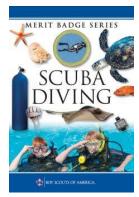
Guide to the Boy Scout SCUBA CERTIFICATION MERIT BADGE PROGRAM at the 2016 SPANISH TRAIL SCOUT CAMP in NW Florida



Our Boy Scouts of America program has joined forces with the PADI professional staff at Discovery Dive World to offer the *Scuba Merit Badge* at this summer's Spanish Trail Scout Camp! Scuba diving is an opportunity to learn an elite skill and develop a lifelong adventure hobby. With a training curriculum focused on safety, knowledge, and skills development, Scouts will earn the new Scuba Merit Badge as well as become a certified PADI open water diver (for life)!

Scouts must be at least 14 years old and must first complete the Swimming Merit Badge. Adults are welcome to join the course and earn their PADI certification card as well. To prepare your Scout to participate in the scuba merit badge program, we would like to go over some enrollment requirements.

The fee for the Scuba certification and Merit Badge is only **\$199!** (**\$208.95** if you choose to have the materials mailed directly to you). This is a \$399 retail value certification and is available exclusively to scouts at the first two weeks of this camp (20-24 Jun and 26 Jun–2 Jul, 2016). The fee includes training materials, dive gear, and instruction led by a staff of PADI professionals.

Three steps must be accomplished to participate...

- Register for the Spanish Trail Scout Camp. Scuba merit badges are available at the first or second week of the camp: 20-24 Jun or 26 Jun–2 Jul.
- Send completed Scuba registration form directly to Discovery Dive World. Forms must be
 postmarked by May 21st to <u>Discovery Dive World</u>, Attn: Scout Camp, 92 S. John Sims Pkwy,
 Valparaiso, FL 32580.
- Pay \$199 (or \$208.95 if you choose to have materials mailed to you) to Discovery Dive World. You can mail a check payable to Discovery Dive World or call with a credit card.
- A doctor's note *may* be required...If your Scout answers "yes" to any questions on the medical questionnaire, a doctor's note is required to allow participation in scuba diving activities. There are no exceptions to this requirement. If you answer "no" to all questions, no doctor's note is required.

Once your Scout's registration form is received, you will receive a welcome message acknowledging your registration and additional forms and instructions from Discovery Dive World. We encourage you to contact the PADI dive staff directly with any questions you may have regarding the Scuba camp program or any dive related questions. They can be reached at (850) 678-5001 or (800) 224-3483.



When Scouts arrive at the Spanish Trail Scout Camp, they will receive a Scuba Merit Badge orientation outlining the course requirements and scheduled events. All Scouts will receive a thorough academic review and hands-on orientation to scuba diving equipment. Then they will begin a progressive shallow-water skills development program that must be safely and successfully accomplished prior to the final and most exciting phase of training... four open water dives.

All training will be conducted under the direct supervision of a PADI professional dive instructor who will be your Scout's mentor and guide. All training will take place on the summer camp premises.

- 2016 Scuba Merit Badge Camp Dates: 20-24 Jun or 26 Jun-2 Jul (choose one).
- Note: availability is limited. Registrations will be accepted in the order received.
- Due to time requirements for the scout participants, other badges will not be available.
- Adults can receive scuba certifications as available. Adult Leaders are welcome to participate!
- Please contact your Troop Leader or Discovery Dive World for more information... Thanks!

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