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OPEN WATER SCUBA COURSE ITINERARY

Las Cruces

Dive Quest Scuba has a completely revised Open Water Course for 2009. Please review this schedule and visit with us about *any conflicts* you may have **before** you start your sessions. It is going to be **very busy** and you **do not** have time for issues or interruptions. There is the *exception* for a family emergency, otherwise you will be behind and will need to move to the next months' session.

Please check messages and make your cell phone calls during your breaks.

All modules and knowledge reviews must be completed before the weekend sessions. There is too much happening and you will not be able to keep up. If your book work is not completed upon arrival to the first class on Saturday you will be transferred to the next months sessions.

You have a week or longer to prepare. No exceptions, no excuses.

Monday 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Registration/Orientation (at our Home Office)

You will be issued (if you do not already have one), an Open Water Crew Pak so all required paperwork can be completed.

If you need a Medical Physical Statement Waiver, it must be completed, signed by your physician and in your file **BEFORE** your pool session.

We will review the Course schedule (this form), requirements i.e. snorkel gear, mouthpiece kit, and assignments. Read **ALL** Modules/Knowledge Reviews 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5. You must complete **ALL** Modules/Knowledge Reviews 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 for Saturday and Sundays' weekend class sessions. Please finalize any balance or payment due.

Samples of snorkel gear will be shown so diver candidate may pick out size, style and color for Saturdays confined water session. Equipment (BCD/ reg./ wetsuit) sizes will be determined and placed on the equipment roster sheet.

Certification weekend for Balmorhea will be discussed. The map and phone number list will be issued so you can make necessary travel and lodging arrangements. This is **YOUR** responsibility.

Pool sessions are conducted in Las Cruces local pools when available, otherwise we travel to Alamogordo. Diver candidate may travel in DQS provided transportation or your own vehicle.

Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Knowledge Reviews 1 & 2, Quizzes 1 & 2.

Classroom session on Modules 1 & 2, Knowledge reviews 1& 2, Test quizzes 1 & 2. Hand in knowledge reviews for file. Sign log books.

You need to locate assigned scuba gear, weight bag, and a tank for an equipment assembly session. This will assist in speeding up gear assembly after lunch at the pool session.

Saturday 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm. Lunch Break

Saturday 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Confined Pool 1 & 2 (maybe 3) Session

You need to locate assigned scuba equipment and wait for group assembly instructions. Then prepare your snorkel equipment and place at pool edge.

You need to do the required 200 yard/meter swim (no time limit), and 10 minute float. We will do a short snorkel session then gear up for your confined pool work on scuba gear. Please be as mentally pre-paired for this as possible. This afternoon is busy but not hard. You are allowed short breaks for the restroom, (do not pee in DQS wetsuits), and allow you to warm up when necessary.

Please help the Instructor load the gear this afternoon. We'll sign log books in the morning in class.

Sunday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Knowledge Review 3 & 4 (1st half), Quizzes 3 & 4 (first half).

Classroom session on Modules 3 and 4. Knowledge reviews 3 and the first half of four. Quiz 3 and the first half of 4. (Dive Tables are the second half on four and take a bit of time in the session after lunch.) We will spend a bit of time on diver etiquette, dive travel locations and options, equipment (rental vs. ownership).

You need to locate assigned scuba equipment for gear assembly session. Please wait for group assembly instructions.

Sunday 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm. Lunch Break

Sunday 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Knowledge Review 4 (second half) & 5, Quizzes 4 (second half), no quiz on 5. Final Exam (takes up to one hour.)

Classroom session on Module 4 (second half) & 5. Quiz on 4 (second half) no quiz on 5. FINAL EXAM you have up to one hour to complete the exam. It's only 50 questions. You need to locate scuba equipment and wait for instructions on final group gear assembly.

Have your Instructor sign log books.

Photos will be taken for your certification card.

Final details for Balmorhea, Texas and certification next weekend.

If you want to leave Friday afternoon to Balmorhea Texas please feel free to do so. If you choose to leave early Saturday morning it's up to you to be on time at 8:00 am at Balmorhea 235 miles from Las Cruces. Consider a fuel and breakfast stop in Van Horn around the 140 mile marker to avoid the considerably higher fuel price at the town of Balmorhea.

Our Staff will be leaving about 6pm Friday afternoon and should arrive at Balmorhea about 10:30 pm to 11:00 pm. Sometimes we have room for an extra passenger or two, check with us if you need a ride. (A small fee will be necessary for fuel.)

Saturday 9:00 am. Start the day

Please be at Balmorhea Texas State Park by 8:00 am (New Mexico time) Saturday. Balmorhea Texas is in the Central time zone, it will be 9:00 am their time.

8:00 am. Check in at the Park Office. You'll pay your \$5.00? per day Diver fee, \$5.00 per day Park Pass fee and sign Park diver log.

8:30 am. We start unloading equipment and take it in to the dive area. Each person is responsible for taking in your dive gear and wetsuit. We'd appreciate help getting the weight, tanks and Instructor items in. Bring snacks and beverages you want for the breaks.

9:30 am to 12: noon. Open Water Training Dives 1 & 2.

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm. Lunch break. Please bring your lunch to have at the park. There is not time to drive four miles to town to the restaurant.

1:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Confined pool sessions 3 & 4. (We will finish any confined pool work not completed from last weekend.)

4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Please rinse your equipment and stow it in the trailer. Have Instructor sign your log book, shower and we're off to town to have an early dinner. You are then free for the afternoon to enjoy the area and do your thing.

Sunday 7am. Start the day

Breakfast in town or the truck stop then off to the park.

8:00 am to 8:30 am. Unload gear etc. just like yesterday. You're still responsible for your gear.

9:00 am to 11:00 am. Open Water Dives 3 & 4. Have Instructor sign your log book.

Then go for *your* first FUN dive, after certification, sign log books with your dive partner.

12:00 noon to 12:30 pm. Please rinse your equipment and load it in the trailer.

1:00 pm. We'll have lunch in Balmorhea, then, have a safe trip home.

Thanks for choosing Dive Quest Scuba for your complete source for your continued Scuba Adventures for training, travel and equipment needs.