

DIVE-SAR®

Public Safety Diver training and certification, equipment, and support services

Public Safety Diver 4 - 'Current Diver' (PSD-4)

The PSD-4 'Current Diver' course is a 16 hour course for members of law enforcement, fire/rescue, harbor patrol, and lifeguard service dive teams who dive in 'moving' bodies of water such as rivers, streams, and areas with significant currents and tidal changes.

Working in 'moving water' can be extremely challenging, exhausting, and dangerous. PSDs working in 'moving water' environments really need to understand the risks, standard approaches and techniques for conducting searches, rescue, and recovery from moving water, as well as knowing when to say 'No Dive' or when to abort a dive.

This course covers common 'river'/swiftwater rescue terminology, how to assess potential hazards of moving water, how to estimate the speed of currents, 'safe zones' vs 'hazard zones', PSD gear configurations, anchoring options, actual diving searching and recovering items from moving water, and emergency procedures.

This course is intended as a two (eight hour) day course, but can be custom-scheduled in any combination of four-hour modules. 'Day 1' covers the classroom, equipment and 'dry land' practice portions of the course. 'Day 2' is spent diving in moving, open water practicing 'hands-on' skills needed when diving in moving water, including emergency procedures.

Our preference is to teach these courses within the region the students will be operating; or in environments that closely resemble where they will actually be working.

For further information on: course schedules, locations, pre-requisites for enrollment, tuition, etc. please contact Lead Instructor Josh Roten at:

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