

Frequently Asked Questions

What paperwork do I need to send in for recertification?

Dive Rescue Specialist

- Completed Annual Watermanship Test
- Completed Annual PSD SCUBA Skills Review
- Completed DRI Recertification Acknowledgement
- 18 logged dives

Public Safety Diver

- Completed Annual Watermanship Test
- Completed Annual PSD SCUBA Skills Review
- Completed PSD Recertification Acknowledgement
- 18 logged dives

Ice Rescue Trainer

- A signed copy of the IRT Standards and Agreements 2016
- A current Medical History Statement (does not need to be signed by a physician)
- A signed copy of the Statement of Understanding and Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk_Recertification
- Proof of department sponsorship/insurance (see Sample Sponsorship Letter)
- Proof of current CPR
- Proof of current First Aid training or EMT or Paramedic certification
- Any outstanding Student Roster(s) and/or Record Submission Form(s)

Swiftwater Rescue Trainer

- Swiftwater Rescue Trainer Standards and Agreements 2016
- Medical History Statement (does not need to be signed by a physician)
- Signed copy of the Statement of Understanding and Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Recertification
- Proof of current CPR
- Proof of current First Aid or EMT or Paramedic license
- Departmental Sponsorship Letter (Sample Sponsorship Letter)
- Any outstanding student roster(s) and record submission form(s)

Public Safety Scuba Instructor

- Signed copy of PSSI Standards and Agreements 2016
- A current Medical Statement, signed by a physician
- Completed IADRS Watermanship Test
- Completed Annual Scuba Skills Review
- Signed and initialed copy of the Statement of Understanding and Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk Recertification
- Letter of department sponsorship/insurance coverage (Sample Sponsorship Letter)
- Recertification Acknowledgement
- Proof of current CPR
- Proof of current First Aid Training, or EMT or Paramedic certification
- Photocopy of 18 departmental dives which can include operational, open water training or up to six pool dives
- If you would like a new ID card, please submit a passport or ID photograph. Digital photos are accepted by email

Dive Rescue One Trainer

- A signed copy of the Dive Rescue One Trainer Standards 2016
- A current Medical History Statement, signed by a physician
- Successful completion of the IADRS Watermanship Test and IADRS SCUBA Skills
 Review within the 12 months prior to the recertification date
- Copy of current PSSI or open water instructor certification
- A signed copy of the Statement of Understanding and Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk_Recertification
- Dive Rescue I Trainer Recertification Acknowledgement
- Proof of department sponsorship/insurance (see DRIT Sample Sponsorship Letter)
- Proof of current CPR
- Proof of current First Aid training or EMT or Paramedic certification
- Any outstanding Student Roster(s) and/or Record Submission Form(s)
- If you would like a new ID card, please submit a passport or ID photograph. Digital photos are accepted by email

How many classes do I need to teach to recertify?

In order to complete a trainer recertification, one class must be taught every three years or since your last recertification. A refresher class would also count towards your recertification. For a refresher class, student kits do not need to be ordered. Each student can use the class material from their original certification. A Class Roster will still need to be turned into Dive Rescue International. Be sure to put "refresher class" at the top of the Class Roster.

What paperwork needs to be turned in after I teach a class?

A Class Roster and Emergency Action Plan must be turned in to Dive Rescue International within 10 days after class. Ice Rescue and Swiftwater Rescue classes also require a Student Submission form to be turned in with the Class Roster and EAP. For refresher classes, an EAP only needs to be turned in if there is an in water portion of the class.

There are 2 of us (instructors) can we teach the same class/refresher?

Yes, multiple instructors can get credit for teaching a class. Each instructor would have to be heavily involved in the class and share the responsibilities equally. Be sure to put each instructor on the class roster before returning it to Dive Rescue International.

How many students can I have in my class?

This varies on the class and number of instructors. This is listed out in the Trainer Standards for each certification.

People from my neighboring department want to attend. Can they?

Their department would need to be part of a mutual aid agreement with your department or included in the trainer's department sponsorship letter. In that case, the trainer's department would be responsible to cover their liability insurance. This must be completed **before** class and turned into Dive Rescue International either before the class is held or with the Class Roster.

Can I charge a neighboring department for my time?

No. The only cost for each student to attend a Dive Rescue Class at your department would be the cost of the Student Kit. If you would like each individual department to pay for their own Student Kits, they will need to contact us directly and be able to give us the Trainer's name for the class.