

# IE Candidate Statement of Understanding

This statement informs you of the requirements for certification at the PADI Instructor Examination (IE). It is your responsibility to read and initial the following information. After reading it and discussing any questions concerning its contents with the Instructor Examiner, sign and date this statement.

## 1. Dive Theory Examinations

Written examinations will be administered in Physics, Physiology, Recreational Dive Planners, Dive Skills and Environment, and Equipment. Each exam consists of 12 multiple-choice questions. You must pass each exam with a score of 75% or higher. You will have a maximum of one hour and 30 minutes to complete all 60 questions on the five examinations. If you fail one of the five exams, a makeup will be administered. Only one exam may be made up and you will have a maximum of 30 minutes to complete the 12 questions. Minimum passing score on any makeup exam is 75%. Failure on two or more exams will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

## 2. PADI Systems, Standards and Procedures Examination

This is an open-book exam. You may use the PADI Instructor Manual (paper or digital version) and the PADI Instructor Candidate Workbook as reference. The exam consists of 50 true/false and multiple-choice questions. You will have a maximum of one hour and 30 minutes to complete this exam. Passing score is 75% or higher and there is no makeup on this exam. A score below 75% will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS Initial \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Knowledge Development Presentations

The IE assignments you received include two knowledge development topics from the PADI System. If you are unsuccessful on the initial presentation, the second topic is your makeup presentation. The passing score on the initial presentation is 3.5 or higher. Any score below 3.5 is unsuccessful, and you will be given an opportunity for a makeup. Successful performance on the makeup requires a score of 3.5 or higher. A score below 3.5 on the makeup will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT Initial \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Confined Water Teaching Presentations

The IE assignments you received include two confined water topics from the PADI System. During the confined water teaching presentations you will be required to demonstrate the skill you are teaching. One instructional assistant may be used to help with group control and/or to demonstrate two-person skills. Failure to perform a demonstration will result in a score of 1.0 for the entire presentation.

If you are unsuccessful on the initial presentation, the second topic is your makeup presentation. The passing score on the initial presentation is 3.4 or higher. Any score below 3.4 is unsuccessful and you will be given an opportunity for a makeup. Successful performance on the makeup requires a score of 3.4 or higher. A score below 3.4 on the makeup will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

## 5. Confined Water Skill Circuit

To demonstrate skill mastery, you will perform a skill circuit consisting of five skills from the PADI System. Your proficiency is measured using the demonstration criteria on the PADI Confined Water Evaluation Form.

- The minimum passing score is 17 total points for all five skills and each skill at 3.0 or higher.
- If one score is under 3.0, but 17 total points are scored initially, you will be given an opportunity for a makeup and repeat just that one skill.
- If the score is below 17 total points in the initial skill circuit, you will be given an opportunity to repeat all five skills.
- Scores of 1.0 or 2.0 on two or more skills initially or not passing the makeup will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

CONFINED WATER Initial \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Open Water Teaching Presentations

The IE assignments you received include two topics from the PADI System. During this portion of the IE both skills will be conducted during a single open water dive and the two scores will be averaged. Therefore, there is no makeup. The passing score for the evaluation is an average of 3.5 or higher. An average score below 3.5 will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

## 7. Open Water Rescue Demonstration

You will be required to demonstrate competence in the rescue of a simulated, unconscious/non-breathing diver at the surface. The primary emphasis of this evaluation is on the proper initiation of ventilation with two full rescue breaths and the maintenance of a proper ventilation cycle of one breath every five seconds for the duration of the evaluation. The following skills will be evaluated:

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| a. Approach                  | e. Protection and maintenance of airway |
| b. Initial contact           | f. Maintenance of ventilation cycle     |
| c. Initiation of ventilation | g. Equipment removal                    |
| d. Establishment of buoyancy | h. Tow during resuscitation             |

The Instructor Examiner will conduct a specific logistical and performance briefing prior to the initial evaluation. The inability to properly demonstrate the above skills will result in failure. One makeup is allowed. Failure in the makeup will disqualify you from certification during this IE.

OPEN WATER Initial \_\_\_\_\_

## 8. General Skills

The Examiners will make an objective assessment of your general diving skills during the confined water and open water sessions. Complete familiarity and competence in all skills prescribed in the PADI System will be required. You are expected to exhibit role model skill levels based on the demonstration criteria on the PADI Confined Water Evaluation Form. Failure to exhibit this will disqualify you from certification during this IE and require successful completion of both confined water and open water sections at the next IE.

## 9. Professionalism

Attendance at the IE is at the discretion of the Instructor Examiner. If your behavior, attitude or actions are considered unprofessional, inappropriate, or distracting to other candidates, you may be required to leave. Dismissal from a PADI IE will result in forfeiture of the program fee and evaluation scores. Furthermore, dismissal for such reasons will require written permission from PADI to attend another complete IE.

## 10. Refund Policy

The IE fee is nonrefundable, in part or whole. Attendance at subsequent IEs requires payment for the respective sections (written examinations, knowledge development, confined water and/or open water) that you need to repeat.

GENERAL SKILLS, PROFESSIONALISM & REFUND POLICY Initial \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Certification Guidelines

Demonstration of below-passing performance in any area of evaluation will result in non-certification as a PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor. All areas of evaluation must be successfully completed at the initial IE, or by completing the appropriate segments at subsequent IEs to be successful as an IE candidate. There is a mandatory 5-day waiting period to allow remediation before attending another IE. Failure of three or more sections of a first IE, an incomplete first IE, or failure of a second IE following an IDC or OWSI course will require attendance and payment for another complete IE. Failure at a second IE will also require remediation prescribed by PADI and written verification of completion from a teaching status PADI Course Director before attending any subsequent IE.

## 12. Teaching Status

Successful candidates may begin to teach when verification is received from PADI after the IDC/OWSI/IE paperwork has been reviewed and processed and the insurance requirement has been met (when applicable).

CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES & TEACHING STATUS Initial \_\_\_\_\_

**This document signed at this IE will apply to any subsequent IE during the next twelve months. I have read and understand the above statements and have had any questions regarding the requirements for certification answered to my satisfaction.**

Print Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date (Day/Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_