

STEPS TO SCUBA CERTIFICATION

- Complete STUDENT FOLDER paperwork
 - If applicable, obtain a PHYSICIAN APPROVAL for SCUBA diving (if you answered 'YES' on your medical statement, a physician approval is **required** before ANY underwater participation). This form can be downloaded at:
http://bwpscuba.com/studentcenter/pdf/med_form.pdf

- Pass Swim Test

- Purchase training materials (textbook, dive table, and log book). Items should be available in the West Valley College bookstore.

- Purchase or acquire Personal Gear Package (Mask, Snorkel, Fins, Gloves, and Boots).
 - We recommend Any Water Sports. A flyer for their shop can be downloaded at:
http://www.bwpscuba.com/studentcenter/pdf/aws_flyer.pdf
 - You must use your own personal gear during pool training sessions. We want to figure out any gear problems before going to the ocean.

- Get fitted for your ocean SCUBA gear at a dive shop
 - West Valley College will provide SCUBA gear for pool training sessions. You will rent SCUBA gear for ocean training. The rental gear will consist of:
 - Regulator with SPG, Dive Computer, and a Compass
 - Buoyancy Compensator
 - Wetsuit w/ Hood or Hooded Vest
 - Weight Belt and Weights

- Complete ALL Study Guides and turn in on due dates (Chapters 1 – 7 and Dive Table worksheet). Study guides can be downloaded at:
<http://www.westvalley.edu/pe/mdep/mdepbeg.htm>

- Complete ALL in class quizzes (5 in total)

- Satisfactorily complete Pool Training Sessions and meet all requirements for Ocean Training participation

- Signup and pay for Ocean Training
 - Detailed payment instructions can be found:
<http://www.bwpscuba.com/studentcenter/howtopay.php>

- Complete Ocean Training dives (Minimum of four ocean dives and one skin dive required for certification)

- Pass written exam (80% or higher score required)