

## *Experience counts.*

Welcome to High Plains Scuba Center, Northern Colorado's oldest and largest full-service scuba facility. Thank you for choosing us for your aquatic adventures.

## *Everything you need.*

High Plains Scuba Center offers the finest in professional education, quality travel services, state of the art equipment, **and an onsite heated pool.** Whether you are just getting started or you're an experienced diver, High Plains Scuba Center has what you need.

*Training.* Learn scuba diving from our highly trained and experienced instructors. We conduct courses from entry level through all professional levels.

*Equipment.* Our friendly and knowledgeable retail staff can counsel you in finding the equipment that's best suited to you. And we stand behind what we sell.

*Service and Repair.* Our service department has the expertise to keep your equipment working safely. Protect your investment with regular maintenance.

*Travel.* Rely on HPSC's expertise in dive travel. We'll help you find the right destination, choose the accommodations that fit your interests, and put together a vacation package you'll love.

**READY?** Let us help you get started on your lifetime of **SCUBA ADVENTURE!!!!**

## *Begin...*

Scuba  
Ranger

Snorkeling  
Course

Try  
Scuba

Open  
Water  
Diver

Open  
Water  
Certification

## *Continue...*

Scuba  
Skills  
Update

Advanced  
Diver

Stress  
& Rescue  
Diver

Continuing  
Education

## ➤ *Share...*

Dive  
Control  
Specialist

Open  
Water  
Instructor

**SSI**  
SCUBA SCHOOLS  
INTERNATIONAL

# OPEN WATER INSTRUCTOR

*Program  
Year 2012*



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## INSTRUCTOR RATING

The SSI Open Water Instructor is one of the most efficient training programs in the industry. It not only focuses on creating savvy instructors, but gives them valuable teaching tools and insight of retail sales, making this program one of the most comprehensive instructional programs in practice.

## PREREQUISITES

Before applying to the Instructor Training program, candidates must:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have a current medical exam for diving signed by a physician.
- Have logged at least 75 open water dives.
- Be certified as a Dive Control Specialist or Equivalent
- Have personal scuba diving equipment of leadership quality.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Have current certification in CPR, First Aid and oxygen provider.
- Serve apprenticeship time and perform practice teaching as listed in the course curriculum
- Have logged a total of at least 100 open water dives

## TRAINING

The Instructor Training program consists of 60 to 100 hours of classroom theory, practice teaching presentations, observations, water work in pool and open water, and examination. Finally, the Instructor must pass an Open Water Instructor Evaluation, conducted by an SSI Instructor Evaluator or Certifier.

## AFTER GRADUATION

After certification, active Open Water Instructors may:

- Conduct Open Water Diver
- Conduct Scuba Skills Update
- Try Scuba programs.
- Conduct limited Specialty training and issue certification.
- Teach snorkel diving and issue certification.
- Teach Scuba Ranger Programs.
- Give underwater tours and serve as dive masters to certified scuba divers locally and abroad..
- Attend an SSI Advanced Open Water Instructor Course.

## INSTRUCTOR RATING

Open Water Instructor may **not**:

- Teach above Open Water Diver materials that you are not certified for.
- Violate training standards
- Teach while inactive or uninsured.



## ACTIVE STATUS

To maintain active status, Instructors must be affiliated with an SSI Dealer and have current insurance.

## COST

Your fee of **\$2150** includes:

- Academic instruction
- Confined water instruction
- Open water instruction
- SSI registration and documentation
- Apprenticeship time
- Instructor Evaluation
- Instructor manual (\$295.00 Value)
- Liability insurance to your first renewal

Fee does not include:

- Equipment (with the exception of tanks and weights).
- Transportation to activities.
- Hotel accommodations and/or entry fees where applicable.

## 2012 SCHEDULE

Orientation at HPSC 6pm:

- February 29
- May 30
- September 26



## UPGRADE ADD-ONS

Options:

- Advanced OWSI: Add \$275\*
- Stress & Rescue OWSI: Add \$375\*\*
- DiveCon OWSI: Add \$695\*\*

\* \$20 Processing fee for each specialty not included.  
\*\* Includes materials and processing fees.