

# Underwater Navigator

## The PADI Underwater Navigator Course

Be the diver everyone wants to follow and make your sense of direction legendary with the PADI Underwater Navigator Specialty course.

### The Fun Part

Finding your way is not a matter of luck! When everyone's buzzing about a reef or checking out a [shipwreck](#), they're having a great time – until it's time to go. Then they turn to you, because as a PADI Underwater Navigator, you know the way back to the boat.

### Get College Credit

You may be able to earn [college credit for the PADI Underwater Navigator Course](#).

### What You Learn

Underwater navigation can be challenging, but in the PADI Underwater Navigator Specialty course, you master the challenge. You learn the tools of the trade, including navigation via natural clues and by compass.



You learn

- Navigation patterns
- Natural navigation (without a compass)
- Compass navigation
- How to “mark” or relocate a submerged object or position from the surface
- Underwater map making
- How to follow irregular courses with the Nav-Finder
- Dive site relocation
- How to estimate distance underwater

### The Scuba Gear You Use

You will use the basic [scuba diving equipment](#), some [scuba accessories](#) such as a dive slate and an underwater compass.

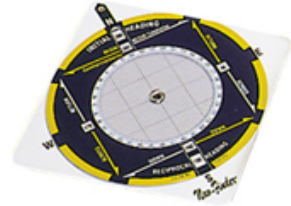
Check with us about gear rentals and packages offered with this course. You can find most everything here at NOVA Dive Center.

### The Learning Materials You Need



Accurate navigation is based on thoughtful preparation. With that in mind: PADI's Navigation crewpak includes everything needed to complete the Underwater Navigation specialty. The manual and DVD preview the navigation skills you'll practice with your instructor both on land and underwater. Use the Nav-Finder to track where you've been and chart the most direct route back to the boat or shore.

**To purchase these products, contact us any time.**



## Prerequisites

You must be:

- A [PADI Open Water Diver](#) or Junior Diver (or qualifying certification from organization)
- At least 10 years old



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## Your Next Adventure

Underwater navigation is an important skill no matter what type of scuba diving you're doing. It's especially useful when [night diving](#), [wreck diving](#) or when [you're searching to recover a lost item underwater](#).