

UNDERWATER NAVIGATOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Prerequisites:

- Minimum age 10 years
- Certified as a (Junior) Advanced Open Water Diver

Performance Requirements:

Successfully complete the Knowledge Development module

Three dives demonstrating:

- Neutral buoyancy the dives
- Determination of the average number of kick cycles AND the average amount of time required to cover a distance of approximately 30 m./100 ft.
- Navigation to a predetermined point and return to within 15 m./50 ft. of the starting point using natural references and estimated distance measurement
- Correct positioning and handling of a compass to maintain an accurate heading
- Navigation to a predetermined location and return to within 6 m./20 ft. of the start point using a compass and estimated distance measurement
- Swimming a square pattern underwater returning to within 8 m./25 ft. of the starting point
- Navigation of a predetermined course with more than five compass turns, returning to within 15 m./50 ft. of the exit without surfacing
- Fixing a specific underwater location to be relocated on a future dive using two permanent sets of landmarks with an angle of at least 60° between them or using a compass bearing
- Navigation of a compass course under water when new course five or more headings are provided on underwater markers
- Drawing a map of the underwater course covered by the course conducted during the course