



FACTSHEET 7 – Diving

Diver Training

WHS Regulations: Chapter 4 Part 4.8

The person has, through training, qualification or experience, acquired sound knowledge and skill in relation to the following:

- the application of diving physics;
- the use, inspection and maintenance of diving equipment (including emergency equipment) and air supply of the type to be used in the proposed general diving work;
- the use of decompression tables or dive computers;
- dive planning;
- ways of communicating with another diver and with persons at the surface during general diving work;
- how to safely carry out general diving work of the type proposed to be carried out; and
- diving physiology and first aid.

The meaning of relevant diving experience is described in Regulation 172 of the WHS Regulations.

Dive plans

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A dive plan must state the following:

- the method of carrying out the diving work to which it relates;
- the tasks and duties of each person involved in the dive;
- the diving equipment, breathing gases and procedures to be used in the dive;
- as applicable, dive times, bottom times and decompression profiles;
- hazards relating to the dive and measures to be implemented in the control of risks associated with those hazards; and
- emergency procedures.

Dive safety log

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The Dive Safety Log must include the following for each dive carried out by a worker:

- the name of the worker who carries out the dive and any other person with whom the dive is carried out;
- the name of the competent person appointed to supervise the dive;
- the date and location of the dive;
- the time each diver enters and leaves the water;
- the maximum depth of the dive;
- any incident, difficulty, discomfort or injury that occurs or is experienced during the dive;
- if the dive was carried out using a dive computer—the dive time;
- if the dive was carried out using dive tables—the repetitive dive group, if available, and either the bottom time or the dive time;
- if the repetitive group and surface interval result in a repetitive factor—the surface interval and the repetitive factor;
- if the dive is carried out using EANx – the oxygen content and the relevant maximum operating depth;
- if the dive is carried out using mixed gas – information on the oxygen and nitrogen content (if any), maximum and minimum operating depth.