



**WELCOME TO PHARAOH DIVE CLUB – EL QUSEIR'S  
2008 NEW SEASON IDC PROGRAMME  
START DATE 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 08  
AT THE FANADIR RESORT, EL QUSEIR, RED SEA**

Congratulations on taking the first steps towards a fantastically rewarding achievement, becoming an internationally recognised PADI Open Water Instructor. Whether your aims are for a career in the industry or simply personal goals, you could not have chosen a better vehicle. PADI's Instructor Development Course (IDC) is the world standard for instructor training.

Choosing to complete the course in the warm waters of the Red Sea is also a step in the right direction. The dedicated modern facilities, unlimited access to pool and open water provide the perfect relaxed environment to help ease you through the programme.

The IDC staff at Pharaoh Dive Club are led by Course Director Keith Sleightholm who has a very hands on approach to ensure that every candidate is given all the assistance and motivational help that they could possibly require, yet maintaining a fun and relaxed environment.

The objective of the Instructor Development program is to prepare you to become a PADI instructor. The program involves a varied curriculum of presentations, confined and open water workshops, discussions and candidate teaching presentations.

The PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC) comprises of two distinct components – the Assistant Instructor (AI) course and Open Water Scuba Instructor (OWSI) program.

The AI course is a minimum of three days. This introduces you to the teaching techniques for skill and knowledge development. The course concentrates on duties and programs AI's may conduct independently. Successfully completing this course earns you an AI certification and qualifies you to continue with the OWSI portion of the program.

The OWSI program is a minimum of four days. This introduces you to the entire PADI System and focuses on further developing your abilities as a professional dive educator. PADI Assistant Instructors (or those who have completed the AI portion of the IDC) as well as instructors from other dive training organizations who want to become PADI Instructors must complete this portion of the program. The AI course and OWSI program both emphasize learning and development – not evaluation. This allows you to gain confidence and improve performance in a low-stress environment. Successfully completing this program qualifies you to attend a PADI Instructor Examination.

Instructor Examination (IE) – To become a PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor, you must successfully complete an IE. The IE serves as an objective evaluation of your skills and knowledge. Although passing an IE is necessary to become an OWSI – it is not the primary focus of the IDC. The ability to pass the IE is a natural result of preparing to be an instructor.

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## Assistant Instructor

### Prerequisites

To enroll on an Assistant Instructor course, an individual must:

1. Be certified as a PADI Divemaster or hold a leadership level certification with another recreational diver training organization (i.e. BSAC Club Instructor or higher).
2. Be at least 18 years old.
3. Have been a certified diver for at least six months with at least 60 open water scuba dives completed and logged which must include documentation of experience in deep, night and navigation diving.
4. Have proof of First Aid and CPR training within the last 24 months.
5. Have a medical signed by a doctor within the last 12 months stating that you are fit to dive.

### Performance Requirements

You must complete the independent study Knowledge Reviews in your Instructor Candidate Workbook **prior** to the course. Doing so provides you with background information and an overview of basic standards. This information is necessary for you to progress through the course. During the course, you'll attend six curriculum presentations. You'll also give at least two confined water teaching presentations, two knowledge development presentations, and one open water teaching presentation integrating two skills. Our staff will evaluate your teaching presentations and provide suggestions for improvement. Prior to certification as an Assistant Instructor (or being qualified to go on to the OWSI program)

Prior to AI certification (or going on to the OWSI program), you'll also need to demonstrate mastery by passing a PADI System, Standards and Procedures Exam and demonstrate competency by successfully completing a skill evaluation.

Keep in mind that this is a performance based developmental process. You will have several opportunities to reach these levels – you don't have to reach these scores on the first try. Our professional and approachable staff will work with you to develop your abilities and provide additional presentation opportunities.

Please note that unless Assistant Instructors continue directly on to an IDC we strongly recommended that they attend the full IDC in order to refresh their skills, as we feel that the extra time is essential in order for the candidate to comprehensively prepare for the exam.

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# Open Water Scuba Instructor

## Prerequisites

To enroll on the OWSI program, an individual must:

1. Be certified as a PADI Assistant Instructor or hold a leadership level certification with another recreational diver training organization (i.e. BSAC Club Instructor or higher).
2. Be at least 18 years old.
3. Have been a certified diver for at least six months with at least 60 open water scuba dives completed and logged which must include documentation of experience in deep, night and navigation diving. This will need to be a minimum of 100 to be able to sit an IE.
4. Have proof of First Aid and CPR training within the last 24 months.
5. Have a medical signed by a doctor within the last 12 months stating that you are fit to dive. If you attend an IE your medical must still be within the 12 month date. If you are planning to teach in the UK then you need to have a current HSE medical as well.

## Performance Requirements

You must complete the independent study Knowledge Reviews in your Instructor Candidate Workbook *prior* to the course. (If you're continuing on from the AI course, you should have already done this.) Doing so provides you with background information and an overview of basic standards. This information is necessary for you to progress through the course. During the course, you'll attend 13 curriculum presentations. You may also attend an optional presentation regarding the RDP. You'll give at least two confined water teaching presentations, two knowledge development presentations, and one open water teaching presentation integrating two skills. You'll also participate in workshops involving an Adventure Dive and a Rescue Diver Course Exercise. Our staff will evaluate your teaching presentations and provide suggestions for improvement.

Prior to completing the program and being qualified to attend a PADI IE, you'll need to demonstrate knowledge of dive theory by passing a five-part theory exam scoring at least 75 percent on each part. You'll also need to demonstrate competency by successfully completing a skill evaluation and show a level of physical fitness and stamina by completing a mask, snorkel, fin swim.

Just like the AI Course, this is a performance based developmental process. You will have several opportunities to reach these levels – you don't have to reach these scores on the first try.

As part of this commitment to excellence our Course Director will be available at all times to offer advice, direction and support. Additionally we provide unlimited access to the pool for skills practice with evaluation and critique sessions.

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## Instructor Examination

The IE is an evaluative two-day program conducted by PADI Instructor Examiners. You'll be asked to demonstrate your teaching ability, rescue ability and understanding of the PADI System and dive theory. PADI Instructor Examiners are highly trained professional PADI Course Directors from one or more of PADI's International offices. Examiners may offer you helpful suggestions, but their primary job is to evaluate your performance. There's no coaching at an IE, so you must go fully prepared.

After you have successfully met all of the performance requirements of the OWSI program, you'll receive signed authorisation to attend an IE. It's important to note that you make the final decision about whether you're ready to attend an IE - meeting the minimum performance requirements does not necessarily guarantee that you will be successful at the IE. You may choose to attend right away, you may decide to study and practice more before going to an IE or we may advise that, although you met minimum requirements, you should strengthen key areas prior to attending an IE. Our Course Director Keith Sleightholm is of course always available for consultation and should you need more practice prior to attending an IE, you will be able to continue to work directly with the Course Director.

## Internship & Career Development

Successful completion of the IE is the first step to an exciting and rewarding diving industry career, the next stage is to gain some valuable experience. At Pharaoh Dive Club we offer all our candidates the opportunity to stay on for a month and work with the dive team as a full member taking courses and guiding.

We also offer the opportunity to enhance your qualifications withEFR, DAN and Specialty Instructor, advice and guidance on the benefits of these additional qualifications is available from the Keith Sleightholm Course Director at anytime.

## Costs

Don't be misled by the apparent offer of low cost IDC / IE programmes, unfortunately the way to make advertising affective is to banner a low price, all centres have to do it to get noticed! When you check the price make sure you have included everything in your budget.

IDC Prep Course [Optional but recommended]

AI/IDC Course Cost

Required Course Materials

Accommodation at both the IDC and the IE

Travel Costs to the IDC and to IE

Exam Fees

PADI Instructor Certification Fees

& then see what extras have been provided to enhance the offer, often a free specialty.

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