



Tripartite Alliance for  
Workplace Safety and Health

### List of Acceptable Commercial Diving Certifications

Country / Accreditation	CSCUBA (30m)	CSSDE (30m)	Offshore (50m)
<b>Divers</b>			
Australia (ADAS)* In-house training certificates are not recognised unless trainees also received an ADAS card upon completion	Occupational <a href="#">SCUBA to 30m</a> (previously, ADAS Part 1)	Occupational <a href="#">SSBA to 30m</a> (previously, ADAS Part 2)	Occupational <a href="#">SSBA to 50m</a> (previously ADAS Part 3)
Canada (DCBC)*	Unrestricted SCUBA	Restricted Surface Supply	Unrestricted Surface Supply & above
France (INPP)*	Class I Mention A – (Occupational SCUBA to 30m)	Class II Mention A – (Surface Supply to 50m)	Class II Mention A (Surface Supply to 50m) & above
Malaysian (CIDB)*	Construction Diver Level 1	Construction Diver Level 2	N/A
Norway (PSA)*	N/A	Diving Certificate Class III – Advanced Underwater Work	Diving Certificate Class I – Surface Orientated Diver
Singapore (MOM)	CSCUBA Diver	SSDE Diver	N/A
South Africa (DOL)*	Class IV Diver (SCUBA)	Class III Diver (SSDE)	Class II Diver (SSDE)
United Kingdom (HSE) pre 1998*	HSE part 4	HSE part 3	HSE part 1
United Kingdom (HSE) post 1998*	HSE SCUBA	HSE Surface Supply	HSE Surface Supply (Top Up) & above
ADCI*	Inland / Inshore Diver (need to be supplemented with any certification in the List of Acceptable Commercial Diving Certifications)		ADCI surface supplied diver certificates bearing the words “INTERNATIONAL ENDORSEMENT”
IMCA* approved training member	N/A	N/A	IMCA Surface Supplied Diver

<b>Diving Supervisors</b>			
<b>Country / Accreditation</b>	<b>CSCUBA (30m)</b>	<b>CSSDE (30m)</b>	<b>Offshore (50m)</b>
Australia (ADAS)* In-house training certificates are not recognised unless trainees also received an ADAS card upon completion	Onshore Diving Supervision SCUBA to 30m (previously, ADAS Part 1)	Onshore Diving Supervision SSBA to 30m (previously, ADAS Part 2)	Offshore Diving Supervision – SSBA to 50m (previously, ADAS Part 3 / Offshore Air/Bell)
Canada (DCBC)*	Onshore Supervisor		Offshore Air/Saturation Diving Supervisor
Malaysian (CIDB)*	Onshore SCUBA Supervisor	Onshore SSBA Supervisor	N/A
Singapore (MOM)	CSCUBA Supervisor	SSDE Supervisor	N/A
Association of Diving Contractors – ADC UK*	Surface-Supplied Air Diving Supervisor (need to be supplemented with any certification in the List of Acceptable Commercial Diving Supervisor Certifications)		N/A
ADCI*	Surface-Supplied Air Diving Supervisor (need to be supplemented with any certification in the List of Acceptable Commercial Diving Supervisor Certifications)		N/A
IMCA*	N/A	N/A	IMCA Offshore Air Diving Supervisor & Mix Gas Bell Diving Supervisor

**NOTE\*:** The WSH Act requires employers and principals to ensure that workers performing commercial diving activities are provided with sufficient instructions, information, training and supervision as is necessary for them perform their work. While divers may possess overseas diving qualifications that are recognised, the employer/principal needs to ensure that local requirements in the WSH Act, relevant industry standards such as the SS511 Code of Practice for Diving at Work are complied with. Some of these local requirements can be taken in reference from section 2.1.1 Legislation and Standards (CD-CCD-100A-0) of the Commercial Diving Competency Standard ([Link](#)).

#### **Abbreviations:**

<b>ADAS</b>	Australian Diver Accreditation Scheme	<b>CTAG</b>	Curriculum, Training and Assessment Guide
<b>DCBC</b>	<i>Diver</i> Certification Board of Canada	<b>CSCUBA</b>	Commercial Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus
<b>DOL</b>	Department of Labour	<b>SSDE</b>	Surface Supplied Diving Equipment
<b>INPP</b>	Institut National de Plongée Professionnelle	<b>MOM</b>	Ministry of Manpower
<b>HSE UK</b>	Health and Safety Executive (United Kingdom)	<b>ADC UK</b>	Association of Diving Contractors
<b>ADCI</b>	Association of Diving Contractors International	<b>PSA</b>	Petroleum Safety Authority
<b>IMCA</b>	International Marine Contractors Association	<b>CIDB</b>	Construction Industry Development Board