INTERNATIONAL DIVING SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION : TABLE OF EQUIVALENT DIVER TRAINING STANDARDS

References :
1. ADCI Consensus Standards Change 2, 2000
2. HSE List of approved qualifications April 1999
3 IDSA Diver Training Standards Revision 3 : 30 November 2006
4 IMCA International Code of Practice for Offshore Diving April 1998

	IDSA Level 1	**IDSA Level 2**	**IDSA Level 2A**	**IDSA Level 3**	**IDSA Level 3A**	**IDSA Level 4**
	SCUBA	**Restricted Surface Supply**	**Restricted Surface Supply (Without SCUBA)**	**Surface Supply**	**Surface Supply (Without SCUBA)**	**Closed Bell**
Depth Competence During Training	**30m**	**30m**	**30m**	**50m**	**50m**	**100m**
Australia (Note 4)	Part 1			Part 3		Part 4
Canada	Unrestricted SCUBA	Unrestricted SCUBA **Plus** Restricted Surface Supplied Diver	Restricted Surface Supply Diver	• Surface Supplied Mixed Gas Diver to 70m • Unrestricted Surface Supplied Diver to 50m **+** Unrestricted SCUBA	• Surface Supplied Mixed Gas Diver to 70m • Unrestricted Surface Supplied Diver to 50m	Bell Diver
Belgium		OOW - SYNTRA or OTS - CFPME				
Denmark	National SCUBA Diver			Surface Supplied Diver to 50m		
Finland	National SCUBA Diver	National Surface Supply Diver – 50m				
France	Class 1 Mention A or B	Class 1 Mention A		Class 2 Mention A		Class 3 Mention A
Holland	Certificate A			Certificate B		
Italy	OSS			OTS.BF		OTS.AF
New Zealand (Note 4)				Part 1		Part 2
Norway				NPD Surface Diver		NPD Bell Diver
South Africa	Class 4	Class 3		Class 2		Class 1
Sweden	Diver Certificate A	Diver Certificate B		Diver Certificate C Wet Bell 60m		
UK – Pre April 1998	HSE Part 4	HSE Part 3 **Plus** Task Training module		HSE Part 1		HSE Part 2
UK – Post April 1998 (Note 3)	HSE SCUBA	HSE SCUBA **Plus** HSE Surface Supply **Plus** Tools Training module.	HSE Surface Supply **Plus** a Tools Training module	HSE SCUBA **Plus** HSE Surface Supply **Plus** Tools Training module **Plus** Surface Supplied Top Up	HSE Surface Supply **Plus** Tools Training module **Plus** Surface Supplied Top Up	HSE Closed Bell
USA (Note 2)		American National Standard for Divers (ANSI/ACDE-01-1998)				

Notes **:**

1. Generally the high standards cover all those below, i.e. the award of IDSA Level 3 is conditional upon the diver having qualified Levels 1 & 2 previously.
2. Currently the Training Programmes of the members of the Association of Commercial Diving Educators (ACDE) meet the ANSI Standards, and students are eligible for IDSA certification once they have achieved the necessary authenticated in-water experience.
3. The Task Training Module must cover the requirements for Task Training contained in the IDSA Level 2 Standard.
4. Subject to confirmation

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