

## CLUB SAFETY CODE

Only members who have passed the membership qualification test will be allowed to participate in club dives. Guest must demonstrate his ability to the satisfaction of club officers present. Responsibility for guests rests upon the member who brings them.

Divers must dive in pairs on all club dives.

Divers must stay together at all times both underwater and on the surface. If contact between diving partners is lost, surface at once and re-establish contact. If partner fails to surface, sound alarm immediately (constant and rapid striking of a metal object beneath the surface) and continue until all divers have surfaced and are accounted for. If diver is missing, partner will remain on surface, all others start search immediately. Partner of missing diver will prepare resuscitube and summon aid.

All divers will wear an emergency flotation device.

There will be one float for every two divers, capable of supporting both.

A disaster kit, consisting of a resuscitube, regular first aid supplies, spare full tank of air for emergency use only, and whistle will be carried on all club dives.

A six foot length of line will be used between divers in waters of visibility less than three feet.

A snorkel must be worn by all divers during club dives.

Weight belts are to be used with protective suits only and put on last.

Masks with either plastic or colored lenses will not be allowed on club dives.

Exposure suits shall be worn in waters below 60° in temperature.

Use of rebreathers or homemade Scuba units shall not be permitted on club dives.

Fins shall be skin diving type--not low propulsion, cheap grade.

All hitches and buckles shall be prepared for quick release.

All air tanks shall be filled from a known, safe source.

All equipment shall be inspected by the diver's buddy prior to entry into water, for condition and proper wearing.

Eating of food (candy excepted) one hour before dive, and drinking of alcoholic or carbonated beverages 12 hours before dive shall be cause to prohibit any member from participating in club dive.

Any diver obviously not in physical or mental condition to dive shall be restrained from diving with the group by others present.

Any violation of above safety rules shall be cause for immediate revocation of club membership pending action by Club Board of Directors. Member shall appear before the Board of Directors to show cause why he shall not be dropped from membership.

Ice diving is not sanctioned by this club.