

### ITDA GROUP INTERNATIONAL

#### LEVEL 3 LEADERSHIP STANDARDS 2014

#### ABOUT STANDARDS

This Standard specifies the competencies that a scuba diver has to have achieved in order to be awarded certification indicating that they have met or exceeded scuba diver level 3 "Dive Leader" and specifies assessment of these competencies.

Our "Dive Leader Level" Scuba Training also meets and exceeds the International standard of **EN 14153-3 / ISO 24801-3** Scuba divers at level 3 "Dive Leader" shall be trained to have sufficient knowledge, skills and experience to plan, organise and conduct their dives and lead other recreational scuba divers in open water.

A Scuba diver at level 3 "Dive Leader" is qualified to:

- Conduct any specialised recreational scuba diving activities, for which they have received appropriate training,
- Plan and execute emergency procedures appropriate for the diving environment and activities.
- If diving and environmental conditions are significantly different from those previously experienced, a scuba diver at level 3 "Dive Leader" requires an appropriate orientation with regard to local environmental conditions.

In order to lead scuba divers on dives which have more demanding operational parameters a scuba diver at level 3 "Dive Leader" shall have appropriate specialised training and experience.

ITDA Group Dive Leaders are generally considered to be more highly trained and qualified than the standard dive industry "Dive Master" level. As our training and certification process is to a higher standard.



STUDENT SUPERVISION

#### ITDA GROUP DIVE LEADER

Our dive leader programs include the following:

- CPR First Aid & Oxygen First Aid
- Advanced Rescue Skills
- Specialist Diving Supervisor
- Professional Dive Guide
- Instructional Assistant
- Specialist Instructor
- Dive Medic Instructor

Our Leadership level is unique in the Diving Industry as we do not just train this level to supervise divers in training as many agencies do... But we offer a number of upgrade options which can be included in the Dive Leader Certification or may be added as training modules...

# LEVEL 3 DIVE LEADERSHIP



## ITDA GROUP STANDARDS REQUIREMENTS FOR...

### DIVE LEADER CERTIFICATIONS

#### The ITDA Group Dive Leader is a cut above the rest...

They require a unique set of diving skills, social skills and advanced safety training...

It takes a very special person to make the grade of ITDA Dive Leader...

All of the major training agencies have their leadership levels and many are very good but our advanced skills and advanced theory training meets and exceeds the Industry standards by a long way... Making the ITDA Dive Leader Program both challenging and highly rewarding...

#### A Rewarding Choice

The traditional role of the dive master has long been a form of "not quite an Instructor and a "Wanna be" Dive professional... The role of the ITDA Dive leader is one of real leadership and professional status.

### ITDA Group Professional Guide

The role of an ITDA Group Professional guide goes far beyond the traditional...

Dive Leader (Guide) Responsibility Includes:  
Responsibility for the dive planning

- Responsibility for the group safety
- Control and Management of the Dive Team
- Checking and Management of equipment in their charge
- Search and Rescue
- Surface Support and Boat Crew

The role of a dive leader as a Professional dive guide or buddy is probably the most traditional role of the Leadership level diver or "Dive Master".



LIFE SAVING SKILLS



BOAT CREW

# ROLE OF DIVE LEADER

LEVEL 3 DIVER PROGRAMS

STANDARDS  
EXCEEDING ISO  
COMPLIANCE



ADVANCED PLANNING

## What can a Dive Leader as Instructional Assistant do?

- Supervise Divers in Training and Train in remedial skills
- Teach Theory Classes under the direction and direct supervision of the Instructor
- Lead Divers in Training on Specialist Courses (In which they are qualified)
- Train and Certify Limited Specialist Diver Programs
- Operate an ITDA Dive Club under the Direction/Supervision of an ITDA Trainer
- Function as lead Crew on a Dive Boat / Vessel (2nd or 1st Mate)
- Teach, Train and Certify IHMP CPR First Aid - Oxygen / AED First Aid

## DIVE LEADER ROLES

### ITDA Dive Leader as Pro guide and Specialist Instructor

ITDA Group dive leaders have an advantage to offer dive Centres and dive operators as they may also be qualified as "Specialist Instructors", this means that Instructors may be freed up for training new divers, while the Dive Leader can certify experienced divers in many specialist certifications in which they are experienced and certified.

They may also become qualified as "**Club Instructors**"...

### Dive Leader as an Instructional Assistant / Specialist Instructor

ITDA Group Dive Leader additional qualifications:

Examples of Specialist Certifications an ITDA Group DL may certify to train.

- Nitrox and Ntech Nitrox
- Navigation
- Buoyancy Workshop
- Equipment Basics
- CPR First Aid / Oxygen / AED
- Marine Life / Reef Fish ID
- Basic Rescue & First Aid
- UW Photo & Video
- Search and Recovery
- Dry Suit Orientation Program

# UPGRADES

## FROM DIVE LEADER (LEADERSHIP LEVEL)

Next steps ITDA Group International Professional Training Upgrade Path.



### Dive Leader Upgrades

ITDA Group "Dive Leaders", may qualify to upgrade to take our Entry Level Instructor Training Program (ITP) after a minimum of 100+ Experience dives and completing our pre-ITDA/ITP Program.

They may pre-qualify for Club Instructor, Resort Instructor or 2\*\*Star Instructor. (Level 1 Entry Level Instructor for ITDA)

They may also be upgraded based on experience and Instructor Trainer recommendation during the ITP Course, to Sports Instructor.

Unlike many other agencies training courses, our programs are designed to maximise the students' skills and abilities to the highest possible standards in the time scales provided, meeting higher training and theory standards in the process.

## ITDA GROUP CLUB INSTRUCTOR

[www.diveitda.com](http://www.diveitda.com)

**Level 3.** Any Agency "Dive Master or Equal level", may apply to crossover to ITDA Group at our "Dive Leader Level and upgrade to "Club Instructor or Entry Level 1. Scuba Diving Instructor, Resort Instructor / 2\*\*Star (Cold Water) Instructor and train/certify entry level and specialist diver programs. After 6 months experience, training at teaching at this level you may apply for an upgrade to ITDA Group Sports Instructor or Technical level 1 Instructor. Dive masters or equal levels may become IHMP Dive Medic Instructors, CPR and Oxygen...

<http://www.diveitda.com/dive-leader.htm>

