PADI Texas Lone Star State Diver Distinctive Specialty Student Handout Developed by and Exclusively Taught by: Christopher C. DeClerk PADI Master Instructor 238976

1. Course Overview

- a. The purpose of the Texas Lone Star State Diver Distinctive Specialty is to encourage divers to explore the many exciting diving opportunities within the state of Texas.
- b. The objectives are that student divers will experience four different diving destinations within or bordering the state of Texas in the following ways:
 - i. Research and demonstrate knowledge of the destination.
 - ii. Successfully execute one dive per location noting at least three features such as aquatic life, natural formations, and man-made attractions unique to each site.

2. Course Requirements

- a. Research: The student diver will research (via the Internet, magazines, books, or interviews) and complete the attached worksheet for each of the four dive locations. For an updated link list of location suggestions visit: https://ocddivers.com/local-diving
- Dives: four dives conducted in locations each at least 25 miles apart, either under direct or indirect (on-site) instructor supervision.
 Depth and duration will be appropriate to the location but not to exceed certification limits of the student(s).
- c. Check the calendar frequently at https://ocddivers.com/calendar for dates/times/locations of open-water diving opportunities.
- d. For training purposes, three dives may be executed concurrently with dives for other specialty courses. One of the four dives must be unique to this specialty.

3. Dive procedures:

- i. Safety measures and appropriate equipment for the destination.
- ii. Pre-dive Safety Check (BWRAF).
- iii. An entry appropriate for the environment.
- iv. A tour of the underwater environment noting at least three underwater features unique to the site. These features can be aquatic life, natural formations, or man-made such as wrecks.
- v. Safety Stop.
- vi. exit appropriate for the dive destination.
- vii. Log the dive with notes of the underwater features to be signed by the instructor.

Student Name: _____ Instructor: Christopher DeClerk, PADI MI 238976 Site 1: _____ Dive and Knowledge Date: _____ By signing below I confirm the knowledge worksheet and dive for this location were both completed on the date above. Instructor: _____ Date: ____ Date: ____ Date: ____ Dive and Knowledge Date: By signing below I confirm the knowledge worksheet and dive for this location were both completed on the date above. Instructor: _____ Date: ____ Student: ____ Date: ____ _____ Dive and Knowledge Date: ____ By signing below I confirm the knowledge worksheet and dive for this location were both completed on the date above. Instructor: _____ Date: ____ Student: ____ Site 4: _____ Dive and Knowledge Date: _____ By signing below I confirm the knowledge worksheet and dive for this location were both completed on the date above. _____ Date: ____ Student: ___ _____ Date: ____ Instructor: Completion Certification Date: _____ By signing below, I confirm successful completion of all four knowledge development worksheets and dives in four locations, within the state of Texas or from a vessel launched from a Texas shore. The requirements for the PADI Texas Lone Star State Diver Distinctive Specialty have been met as of the date above. Instructor: Date: Student: Date:

PADI Texas Lone Star State Distinctive Specialty Student Completion Record

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| Destination: | • | | |
| The approximate time this s | ite was built if man | -made: | |
| When this site became a div | ve destination: | | |
| Historical human interaction | : | | |
| Aquatic life: | | | |
| Entry techniques: | | | |
| Special considerations: | | | |
| Student Statement: I affirm dive a destination in the Sta chosen for my Texas Lone States | te of Texas. This si | ite is one of my four locat | tions |
| Student Signature | Printed I | Name | Date |
| Instructor Verification: The k completed for this dive: | knowledge develop | ment requirements have | been |
| Signature: | Date: | Christopher DeClerl | k 238976 |

| PADI Texas Lone Star State Dive PADI Texas Lone Knowledge Developme | Star State Diver S | Student Handout | |
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| Destination: | | | |
| Planned Dive Date/Time: | | | |
| Entry location, open times, and sp | pecial requiremen | ts: | |
| Special safety measures for the d | live site: | | |
| Plan for transporting gear to the o | live site: | | |
| Appropriate entry and exit technic | ques: | | |
| Expected underwater features (ad | quatic life, natural | formations, and | man-made): |
| Student Statement: I affirm I have dive a destination in the State of chosen for my Texas Lone Star S | Texas. This site is | one of my four lo | ocations |
| Student Signature | Printed Name | | Date |
| Instructor Verification: The knowledge completed for this dive: | edge developmen | t requirements ha | ave been |
| Signature: | _Date: | Christopher De0 | Clerk 238976 |

PADI Texas Lone Star State Diver Student Handout Knowledge Development Worksheet for Location ____ of Four

| Destination: | | | |
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| The approximate time this site | e was built if man-r | nade: | |
| When this site became a dive | edestination: | | |
| Historical human interaction: | | | |
| Aquatic life: | | | |
| Entry techniques: | | | |
| Special considerations: | | | |
| Student Statement: I affirm I hadive a destination in the State chosen for my Texas Lone St | of Texas. This site | e is one of my for | ur locations |
| Student Signature | Printed N | ame | Date |
| Instructor Verification: The kn completed for this dive: | owledge developm | nent requirements | s have been |
| Signature: | Date: | Christopher | DeClerk 238976 |

PADI Texas Lone Star State Diver Student Handout Dive Planning Worksheet for Location ____ of Four

| Destination: | | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Planned Dive Date/Time: | | | |
| Entry location, open times, and s | pecial requireme | nts: | |
| Special safety measures for the o | dive site: | | |
| Plan for transporting gear to the o | dive site: | | |
| Appropriate entry and exit technic | ques: | | |
| Expected underwater features (a | quatic life, natura | al formations, and | man-made): |
| Student Statement: I affirm I have dive a destination in the State of chosen for my Texas Lone Star S | Texas. This site | is one of my four I | ocations |
| Student Signature | Printed Name | | Date |
| Instructor Verification: The knowledge completed for this dive: | edge developme | nt requirements h | ave been |
| Signature: | Date: | Christopher De | Clerk 238976 |

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| The approximate time this site | e was built if man-m | nade: | |
| When this site became a dive | destination: | | |
| Historical human interaction: | | | |
| Aquatic life: | | | |
| Entry techniques: | | | |
| Special considerations: | | | |
| Student Statement: I affirm I hadive a destination in the State chosen for my Texas Lone St | of Texas. This site | e is one of my for | ur locations |
| Student Signature | Printed Na | ame | Date |
| Instructor Verification: The known completed for this dive: | owledge developm | ent requirements | s have been |
| Signature: | Date: | Christopher | DeClerk 238976 |

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| Signature: | Date: | Christopher DeClerk 238976 |
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| Student Signature | Printed Name | Date |
| Student Statement: I affirm I I dive a destination in the State chosen for my Texas Lone St | of Texas. This site | • |
| Expected underwater feature | s (aquatic life, natura | al formations, and man-made): |
| Appropriate entry and exit ted | chniques: | |
| Plan for transporting gear to t | he dive site: | |
| Special safety measures for t | he dive site: | |
| Entry location, open times, ar | nd special requireme | ents: |
| Planned Dive Date/Time: | | |
| Destination: | | |

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| Destination: | | | |
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| The approximate time this site | was built if man-m | ade: | |
| When this site became a dive of | destination: | | |
| Historical human interaction: | | | |
| Aquatic life: | | | |
| Entry techniques: | | | |
| Special considerations: | | | |
| Student Statement: I affirm I had dive a destination in the State of chosen for my Texas Lone Sta | of Texas. This site | is one of my fou | r locations |
| Student Signature | Printed Na | me | Date |
| Instructor Verification: The kno completed for this dive: | wledge developme | ent requirements | have been |
| Signature: | Date: | Christopher I | DeClerk 238976 |

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| Entry location, open times, and s | pecial requireme | nts: | |
| Special safety measures for the o | dive site: | | |
| Plan for transporting gear to the | dive site: | | |
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