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Rules to Safely Dive Artificial Reefs in Destin-Fort Walton Beach

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1. NEVER DIVE BEYOND YOUR TRAINING

- ✓ Make sure your **CERTIFICATION, EXPERIENCE, and EQUIPMENT** align with the wreck you plan to explore.
- ✓ **NEVER ENTER A WRECK UNLESS YOU ARE TRAINED + EQUIPPED TO DO SO.**
- ✓ **ALWAYS** review your training and review certifications with your dive operator or guide.

2. PLAN YOUR DIVE, DIVE YOUR PLAN

- ✓ Use **ODIGTML** to plan your dives.
 - Oxygen
 - Decompression
 - Inert Gas Narcosis
 - Gas Management
 - Thermal Exposure
 - Mission
 - Logistics
- ✓ Ensure you always have an emergency action plan + discuss site specific details with your dive guide.

3. BE HONEST + INVOLVED

- ✓ **LEAVE NO QUESTIONS UNASKED.** If you have any doubts or are unsure of anything, **ASK.**
- ✓ **REMEMBER: ANY** dive can be called by **ANY ONE** at **ANYTIME.** Feeling comfortable is the foundation of a safe dive.

4. EQUIPMENT CHECK

- ✓ Review what equipment you will need and pack accordingly. If you don't **NEED** it, **DON'T** bring it.
- ✓ You **MUST** be as familiar with your dive buddies equipment as you are your own.

5. COMMUNICATE + STAY CLOSE

- ✓ Review hand signals with your buddy **BEFORE** your dive. Complete a Pre-Dive Buddy Check + keep clear visual contact throughout the dive.
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