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## Huntington Lake VFD Dive Team Member:

### Dive team members must fulfill all the requirements of a boat crew personnel who must be able to demonstrate proficiency with:

- Rescuing the patient from land or water
- Stabilizing the patient using “First Responder” skills: ABC’s (Airway, Breathing, Circulation, severe bleeding)
- Administering oxygen to the patient as needed
- Applying Cervical Spine stabilization collars, properly belting patients to a backboard and securing them in the fireboat
- Monitoring patients during transport to the ambulance
- Transferring the patient from the fireboat to the ambulance or Rescue 62
- Assisting ambulance personnel with patient transport
- Restocking medical supplies for the next call
- Making sure that the fireboat is always ready for an emergency
- Be trained and remain familiar with radio & phone communication & protocols (USFS, Medical Control at the base hospital, CAL FIRE, Scout Camp radios)
- Completing Patient Care Reports (PCR) for calls

### Boat crew and divers will

- pass a criminal records check
- pass the first responder course and have a current BLS or Professional Rescuer CPR card
- attend annual training sessions for first responder, CPR, and the fireboat.
- remain in compliance with all HLVFD standard operating guidelines.

### Huntington Lake VFD high altitude divers, must also:

- Be a career member released from probationary status
- Maintain certification as an advanced open water diver by an approved national certification agency (PADI, NAUI, SSI) or PSD from Dive Rescue International
- Maintain proficiency in Public Safety Diver operations and training.
- Be in good health & pass an annual department physical specific to dive team members.

Meet minimum dive team standards annually in Physical ability and SCUBA basics. These standards shall meet the current recommendations in NFPA 1670/1006 and shall be made available to the divers from the Water Rescue Coordinator.

Members shall only dive at the level to which they have been trained

Divers shall keep a log of all dives, training or otherwise.

Divers shall log a minimum of 8 dives (at least 6 in local open water) per calendar year.

### **Department divers must also possess the knowledge/ability**

of the specific dangers associated with high altitude dive operations to recognize and manage dive related maladies and illnesses.

to assemble and check for use, all dive related equipment.

be familiar with the use and re-filling of nitrox gas mixes for specific altitudes

to communicate with divers via rope or mobile communication equipment.

Knowledge of physics and physiology as it relates to dive rescue.

Ability to use dive tables safely.

Ability to perform standard search patterns with the assistance of Surface personnel.

Ability to recognize and manage dive related maladies and illnesses, including psychological and physiological stress.

### **Special Considerations**

During any dive that places the diver in a confined area (i.e. vehicle search, ice, etc.) the incident commander should take all confined space procedures into consideration. In addition, any time a diver enters such a space the back up diver shall deploy and stage at the entry point. The 90% diver then becomes the surface backup diver. Such dives will only be preformed by qualified divers and only when at least 3 qualified divers make up the response team. When possible, these dives should only be made by divers that are qualified confined space technicians.

Diving in any current over 1 knot should be considered moving water diving and should only be performed by trained personnel. Any moving water diving should be handled from a boat platform only and not from a shoreline. Diving should not be considered an option in water moving more than 2 knots.

Extrication should not be preformed during dive operations. The equipment weight and extra lines present too many entanglement hazards to warrant the attempt. Unless the victim can be pulled free easily, the vehicle should be towed to the surface for extrication.

Dives of 60' or deeper shall only be made by qualified personnel and only when 3 such personnel make up the response team. Standard dive tables shall be followed and divers shall not exceed the no decompression limits.