working to complete 3 of your exams! To this end, please read the following sections in your Divemaster Manual:-

- Divemaster Conducted Programmes
- Supervising Certified Divers
- Assisting Student Divers in Training

If you do not have a Divemaster Manual or any of the required course materials please order them today from Maidstone Scuba on 01622 754280 or order online at www.maidstonescuba.com

Please ensure that you complete the Knowledge Reviews on the above 3 sections and bring these with you when you attend.

During your Course you will be required to complete 2 assignments (an Emergency Assistance Plan and a Dive Site Mapping Project) – details will be provided on the first day of your course.

As a trainee Divemaster you will be expected to own your own equipment. The typical minimum equipment required is:-

- 5mm Full Semi Dry Suit & Hood
- 3mm Shorty Suit
- BCD
- Regulator Set
- Weight belt and weights

- Mask, Fins, Snorkel & Boots
- Main Torch, Back up Torch & Strobe
- Dive Computer
- Dive Watch
- A5 State
- Dive Knife

Maidstone Scuba can supply any equipment at competitive prices.

The following information is intended to give you a general outline as to the structure and operation of your Course.

REQUIRED MATERIALS All course materials are available from Maidstone Scuba School

Divemaster Manual and slate (pack)
 Diving Knowledge Workbook
 RDP Table
 RDP Wheel
 Encyclopaedia of Recreational Diving

The following materials will also be required when moving on to the Assistant Instructor Course:-

PADI Instructor Manual
 Law and the Diving Professional
 Business of Diving
 Best of the Undersea Journal
 Confined Water Cue Cards
 Open Water Cue Cards
 Confined Water Prep Slate
 Open Water Prep Slate

GENERAL

The Divemaster Course is a performance based programme, structured around 3 primary areas:-

Knowledge Development with independent home study
 Water Skills and Stamina Tests
 Practical Application (including completing PADI's 20 basic skills to demonstration standard (level 3 or greater))

Knowledge Development covers 12 topics:-

- 1 The role and characteristics of a Divemaster
- 2 Supervising diving activities for certified divers
- 3 Assisting with student divers in training
- 4 Dive theory
- 5 Physics
- 6 Physiology
- 7 Equipment
- 8 Decompression theory and dive tables
- 9 Divemaster programmes
- 10 Risk Management
- 11 Business of Diving
- 12 Furthering your dive career

During your Course you will sit a total of 8 examinations where you will be required to achieve a minimum 75% pass mark (IMPORTANT:- The first 3 exams must be completed prior to contact with students and subject to having completed the Knowledge Reviews covering these areas, these exams will be sat on TBA)

- 1 Divemaster programmes
- 2 Supervising Certified Divers
- 3 Assisting Student Dives in Training
- 4 Physics
- 5 Physiology
- 6 Equipment
- 7 Decompression theory and dive tables
- 8 Skills and the Environment

Stamina Tests:-

You will be required to complete the following stamina tests and achieve a combined score of not less than 12 for the 4 tests.

400 metre swim test –(under 6 minutes-5 points. 6-8 min-4 points. 8-10 min-3. 10-12-2 points. Over 12 mins-1 point. Stopped-0 points.

15 minutes tread water – (in the last 2 minutes hands to be raised out of water) – (Satisfactory-5 points. Stayed afloat but hands not out of water-3 points. Used side of pool for support not more than twice-1 point. Used side of pool more than twice-0 points.)

800 metre snorkel swim – (under 14 minutes-5 points. 14-16 mins, 30 secs-4 points. 16 mins, 30 secs – 18 mins,30 secs-3 points. 18 mins,30 secs-21 mins-2 points. More than 21 mins-1 point. Incompleted-0 points.)

100 metre diver tow – (Under 2 mins, 10 secs-5 points. 2 mins, 10 secs-3 mins,15 secs-4 points. 3 mins,15 secs-4 mins, 20 secs-3 points. 4 mins,20 secs-5 mins, 30 secs-2 points. More than 5 mins,30 secs-1 point. Incomplete-0 points.)

Some stages of your course will require you to visit dive sites that are around a two hour drive from Maidstone. If you require B&B (not included in course fee) please contact the following directly:-

For accommodation at NDC:-

The Huntsman Hotel - Tel: 01291 641521
Shirenewton
Chepstow
Monmouthshire
South Wales
NP16 6BU

Other Hotels/B&B's:- Parkfield: 01291 621860, Chepstow Hotel: 01291 626261, Parsons Grove: 01291 641382

For accommodation at Guildenburgh:-

Travel Lodge - Tel:- 0870 0850950 (Bookings) or 0870 191 1597 (Direct Number) for the Eye Green Travel Lodge.
Crowlands Road, Eye Green
Peterborough
PE6 7SZ

Other B&B's:- Cobwebs: 01733 350960, Old Crown: 01733 203652, Whitmore House: 01733 203652, Conifers: 01733 203256, The Bee : 01733 206975, Holly Gap: 01945 463119

For accommodation at Stoney Cove:-

Badgers Mount - Tel:- 01455 848161

6 Station Rd
Elmesthorpe
Leics.
LE9 7SG

Other B&B:- Elmlee: 01455 239254, The Mill on Soar: 01455 282419, Longshoot: 02476 329711

To enter The NDC, Guildenburgh or Stoney Cove you will need to complete a registration form at the gate, and pay an entry fee. This is the same as when you go and dive at these dive locations yourself. The current registration and entry fees range from £7.00 to around £10 per day, which includes parking. All equipment is provided throughout your Course with M.S.S. All courses are sold subject to our Terms & Conditions of Business.

Courses at The NDC usually start at 9.30 a.m. (Sat.) and take place at:-

The National Diving & Activity Centre
Tidenham
Chepstow
Gloucestershire
NP16 7LH

Courses at Guildenburgh usually start at 9.30 a.m (Sat.) and take place at:-

Guildenburgh Water
Eastrea Road
Whittlesey
Peterborough
PE7 2AR

Courses at Stoney Cove usually start at 9.30 a.m (Sat.) and take place at:-

Stoney Cove
Sapcote Road
Stoney Stanton
Leicestershire
LE9 4DW

NOTE:- The Advanced Course runs over two full days (plus additional Friday night, if taking optional *Night Dive) . All venues are around a two hour drive from Maidstone. If you require B&B (not included in course fee) please contact the following directly:-

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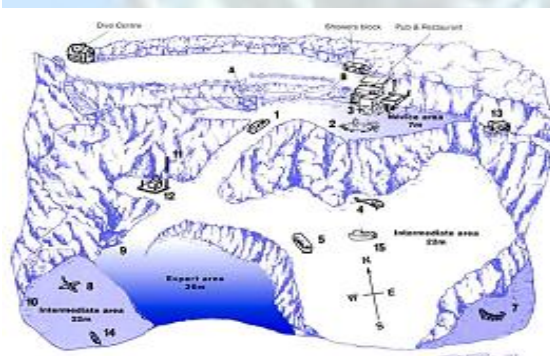
DIRECTIONS to The NDC (Approx 125 miles - 200 km from Maidstone):-

Take the M4 West and continue past Junction 20 - Turn onto the M48 towards Chepstow and Services - Cross the Severn and Wye Bridges and turn off at Junction 2 - Take the second exit A466 towards Chepstow and Tintern - Turn right onto the A48 at the next roundabout and continue into Chepstow. Continue through Chepstow on the A48 towards Gloucester, the National Diving & Activity Centre is 1.2 miles outside Chepstow on the left hand side.

DIRECTIONS to Guildenburgh (Approx 121.2 miles - 195.1 km from Maidstone):-

M11 for 41.4 miles (43.4 miles - 69.8 km). Continue straight ahead onto A14 for 16.9 miles (84.8 miles - 136.4 km). Exit to the left onto Slip Road for 0.3 miles (101.7 miles - 163.6 km). At the roundabout, take the third exit onto B1043 for 0.1 miles (102 miles - 164.1 km). At the roundabout, take the first exit onto B1043 for 3.7 miles (102.1 miles - 164.2 km). At the roundabout, take the second exit onto B1043 for 0.8 miles (105.8 miles - 170.2 km). At the roundabout, take the second exit onto B1043 Old North Road for 0.5 miles (106.5 miles - 171.4 km). At the roundabout, take the second exit onto B1043 Old North Road for 0.4 miles 107 miles (172.1 km). At the roundabout, take the first exit onto B1043 for 1.6 miles (107.4 miles - 172.8 km). Turn right for 0.1 miles 109 miles (175.4 km). Turn right onto B660 Glatton Ways for 5.9 miles (109.1 miles - 175.6 km). Turn left onto B1040 Herne Road for 5.9 miles (115.1 miles - 185.2 km). At the roundabout, take the third exit onto A605 Syers Lane for 0.3 miles (120.9 miles -194.6 km). At the roundabout, take the second exit onto A605 Eastrea Road for 1.2 miles (121.2 miles - 195.1 km). Arrive at Guildenburgh.

DIRECTIONS to Stoney Cove (Approx 142.1 miles - 228.7 km from Maidstone):-



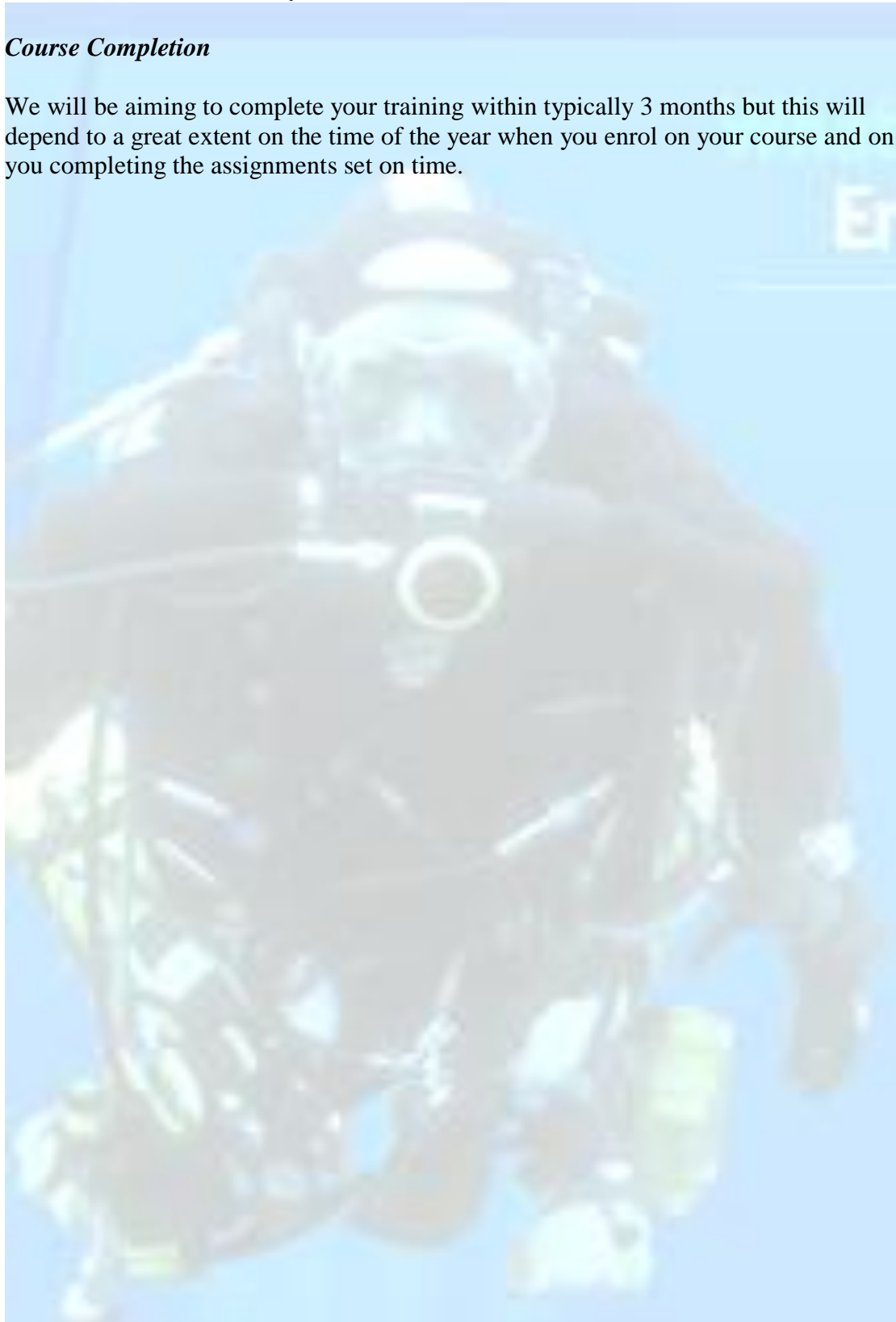
Continue on M1 for 57.7 miles (67.5 miles - 108.6 km) Exit at J18 for 0.2 miles. At the roundabout, take the first exit onto A428 for 0.3 miles. At the roundabout, take the first exit onto A5 for 0.6 miles. At the roundabout, take the third exit onto A5 for 5 miles. At the roundabout, take the second exit onto A5 for 2.3 miles. At the roundabout, take the second exit onto A5 for 4.7 miles.

Turn right onto B4114 for 3 miles (138.3 miles - 222.6 km). Turn left onto Sharnford

Road for 0.6 miles (141.3 miles). Turn left onto B4669 Leicester Road for 0.2 miles (141.9 miles - 228.4 km). Turn left onto Dovecote Close for 0 miles (142.1 miles - 228.7 km). Arrive at Stoney Cove

Course Completion

We will be aiming to complete your training within typically 3 months but this will depend to a great extent on the time of the year when you enrol on your course and on you completing the assignments set on time.



Learning Agreement

This form must be completed and returned to Maidstone Scuba School Ltd prior to commencement of your course.

Welcome to your PADI Divemaster Course). In an effort to offer you and your fellow students the best programme possible, please review the following and sign at the bottom. This learning agreement between you the student, and us, Maidstone Scuba School Ltd reviews our mutual course responsibilities. Please sign this form to confirm your agreement.

Student Responsibilities

The theory segments of your PADI Divemaster Course are based on home study and sessions with a PADI Instructor. Instructor sessions are designed to answer questions, and review key points, NOT AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR INDEPENDENT HOME STUDY. By signing below, you are agreeing to:-

- Review course enrolment paperwork and study your PADI Divemaster Course materials.
- Review and complete **(1) PADI Statement of Understanding, (2) PADI Assumption of Risk, (3) PADI Medical Statement, (4) learning agreement**, in good time for your course.
- Have medical form signed by a physician (if necessary) in time for your course.
- Be on time for all course dates
- Be prepared for theory sessions by reading / viewing the required sections in your PADI course materials.
- Complete the knowledge reviews in your PADI Divemaster Manual.
- Arrive at dive sites in good time, allowing time to get changed.
- Follow all course procedures as outlined by our instructors (where to arrive, where to drop equipment etc.) and be attentive during your training sessions
- Ask questions about anything that is not understood.

Maidstone Scuba School Ltd Responsibilities

If the student completes all course work assigned, arrives for training promptly, and otherwise follows directions for learning given by the instructor, Maidstone Scuba School Ltd accepts responsibility for learning challenges. Course objectives must be met before the student is certified.

Your instructor and staff agree to:

- Be ready to start the class as scheduled.
- Provide a positive and fun learning environment in which to master course objectives.
- Answer the student's questions to the best of their ability.
- Be patient and assist the student through learning challenges.

It is further agreed that I the undersigned am responsible for any equipment loaned to me throughout the duration of my course, that I have received a copy of this agreement and acknowledge that my course is provided in accordance with Maidstone Scuba Schools Terms and Conditions of Business a copy of which can be provided on request or viewed on www.maidstonescuba.com.

All outstanding balances must be paid to Maidstone Scuba School Ltd prior to receiving certification card.

Student Signature: _____ Print: _____

Date: _____

On behalf of Maidstone Scuba School Ltd - Signature: _____

Print: _____ Date: _____

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