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Statement of Understanding and Student Learning Agreement for Skin and Scuba Diving Training

The diving course you are about to begin is an exciting and demanding challenge. It will allow you to eventually explore the "other three-fourths" of our planet that is underwater. To accept the call of underwater adventure, you must be aware of the risks involved in the sport and be willing to study and practice to achieve success.

This course will require heavy physical exertion. You will need to be able to equalize pressure in your ears and sinuses. Your breathing and circulatory systems must also be in good health. You will need to complete a medical history form and your instructor may require you to be examined by a physician. You will also need to read, discuss and sign a waiver, release and indemnity agreement, and this document. If you are a minor, you will need to have this form and your medical form signed by a parent. These forms are returned to the instructor for the course files.

Skin and scuba diving are equipment sports. Some equipment is personal and needs to be purchased. Other equipment can be rented or will be provided during the course. Do not purchase equipment until it has been discussed in class and you know how to evaluate your purchases.

The cost of this course is $295.00 and includes classroom and pool facility fees, classroom materials, equipment for pool sessions, textbook, referral for open water qualification dives and certification card upon successful completion. The course meeting times are Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30PM to 9:00PM for three weeks.

Additional costs in order to complete certification will be incurred for open water qualification dives, which can be accomplished in a variety of ways. Open water training session options will be discussed during the course, but you can plan on making four open water dives over a period of two days.

Important information is included in every course session. Because diving is built from a few basics to more complex concepts, you must attend every session or your training will be incomplete. You will be required to make up any missed sessions at additional cost. Bring a notebook and pen to take notes in class. Your notes will help you study for the classroom evaluations. You will need to successfully complete a final examination and successfully demonstrate all required skills in open water in order to be certified.

AGREEMENT: I understand and agree that by enrolling in this course I am incurring obligations for attendance, skill performance and financial responsibility. I understand and agree that mastering the subject matter and skills of skin and scuba diving are largely dependent on me, and that there will be no refunds for any reason. That my instructor is only able to assist and guide me as I proceed through the training process. That my accounts with the facility and/or the instructor must be settled before I will receive my certification card. I also understand and agree that learning to skin or scuba dive requires a commitment of time, money, cooperation and practice in order to be certified. I am willing to accept the risks and responsibilities for my own actions. I understand and agree that the instructor must make the final judgment as to my competency to be a safe diver and be awarded certification.

Signed _____ **Date**_____

Parent(s) of Minor _____ **Date** _____

Printed Name of Signatory _____