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**STATEMENT OF STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Before attending the first class, students should do the following at home:
  - a. Watch the Open Water Video through Module Three.
  - b. Read and complete the Knowledge Reviews through Module Three.
  - c. Completely fill out the Student Record File, including the Student Profile; Emergency contact information; The Medical Statement; Divers Medical Questionnaire; Standard Safe Diving Practices Statement of Understanding; and Liability Release and Assumption of Risk Agreement. Note that the folder has two sides and the Medical Statement and releases are located on the inner portion of the folder. This folder is kept on file at the dive shop and is a permanent record of your dive training for certification.
  - d. **NOTE:** On the Diver's Medical Questionnaire, if you answer "yes" to any of the questions on the medical history, you are required to have your physician fill out and sign a form approving you for diving. You will be provided with an RSTC Medical Statement and Guidelines for Recreational Scuba Diver's Physical Examination that your physician must read and execute. **IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THIS DOCUMENT EXECUTED BY YOUR PHYSICIAN, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BEGIN ANY POOL WORK.** So that you are not behind in class, please ensure that you take these steps in plenty of time before your first class.
  - e. Be sure to bring the Crew Pack and it's contents to every class.
2. You will be required to do a 200 meter swim and a ten minute survival float. This may happen on the first evening or any time that the instructor feels it is appropriate.
3. After the first class, follow your instructor's directions on how to proceed with your video and book work.
4. Students must come prepared with a bathing suit, t-shirt and towel. The student is also responsible for providing or purchasing their own mask, fins and snorkel. We find that participants are much more comfortable in the pool with their own gear.
5. We understand that sometimes a change in scheduling may be necessary, and 24 hours notice would be appreciated, if you are unable to attend a scheduled class. Less than 24 hours notice, or missing a class will lead to a \$20 instructor fee charged to your account.
6. While the pool is heated, it is sometimes chilly. We will attempt to accommodate students with neoprene wet suits and have a limited supply in our rental gear. We cannot guarantee a perfect fit. Participants may wish to consider purchasing their own.
7. While we try to be flexible with scheduling, dates and times for the class may change at the discretion of the instructor. Both the student and instructor should do their best to accommodate each other's schedules. If you fail to show for class and need to be rescheduled for a private lesson you will be charged an additional instructor and pool fee.
8. **NOTE:** Students should be aware that, **if participants have not completed the requirements outlined in (1), above, the instructor reserves the right to reschedule the students to another class for their first knowledge development and confined water session.**
9. At the end of the confined water class the student has the option of completing the required check-out dives with Niagara Scuba Center or through referral to another dive center at a different destination. Please discuss these options and the costs involved with your instructor.
10. By signing this document you are verifying that you have read and understand these terms and that you agree to abide by them.

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Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date

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