

# Tec Deep Instructor Information Handout

## Requirements to Qualify as a Tec Deep Instructor through a Tec Deep Instructor Training Course

**To enrol in a Tec Deep Instructor training course, you must meet the following criteria:**

- Be a renewed PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor (or a PADI Instructor with a higher rating).
- Be a PADI Enriched Air Instructor, or have successfully completed a PADI Enriched Air Instructor training course.
- Be a PADI Deep Diver Specialty Instructor, or have successfully completed a PADI Deep Diver Specialty Instructor training course.
- Have a minimum of 100 logged dives, where at least 20 dives were made with enriched air nitrox, 25 dives were deeper than 18 metres/60 feet and at least 15 dives were deeper than 30 metres/ 100 feet.

**Upon successfully completing the Tec Deep Instructor training course, before sending your application to PADI, you must meet the following criteria:**

- Be a renewed PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer or PADI Instructor with a higher rating.
- Be a PADI Enriched Air Instructor.
- Be a PADI Deep Diver Specialty Instructor.
- Be certified as a Tec 50 diver, or have a qualifying certification from another training organization. For the purposes of this level, a qualifying certification is certification for technical deep diving using air, enriched air and pure oxygen for decompression dives to at least 50 metres/ 165 feet. The PADI Course Director conducting the Tec Deep Instructor training course may include the Tec 50 diver level training and certification in the program, issuing the certification when you successfully complete the Tec Deep Instructor training course.
- Have assisted with at least one Tec 50 course or one Tec 45 course.
- If you have a qualifying instructor certification from another training organization, having taught or assisted with one course that qualifies as

Tec 45 and/or Tec 50 courses may meet this requirement, as stipulated on the Tec Deep Instructor Application. Completing the Tec Deep Instructor training course credits as having assisted a Tec 50 diver course. Other types of technical training (instructor level or assisting) may meet these requirements. See the Tec Deep Instructor Application, or contact an Educational Consultant at your PADI Office for more information.

- Have a minimum of 270 dives logged, with at least 25 stage decompression dives that had a maximum depth deeper than 40 metres/130 feet.
- Have certified a total of ten or more PADI Deep Divers and/or PADI Enriched Air Divers. Any combination that totals ten is acceptable.
- Have successfully completed the Tec Deep Instructor Standards Exam and Tec Deep Instructor Theory and Practical Application Exam.
- Meet the peer review waterskill requirements listed on the Tec Deep Instructor Application through the attesting signature of a Tec Deep Instructor, or a PADI Instructor with a qualifying rating from another training organization.
- Minimum age 18 years.

**Your application may need to include documentation/proof of meeting these requirements by including photocopies of certifications, qualifications, etc. Log entry copies or print outs must specify dates, depths, locations, times and gases used. Verification and signatures provided by witnesses (divers and instructors of courses assisted) must provide the same information. See the Tec Deep Instructor Application in the Appendix for details on documentation requirements.**

## Requirements to Qualify as a Tec Deep Instructor by Applying Directly to Your PADI Office

To apply directly to your PADI Office for certification as a Tec Deep Instructor, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a renewed PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer or PADI Instructor with a higher rating.
- Be a PADI Enriched Air Instructor.
- Be a PADI Deep Diver Specialty Instructor.

- Be certified as a Tec 50 diver or have a qualifying certification from another training organization. For the purposes of this level, a qualifying certification is certification for technical deep diving using air, enriched air and pure oxygen for decompression dives to at least 50 metres/ 165 feet.
- Have assisted with at least two Tec 50 courses or one Tec 45 course and one Tec 50 course. If you have a qualifying instructor certification from another training organization as an instructor, having taught or assisted with two courses that qualify as meeting the requirements of the Tec 45 and Tec 50 courses may meet this requirement, as stipulated on the Tec Deep Instructor Application. Other types of technical training (instructor level or assisting) may meet these requirements. See the Tec Deep Instructor Application, or contact an Educational Consultant at your PADI Office for more information.
- Have a minimum of 270 dives logged, with at least 25 stage decompression dives that had a maximum depth deeper than 40 metres/130 feet.
- Have certified a total of ten or more PADI Deep Divers and/or PADI Enriched Air Divers. Any combination that totals ten is acceptable.
- Have successfully completed the Tec Deep Instructor Standards Exam and Tec Deep Instructor Theory and Practical Application Exam within 12 months of the application date.
- Meet the peer review waterskill requirements listed on the Tec Deep Instructor Application through the attesting signature of a Tec Deep Instructor or a PADI Instructor with an equivalent rating.
- Minimum age 18 year

**Your application may need to include documentation/proof of meeting these requirements by including photocopies of certifications, qualifications, etc. Log entry copies or print outs must specify dates, depths, locations, times and gases used. Verification and signatures provided by witnesses (divers and instructors of courses assisted) must provide the same information. See the Tec Deep Instructor Application in the Appendix for details on documentation requirements.**