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In this issue we have updates on course presentations, student manuals and course materials.

These changes have come about due to recent discussions with IDEST, ASSET and HSE over the issue of stamping cylinders after the visual inspections (PIs). These changes have affected quite a lot of presentation material.

A recent visit to Gozo gave me another opportunity to identify further improvements to the training aids and so there are further additions to the Appendices.

## Replacement TIC1 Instructor and Student Manuals

Continuing the review of the TIC1, the Instructor and Student Manuals have been updated. This update also covers the change in stamping policy at the time of visual inspections, includes the calibration certificate session and a general tidy-up of typos and layout.

The new version of the Instructor Manual is now in the Instructor Resources in Dropbox, version 281019. Please have a read through to ensure you are teaching the up-to-date course content.

The TIC1 Student Course Manual is now only in PDF format and will be sent to each centre once an order is placed.

## Streamlining student manual system

At a recent meeting in Cyprus, I became aware that most diver training organisations have dispensed with printed manuals and are using downloadable PDFs for their students.

This would certainly work for the IDEST courses and have many advantages. It would ensure that the students got the latest version without any untidy amendment sheets enclosed. It would allow you, the Training Centres, to provide the training material to the students ahead of the courses in a downloadable format, without delays from this end.

As the printed manuals run out of stock, I will be introducing this system. I anticipate that by the beginning of 2020 the system will be in full swing for all course manuals. The latest version of the manuals will be added to the

Instructor Resources in Dropbox and a message sent to you all updating you on any changes made.

When you send in an order for manuals, I will pass this request to Pat for invoicing and send you PDF versions of the Application Forms with the Unique Numbers already printed on them. All you need to do is print these off for each student and return the completed forms as you do now.

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## **A new TIC1 Presentation version 1.10**

As a result of the changes brought in with ISO 18119:2018 and the IDEST, ASSET and HSE agreement, the TIC1 presentation has been updated yet again to version 1.10.

Please ensure you have downloaded this version 1.10 for future use.

If you find any other missing aspects of the training in the presentation, please let me know and we will make the amendments.

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## **TIC1 Workshop Procedure amended**

When reading through this procedure I spotted that there was no mention of valve dismantling, cleaning and reassembly. Since we have now introduced this stage of the operation into the TIC1 I felt it necessary to update the procedure. This has been done and uploaded to the Instructor Resources folder for TIC1. Please ensure you download that version to give to the students on the course.

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## **New Appendices H & J for TIC1**

I have added Appendix H and Appendix J to the Dropbox Instructor Resources for the TIC1. These are two examples of Calibration Certificates. Appendix H is for a gauge that is 'in-tolerance' and Appendix J is for gauge that is 'out-of-tolerance'.

The idea is to give the students a copy of each after you have talked about calibration certificates and the information they contain and see if the students can identify whether the gauges have passed or failed.

At a recent TIC1 in Gozo, the students had no idea what the information was in the certificates until it was explained in some detail. They found examining these two appendices a very useful exercise; so hopefully will your students.

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## **Updated Visual Inspection Form (VIF)**

It is amazing how teaching on the courses and getting feedback from the students helps to improve the course content. The VIF has been updated with a Job No added to the header, Not-Go Thread boxes added to the cylinder and valve inspection sections. It was felt on one event that putting in these pieces of information, the record would be more detailed.

I have also added a Date line at the bottom so the centre knows when the unit was inspected; again, to improve record tracking.

## Replacement Wall Stickers available

I recently got a set of Training Centre Wall Stickers printed.

Steve at Sunderland Scuba Centre wanted to replace the ones on his van as they had got a bit worse for wear.

Steve and some of the others have been sent theirs because they asked for them or are new centres to the group.

If you would like a couple more replacements please let me know.

They are F.O.C.!!

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## IDEST Training Centres update

This is the current list of Training Centres:

- **Bristol Channel Diving Services, Cardiff. TC001**
- **M60 Scuba, Stockport. TC003**
- **Sunderland Scuba Centre, Sunderland. TC004**
- **C & R Testing, Sowerby Bridge. TC007**
- **D V Diving, Northern Ireland. TC009**
- **J M Scuba Services, Leicester. TC010**
- **Moray Firth Dive Centre, Moray. TC011**

Training Centres leaving since May 2019:

- **NONE**
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