

ERD SUPERVISOR

The ERD Supervisor Course is to qualify the experienced emergency response divers to supervise emergency response diving teams. It also serves to develop leadership qualities as a prerequisite for ERDI Instructor.

Who this course is for:

An ERD certified public safety dive team member looking to advance in a supervisory role

An ERD certified public safety dive team member seeking skills and knowledge to assist an ERD Instructor

A public safety diver looking to maintain team standardization and safety in compliance with OSHA and NFPA guidelines

Course prerequisites:

Minimum age 18

Current CPR, first aid and oxygen administration certification

Proof of 50 public safety logged dives as a member of a recognized public safety dive team

Current medical examination for diving

What you can expect to learn:

Skills necessary to assist ERD Instructors as appropriate

OSHA regulations and NFPA guidelines

Anatomy of public safety diving accidents

Supervising and controlling divers in varying conditions

Cooperation with interagency operations

Interactions with bystanders, media, and victim's families

What's in it for you and your team?

Professional experience to assist in the supervision of operational calls

Standardization and safety and recovery procedures

Developmental tools to help maintain team

ERD Supervisor minimum requirements:

Watermanship skills:

800 metre swim with mask, fins, snorkel non stop

100 metre approach to a fully suited diver followed by 100 metre diver tow

15 minute survival float; last two minutes hands must be out of water

500 meter distance swim non stop

Response diving skills:

Recover a drowning victim demonstrating correct procedures for handling evidence recovery

Recover a small object demonstrating correct search pattern and awareness for evidence handling

Act as incident commander in compliance of NFPA 1561 and:

Assess and secure scene

Brief and deploy team

Supervise the recovery of small object, large object, victim recovery, and primary diver trouble

Supervise decontamination procedures

Debrief the team

Demonstrate ability to safely approach and provide assistance to panicked diver on the surface

Demonstrate ability to successfully complete a rescue of an inert diver from a depth of no more than 6 metre/20 feet in black water, or simulated black water

Leadership skills:

Assist with complete ERD I or ERD II course

Score minimum 80 percent ERD Supervisor written exam, with 100 percent remediation