



Dive Planning Checklist

Advance Planning

- Dive buddy(s) _____
- Date and time (check tide tables) _____
- Dive objective _____
- Location _____
- Alternate location(s) _____
- Directions _____

- Meeting place and time _____
- Any special or extra gear needed _____
- Precheck of weather and water conditions _____

Preparation

- Cylinder(s) filled
- Equipment inspected
- Equipment marked (ID)
- Spare parts inventoried
- Weights adjusted
- Equipment packed
- Transportation arranged
- Obtain information on new location
- Get local emergency contact information

Last Minute

- Make sure you are healthy, rested and nourished.
- Have a good, confident feeling about the dive.
- Check weather and water conditions.
- Pack food, snacks, drinks.
- Leave dive plan information with someone not going.
(dive site, expected return time, what to do if you do not report back by agreed time, etc.)
- Be sure you have
 - Tickets
 - Swimsuit
 - Other _____
 - Money
 - Towel
 - Medications
 - Jacket
 - Directions
 - Sunglasses

Pre-Dive Planning

- Evaluate conditions decide whether or not to dive.
- Locate and check nearest communications (telephone, radio).
- Select entry/exit points, alternates, methods.
- Discuss buddy system techniques.
- Agree on
 - Pattern or course for the dive
 - Limits for the dive (depth, time, minimum air)
 - Emergency procedures

Problems? Call _____ or _____