

Experience Programs

You don't have to be a certified diver to participate in Dive World's Experience programs. However, as you can see by the flowchart below, some of the programs are designed to give you credit toward becoming a fully certified diver at your Instructor's discretion.

Discover Snorkeling

Look just below the surface - that's where all the action is! And Discover Snorkeling experience is your ticket to the action-packed underwater world. With tips and suggestions on how to make the most of your snorkeling adventures, this program is based on three simple principles: you snorkel because you want to see and interact with the underwater world, snorkeling is a great adventure and anyone can do it! (No minimum age requirements.) The video, Discover the Underwater World, highlights the sights and experiences of snorkeling and the intriguing creatures you'll encounter. Again, the emphasis is on simple tips to make snorkeling even easier. Accompanying the video is Discover the Underwater World, The Snorkeler's Field Guide, which illustrates various underwater environments with common aquatic life you can expect to see.

SASY

It's time to snorkel - a new and exciting way! Supplied Air Snorkeling for Youth (SASY) lets you experience the underwater world the easy way - by snorkeling with scuba equipment instead of a snorkel.

I know what you're thinking. How does that work? It's easy. A SASY unit is basically a personal flotation device (PFD) with a scuba tank and regulator attached. This way, you float with the PFD, but with the scuba equipment attached, you're free to keep your head underwater so you don't miss any of the action beneath the surface.

Snorkeling with SASY - it's fun, it's safe, it's easy! You can find information on the SASY program at Dive Centers and Resorts. Stop by your local Dive Center or Resort to ask about how you can try snorkeling with scuba gear.

Once you try SASY, and complete the program, send in for your own SASY participant card and wall certificate. The full-color, wallet-size card comes with your picture, name and address. The wall certificate announces you as "SAS Savvy!" Jump in the water and try SASY today! Once you master SASY and experience the adventure of the underwater world, you'll be ready to get scuba certified. All we ask is that you're at least 10 years old and you dive with a parent, guardian or professional. If you're at least eight years old, the Bubblemaker program is perfect for you. Check it out.

Bubblemaker

Kids - bring your parents diving! For young adventurers like you, the Bubblemaker program is an introduction to the thrill of breathing underwater. If you're eight or nine years of age, now is your chance to take the plunge with an Instructor and go pool diving.

Whether it's a glass of milk, bubble gum or submerged beneath the surface - you can't help blowing bubbles! So try blowing bubbles our way. Start out on the right fin, jump into the Bubblemaker program today!

Seal Team

The Seal Team is for young divers who are looking for an action-packed, adventurous program filled with exciting scuba "AquaMissions."

Have you ever wondered what it's like to dive with flashlights, take pictures underwater or float effortlessly like an Astronaut? If you have, this is your chance to explore these exciting adventures in a swimming pool.

As a Seal, you learn the basics of safe diving and explore different AquaMissions - or specialty dives - like wreck, navigation, buoyancy, underwater photography, environmental awareness and more.

Here's your chance to explore cool AquaMissions, meet friends and share in the adventure of the underwater world. And best of all - join a winning team - become a Seal Team Member! Check out www.sealteam.com for more information on how to get started!

Discover Scuba

If you've always wanted to try scuba diving - then jump in! Here's your chance to breathe underwater in a fun, convenient session conducted in a pool, or any pool-like body of water. Whether you watch the short Discover Scuba video, or are briefed with the Discover Scuba Diving Flip Chart, you'll enter the water ready for your scuba adventure. After you and your instructor strap on your scuba gear, you'll have the chance to dive down to 6 metres/20 feet. As soon as you Discover Scuba, you're on your way to an internationally recognized certification. That's because you may learn skills from the Open Water Diver course during your Discover Scuba adventure. If you and your instructor elect to practice these skills, they may be credited to the Scuba Diver or Open Water Diver certifications.

What does all that mean? Go diving, practice some skills with your instructor, and get a head start on your Scuba Diver or Open Water Diver certification!

To go on your Discover Scuba adventure, you must at least be 10 years or older and complete the Discover Scuba Statement (which includes a medical questionnaire).

Discover Scuba Diving

When you discover scuba diving, you discover excitement and adventure - freedom and serenity. Nothing compares to the "weightless" exhilaration of breathing underwater. Only a diver knows the feeling!

The Discover Scuba Diving program lets you experience the thrill of diving under the supervision of an Instructor in ideal conditions, such as those found at a resort. During your adventure, you'll master some basic concepts and scuba skills before heading off on an open water dive.

Your open water dive takes you as deep as 12 metres/40 feet! (Of course, this depends on where you dive.) The Discover Scuba Diving experience is a great way to get a head start on your Scuba Diver or Open Water Diver certification. That's because the skills you complete during your adventure may credit these certification levels. All you have to do is complete a Student Diver Record and Referral Form, which documents your achievement, and bring it to any Dive Center or Resort to continue where you left off.

To participate in the Discover Scuba Diving experience, you must be at least 10 years old.

We offer a variety of Recreational courses covering a variety of topics. Whether you are just thinking about SCUBA diving or are ready to become a professional diver, we have classes to suit your needs. We also offer snorkeling classes and even have classes for kids.

Can you imagine being in a tropical location diving in crystal clear water, surrounded by brightly colored coral and fish. You and your buddy put on your dive equipment to enter the water and explore the abundance of marine life -- all the while hovering weightlessly underwater. Or, you could be off

exploring a new shipwreck off the coast of a small island out in the middle of the ocean - where conditions are challenging.

You're ready for anything because you've invested in the right training and have gained valuable hands-on experience. Is being prepared for worth it? You bet!

Do you have to travel to these areas to learn to dive or take a continuing education course? You can if you like. However, you can also choose to learn most of these skills in areas relatively close to where you live.