

# 2020 ICE DIVER



**Class/Equipment/Pool - Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> | Dives - Feb 29<sup>th</sup> & Mar 1<sup>st</sup>**

If the spirit of adventure and unusual, challenging diving appeals to you, try diving under the ice. During the course, you dive with a PADI Professional in one of the most extreme adventure specialties recreational diving offers.

### ***The Fun Part***

Explore the unique aquascape found only under ice. You can be one of the few that have ever dived under a solid ceiling of ice. Plus, imagine the look on your Divemaster's face on your next Caribbean trip when you flash your PADI Ice Diver certification! You might get a chance to play with your exhaled air bubbles on the bottom of the ice or an opportunity to try the unique sport of upside down, bottom of the ice, skiing. We do this every year and it's the best!!

### ***What You Learn***

You will complete a minimum of three ice dives for your certification. Dives are typically done as a group working with support personnel, divers, tenders, and safety divers. You are under the ice to learn to control buoyancy, navigate under the ice, and keep in contact with the lead diver and tenders via line pulls.

Specific skills and things you will learn include:

- To plan and organize ice dives
- Equipment considerations
- About site selection, preparation and hole-cutting procedures
- How to practice the procedures and techniques for handling the problems and hazards of ice diving
- To use specialized ice diving equipment, safety lines, signals, communications, line tending and line-securing techniques
- How to manage equipment problems
- About the effects of cold, emergency procedures and safety-diver procedures

***Prerequisites:*** PADI Advanced Open Water Diver Certification. Drysuits are required equipment.

***Cost:*** \$340 + accommodations (if dives in Tobermory) + equipment rental if required by individual divers.

This may include rental regs, stage tanks, h-valves or other equipment to ensure redundancy and safety.

### **Schedule:**

***Class & Equipment Prep :*** Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 9:00am - FNF Classroom

***Pool :*** Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 4:00pm (arrive for 3:15pm) - Wayne Gretzky Sports Complex

***Dive Weekend :*** Feb 28<sup>th</sup>-Mar 1<sup>st</sup> - Friday, Feb 28<sup>th</sup> is site prep day (highly recommended), while mandatory sessions are three (3) dives over two (2) days (Feb 29 & Mar 1) in Tobermory. Barrie is the alternate location.

Note : Rooms are already booked in Tobermory. Payment will be requested in advance once final costs are confirmed.