

ALSAGER SUB-AQUA CLUB
BRANCH SAFETY RULES

- 1) Members of Alsager Sub-Aqua Club shall abide by The Rules of the BSAC, The Recommendations of the BSAC and these rules. The Diving Officer may act with discretion regarding BSAC recommendations. Administration of the club will be in accordance with its byelaws.
- 2) Divers in training (pre-Ocean Diver qualification) may only dive with a dive leader or above (or another dive agencies' equivalent). Diver training must be conducted by a qualified Instructor (the training officer or diving officer will advise on the current BSAC requirements).
- 3) Authorised branch dives require the prior knowledge and approval of the Diving Officer, as per BSAC recommendations. This includes the agreement of a suitably qualified dive marshal.
- 4) All dives must be notified to all ASAC members no later than 10.00pm on the Thursday prior to the dive (earlier if possible).
- 5) Training dives can only be arranged with prior agreement of the Diving Officer or Training Officer.
- 6) Logbooks are to be available for inspection on all branch dives.
- 7) An appropriate and effective surface marking or signalling device shall be used on all sea dives (e.g. Day-Glo hood, flag, SMB, etc.)
- 8) When traveling on branch boats, a flotation aid must be worn and suit zips fastened.
- 9) Only divers holding BSAC diver cox'n award will be allowed to cox the branch boat and must take a lookout.
- 10) Prior to boat dives the boat must be prepared and afterwards cleaned off according to agreed checklists/operating procedures.
- 11) Persons towing the branch boat must comply with towing laws
- 12) The branch compressor is to be operated by branch appointed operators only.
- 13) Members' recent diving records will be expected to demonstrate dive fitness to suit their intended diving activity.
- 14) A dive sheet detailing the diving activities of each individual diver must be handed to the Diving Officer as soon as possible after an expedition is completed.

POOL DISCIPLINE

- 15) Swimmers must not enter training lanes, and divers must not enter swimming lanes.
- 16) Weight belts must be covered to prevent damage to the tiles.
- 17) Swimmers and snorkelers must not breathe from SCUBA.
- 18) No one may enter the pool without a pool marshal being present
- 19) All pool users must obey the pool's regulations.
- 20) Try dives: the instructor should ensure disclaimer forms are signed, and fees paid.

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