

# Specialty Instructor

## The PADI Specialty Instructor Course



Dive more, have more fun and teach about your favorite subjects.

Specialty instructor courses provide valuable teaching tips for meeting the requirements of the course.

You can choose from any of the 27 standard specialty courses that PADI offers along with distinctive specialty courses your Course Director may offer. Having five specialty instructor ratings is a prerequisite for the [Master Scuba Diver Trainer](#) (MSDT) rating.

Browse the [most popular instructor specialties](#).

Don't see a specialty on a subject that interests you? Write your own specialty! It's easy and it gets you teaching scuba divers about things you like.

## The Fun Part



Whether it's [Ice](#), [Deep](#), [Photography](#), [Enriched Air Nitrox](#) or one of your own, PADI Specialty Instructors are out there scuba diving and training. Join the fun.

- As a PADI Specialty Instructor, challenge your students to become [Master Scuba Divers](#)
- Increase your marketability as a PADI Professional

## What You Learn

You're on your way to becoming a [PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer](#) with only five PADI Specialty Instructor ratings

You have three ways to become a PADI Specialty Instructor:

1. With a [Course Director](#)
2. Use your experience to apply directly to PADI
3. Write your own outline

Doing Specialty Instructor with a PADI <a href="#">Course Director</a>	Apply for Specialty Instructor Rating directly to PADI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10 experience dives in each particular specialty</li><li>• Minimum number of certification not required</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 20 experience dives in each particular specialty</li><li>• Have certified at least 25 divers before applying</li></ul>



Specialty Instructor Training course attendance is highly recommended. These courses provide valuable hands-on training, technique demonstrations, course marketing information, current PADI Standards information and, when applicable, instructor-level open water training.

## What You Can Teach



Teach the [PADI Specialties](#) you like most!

At a glance, compare [what you can teach](#) when you continue your professional diver education.

## The Scuba Gear You Use



You will need to equip yourself with all the [basic scuba gear](#), some [scuba accessories](#) and depending on which specialties you teach, you'll need other specialty diving gear such as [dive lights](#) or [underwater photography equipment](#). You can find most everything at your local [dive shop](#)

## Learning Materials You Need

PADI's Specialty Instructor Manual (product no. 70250) includes the specialty instructor guides for all of PADI's standardized specialties. The outlines are also available digitally on the Specialty Instructor Manual CD-ROM (product no. 70909MUL). Once registered, the digital specialty manual can be updated for a discounted price.

To purchase this product, contact us any time.

## **Prerequisites**

You must be a

- Renewed [PADI Assistant Instructor](#), [PADI Instructor](#) or have completed an IDC or [Open Water Scuba Instructor \(OWSI\)](#) program within the past 12 month.