

Summary of AUSIDIVE Age Requirements

Activity or Program:	Entry Age	Certification Age
Snorkel Swimming	8	N/A
Snorkel Diving	8	N/A
Snorkel Diver	10	14
Snorkel Guide	16	18
Snorkel Instructor	16	18
Free Diver	16	16
Scuba Experience	8	N/A
Scuba Adventure (Resort Diving)	12	N/A
Level I Scuba Diver (Supervised Scuba Diver)	12	N/A
Level II Scuba Diver (Open Water Scuba Diver)	14 (<i>Junior</i>)	18
Level III Scuba Diver (Advanced Scuba Diver)	16 (<i>Junior</i>)	18
Level IV Scuba Diver (Deep Scuba Diver)	16 (<i>Junior</i>)	18
Level V Scuba Diver (Rescue & Deep Diver)	16 (<i>Junior</i>)	18
Level VI Scuba Diver (Master Scuba Diver)	16 (<i>Junior</i>)	18
Scuba Area Orientation	N/A	N/A
Scuba Refresher	N/A	N/A
Scuba Assistant	16	16
Rescue Diver	14	14
Scuba Guide (Dive Master)	18	18
Assistant Scuba Instructor	18	18
Scuba Instructor	18	18

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Notes

1. AUSIDIVE Junior Divers must dive with a qualified parent or guardian, or an AUSIDIVE Guide or higher or approved equivalent, and must undergo re-evaluation as per the relevant AUSIDIVE Teaching Guidelines before being issued with a full AUSIDIVE Diver certification.

Summary of AUSIDIVE Ratios for Ideal Conditions (0115)

Activity or Program:	Student to Instructor Ratios (<i>with an assistant</i>)			
	Classroom or Briefing	Pool	Enclosed or Sheltered Water	Open Water
Snorkel Swimming, <i>see Note 1 below.</i>	24:1	16:1 (24:1)	16:1 (24:1)	8:1 (16:1)
Snorkel Diving, <i>see Note 1 below.</i>	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	8:1 (12:1)	8:1 (12:1)
Snorkel Diver, <i>see Note 1 below.</i>	12:1	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	8:1 (12:1)
Snorkel Guide	12:1	6:1 (12:1)	6:1 (12:1)	6:1 (12:1)
Snorkel Instructor, <i>see Note 2 below.</i>	12:1	6:1 (8:1)	6:1 (8:1)	6:1 (8:1)
Free Diver	12:1	4:1	4:1	4:1
Scuba Experience, <i>see Note 3 below.</i>	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	4:1 (6:1)	N/A
Scuba Adventure, <i>see Note 4 below.</i>	12:1	6:1 (8:1)	4:1 (6:1)	2:1 (4:1)
Level I Scuba Diver (Supervised Scuba Diver)	12:1	6:1 (8:1)	4:1 (6:1)	4:1 (6:1)
Level II Scuba Diver (Open Water Scuba Diver)	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	4:1 (8:1)	6:1 (8:1)
Level III Scuba Diver (Advanced Scuba Diver)	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	8:1 (12:1)	< 20m (66') 6:1 (8:1) > 20m (66') 4:1 (6:1)
Level IV Scuba Diver (Deep Scuba Diver)	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	8:1 (12:1)	4:1 (6:1)
Level V Scuba Diver (Rescue & Deep Diver)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Level VI Scuba Diver (Master Scuba Diver)	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	6:1 (8:1)	6:1 (8:1)
Scuba Area Orientation, <i>see Note 6 below</i>	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	6:1 (8:1)	As per relevant Level II, III or IV.
Scuba Refresher	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	6:1 (8:1)	As per relevant Level II, III or IV.
Scuba Assistant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rescue Diver	12:1	8:1 (12:1)	6:1 (8:1)	6:1 (8:1)
Scuba Guide (Dive Master)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Assistant Scuba Instructor	12:1	6:1	6:1	4:1
Scuba Instructor	12:1	6:1	6:1	4:1

Notes:

1. Assistants for snorkel swimming, snorkel diving and AUSIDIVE Snorkel Diver must be an:
 - a. AUSIDIVE Snorkel Guide or higher, or
 - b. Endorsed AUSIDIVE Scuba Guide or higher.
2. Assistants for AUSIDIVE Snorkel Instructor must be an endorsed AUSIDIVE Scuba Instructor or approved equivalent.
3. Assistants for AUSIDIVE Scuba Experience must be AUSIDIVE Scuba Guides or AUSIDIVE Scuba Assistant Instructors or approved equivalent.
4. AUSIDIVE Level I Scuba Instructors conducting AUSIDIVE Scuba Adventure cannot conduct dives in open water nor use an assistant to increase ratios and must decrease ratios to 2:1 when the water temperature is less than 24 degrees Celsius.
5. Assistants on AUSIDIVE Scuba Adventure and AUSIDIVE Scuba Diving Programs must be AUSIDIVE Assistant Scuba Instructors or higher or approved equivalent.
6. AUSIDIVE Scuba Guides conducting AUSIDIVE Scuba Area Orientation are restricted to 2:1 for all phases.