

# Diving Instructor (Open Water)

ANZSCO: 452311

Group D

## About this document

- The following Information Sheet is for your reference only and should be used as a guide to assist with your Skills Assessment application to VETASSESS. This information is subject to change.
- Please note that a Skills Assessment of the qualification involves assessment of both the qualification level and content. Qualifications are assessed according to the guidelines published by the Australian Government Department of Education.
- The employment assessment involves determining the skill level and relevance of the tasks undertaken.
- Integrity checks may be conducted to verify the qualification and employment claims made in an application.

## Job description

Diving Instructor (Open Water) trains and instructs recreational or commercial open water divers in diving techniques, safety and the correct use of diving equipment.












## Occupations considered suitable under this ANZSCO code:

- Dive Master
- Scuba Instructor
- Snorkelling Instructor
- Surface Supply Breathing Apparatus (SSBA) Instructor

# Diving Instructor (Open Water) is a VETASSESS Group D occupation

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the educational level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Certificate III or IV.

Applicants can fulfil the assessment criteria for this occupation in one of four ways.

GROUP D	Criteria for a positive Skills Assessment				
Post-qualification Pathways					
	Minimum comparable Certificate III or IV or higher AQF level		With highly relevant major field of study		Highly relevant employment duration*
1	 Minimum AQF Certificate IV	+		+	 1 YEAR minimum
2	 Minimum AQF Certificate IV	+	No highly relevant major	+	 2 YEARS minimum
3	 Minimum AQF Certificate III	+		+	 3 YEARS minimum
Pre-qualification Pathway					
	Highly Relevant employment duration*				Minimum comparable Certificate IV AQF level
4	 3 YEARS minimum	+	 1 YEAR minimum	+	 Within last 5 years

\* Additional qualifications in a highly relevant field of study include those comparable to the following levels:

- > AQF Diploma
- > AQF Advanced Diploma
- > AQF Associate Degree or
- > AQF Graduate Diploma

\*If employment is prior to the completion of the qualification at the required level, an applicant must have at least one year of highly relevant employment at an appropriate skill level within the last five years. The remaining three years of pre-qualifying period may be within the last ten years.

A positive assessment of both qualification level and employment duration is required for a positive Skills Assessment outcome.

# Qualification

Highly relevant major fields of study include:

- Hyperbaric Operations
- Hyperbaric Operations (Diving Supervision)

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Certificate IV or higher and in a field highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

\*\*Professional certificates such as PADI (Professional Association of Diving Instructors) may be regarded as supporting evidence; they cannot, however, be assessed towards meeting the formal qualification requirements of this occupation as they are not generally comparable to the Australian Qualifications Framework.

## Employment Criteria

Highly relevant tasks include, but not limited to:

- Coaching, training and instructing divers by analysing performances and developing abilities

