



Merimbula Divers Lodge

**Cost**      \$599-00 **FREE Mask, fins, Snorkel, Booties and  
FREE ONLINE THEORY! BONUS: FREE Club membership + 5 FREE  
single dive gear hires after the course.**

**Deposit:** \$150-00

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# Open Water Course

## Course Structure:

**DAY 1:**            Practical work in the pool as well as Theory revision, exam and other administration.

**Day 2 & 3:**      A series of five open water dives.



## About the Course:

1. The Open Water Course is designed to train divers to plan and conduct their own dives at depths down to 18m in conditions similar to that in which you are trained. The Open Water Course is the starting point for further diving qualifications. Students that successfully pass the exam and practical phase of the course are issued with a Certification Card which can be used all over the world as proof of their diving qualifications and experience.
2. The duration of the course is 3 days (four days if you want to do the theory in the classroom face-to-face with your instructor: extra charge applies).
3. You will be required to complete a dive medical questionnaire. Some people may be required to undergo an Australian Standard dive medical examination and have been certified 'Fit to Dive' before the beginning of the course. Please contact us for details and forms etc.
4. You need to be comfortable in the water and have basic swimming skills. You don't need to be an athlete, but you should be generally in good health. Mentally, you need a mature attitude and the self-discipline to follow the guide-lines and principles required for safe diving.
5. The minimum age for scuba certification is 10 for the Junior Open Water (adult supervised diving), and 15 for the Open Water Diver certification.
6. This certification shows that you successfully completed the course having met the training standards & requirements. Dive centres and resorts require a person to be a certified diver or in training before they will rent or sell you scuba equipment, fill scuba tanks for you, or let you participate in scuba activities.



## You can start learning to dive now...for free!

1. Go to our website: [www.merimbuladiverslodge.com.au](http://www.merimbuladiverslodge.com.au)
2. Click on the animated icon (about 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the way down the page)
3. Register for online training - **\*Online training works better with Firefox browser!**
4. Click the affiliation link in the email you will receive from SSI
5. In your own time, complete the on line learning theory for Open Water Diver.
6. Arrange your course dates with Merimbula Divers Lodge.

## **Why learn to dive with Merimbula Divers Lodge?**

1. Small class sizes
2. Unique Dive Sites – usually only 4 students on a course.
3. Courses year-round in heated pool.
4. Training recognised world-wide.
5. Good quality budget accommodation.
6. High quality School dive equipment
7. Gear wash & storage facilities
8. Onsite shop – The best quality dive gear available and a wide range of prices.
9. Gear hire – free gear hire for up to five dives after the course
10. Free club membership for one year after your course with discounts on gear hire, boat dives and accommodation and advanced courses.
11. Specialty courses, Advanced and Master Diver ratings
12. Programs for professional diver ratings – Dive Guide, Dive master, Dive Controller & Instructor