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Training Update

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As members of International Training, you have agreed to review all standards and procedures changes in Training Updates throughout the year. This is required reading for all TDI/SDI/ERDI Members. Please make any necessary revisions in your SDI/TDI or ERDI Instructor Manual upon reviewing this update. SDI/TDI/ERDI Manual Current Version is Revision 12.1, issued 02/15/2012

In this update:

SDI Standards & Procedures Update

TDI Standards & Procedures Update

ERDI Standards & Procedures Update

SDI Standards & Procedures Update:

► **Only minor edits have been made to SDI standards for this update, as follows:**

1. Parts 2-5: Added definitions for Assisted or Assisted by and Co-teach or 2nd Instructor to all levels of SDI standards.
2. Part 2 Diver page 2, #2.2
3. Part 3 Specialty page 3, #3.3
4. Part 4 Leadership page 2, #2.3
5. Part 5 Scubility page 3, #2.3
6. Part 6 Forms: page 26: Updated medical

TDI Standards & Procedures Update:

► **In this update, in addition to minor edits as detailed below, several new standards have been introduced at diver and instructor level:**

1. **Poseidon Discovery MK VI CCR.** Individual standards now exist for the Poseidon Discovery MK VI CCR from Air Diluent thru Mixed Gas at diver and instructor level.
2. **Helitrox Instructor and IT ratings.** A stand-alone Helitrox Instructor rating has been introduced. Previously, only active TDI Trimix instructors could teach the Helitrox Diver course. Now, the Helitrox Instructor rating is available to eligible non-Trimix instructors, upon completion of required training with an active Helitrox IT, for which a rating has also been introduced. All active Advanced Trimix ITs are automatically eligible for the Helitrox IT rating.
3. **Mine Diver Ratings.** Two levels of 'Mine Diver' have been introduced. These ratings are comparable with Intro to Cave and Full Cave and the training requirements are very



similar, with the addition of specific requirements for diving in man-made overhead environments. Dual certification for mines and caves is not available but a credit for cave training previously completed is permitted at the discretion of instructors. Minimum credentials for approval to teach Mine Diver Levels I and II are: Full Cave Instructor with a verifiable minimum of 30 Mine Dives. Eligible instructors must apply to the HQ training department and receive approval prior to teaching Mine Diving courses.

► **Standards changes including minor edits are as follows:**

1. Parts 2 and 3: Added definitions for Assisted or Assisted by and Co-teach or 2nd Instructor to all levels of TDI standards.
2. Part 4 Forms: page 17: Updated medical

► **Diver Standards**

1. Modified Poseidon Discovery MK VI Air Diluent CCR Diver Standard #29
2. Added Poseidon Discovery MK VI Air Diluent Decompression Procedures Diver Standard #30
3. Added Poseidon Discovery MK VI Mixed Gas CCR Diver Standard #31
4. Added Mine Diver Level 1 Standard #23
5. Added Mine Diver Level II Standard #24

► **TDI Leadership**

1. Added Helitrox Instructor Standard #10
2. Added Poseidon Discovery MK VI Air Diluent Instructor Standard #26
3. Added Poseidon Discovery MK VI Air Diluent Decompression Procedures Instructor Standard #27
4. Added Poseidon Discovery MK VI Mixed Gas Instructor Standard #28

ERDI Standards & Procedures Update:

► **In this update, in addition to minor edits as detailed below, new Ops Component standards have been introduced:**

1. Parts 1-4: Added definitions for Assisted or Assisted by and Co-teach or 2nd Instructor to all levels of ERDI standards.
 - Part 1 Introduction page 3, #3.3
 - Part 2 Diver page 1, #1.1
 - Part 3 Ops page 1, #1.1
 - Part 4 Leadership page 1, #1.2
2. Part 3 Ops:
 - Added Underwater Crime Scene Ops Standard #9
 - Updated Swift Water Level 1 Ops Standard #7
3. Part 5 Forms:
 - Page 16: Updated medical

The current versions of all standards are available on the SDI/TDI/ERDI Members' website available for immediate review and download.