WRECK DIVING

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4. When dealing with commercial charter boats, divers should verify that the captain is licensed, and that the vessel is certified for:

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- A. Only its construction
- B. The vessel's identity, history and construction type
- C. the size of the wreck
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- A. 30 meters
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8. Before diving the wreck, you must know:

- A. Depth and average visibility
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- C. If the wreck is intact or scattered
- D. Is there any surge or current

9. Wrecks can be classified into three categories. These are:

- A. Steel, wood and synthetic
- B. Deep, average and shallow
- C. Artificial, contemporary and historic
- D. No answer is correct

10. The steel and iron often found in wrecks can affect your:

- A. Compass reading
- B. Buoyancy
- C. Vision
- D. Judgment

11. It is your responsibility to determine whether or not your skill level and equipment are adequate for:

- A. The water temperature only
- B. The level of difficulty the wreck dive poses
- C. The expected visibility only
- D. The expected currents only

12. The preferred anchoring procedure on a wreck is:

- A. Use a grappling hook
- B. Use a mooring or to anchor off-site
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13. Regarding wreck dives: you should wear an exposure suit for:

- A. Warmth and protection
- B. Deep wreck dives only
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17. To better enhance the wreck diving experience, divers should use other special skills like:

- A. Navigation
- B. Night and limited visibility diving
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18. Divers can enhance their knowledge of shipwrecks by working with:

- A. The Coast Guard
- B. The government
- C. All dive shops
- D. The scientific community

19. The penetration of ANY wreck without proper training, skills, equipment and experience is:

- A. Advisable
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- C. Permitted if shallower than 20 meters
- D. Allowed even for novices, if they have a buddy

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- A. Access both pieces at the same time
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- A. Limited space
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