



National Academy of Scuba Educators (NASE Worldwide) Press Release

Dear NASE Member,

Here at NASE Worldwide Headquarters, we understand that during these challenging times, there may be questions about the widespread outbreak of COVID-19. We also know it is affecting the dive communities and industry all over the world. We hope that you are putting your health and the health of others first. The following will hopefully answer your questions.

First and foremost, if you have not already done so, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (COVID-19) for information about the outbreak. Second, make sure you are following any guidelines your local government has issued. Third, we recommend that you establish a business prevention and preparedness guide, so all your students know what the plans are and what the backup plans will be if you need to reschedule. Also, while on the CDC.gov website it might be best to download and post up their resource posters.

During these times NASE Worldwide asks that if you can and decide to continue to operate, that; 1) You are vigilant at keeping all rental gear sanitized at all times. 2) While on the surface everyone in the class maintains 6 feet from one another. 3) Re-sanitize after pre-dive buddy checks. 4) We are also for a temporary time asking that during the Shared Gas Using an Alternate Air Source Scenario that we use a simulate procedure.

The following is the temporary simulating procedure for Shared Gas using an alternate air source. 1) The receiver will signal out of air; the Donor will acknowledge. 2) The Donor will take the regulator out of their mouth, began blowing bubbles, and hold their regulator in front of Receiver 3) The Receiver will then take the regulator out of their mouth and start to blow bubbles, at this time Donor will locate personal octo, insert it in their mouth and purge. 4) After 3 Sec of blowing bubbles Receiver will place their regulator back in their mouth acting as if it was their buddy's regulator and purge. 5) Both Donor and Receiver will signal they are each okay and continue to breathe this way for 6 sec. 6) To finish Receiver will simulate giving regulator back, by taken regulator out of the mouth for 3 sec blowing bubbles then replacing it into their mouth and purging. 7) The Donor will then replace their octo regulator for the primary regulator, making sure to blow bubbles while switching regulator and purge. 8) Both Donor and Receiver will signal okay to each other, then to the instructor. 9) At this point, students will switch roles and run the scenario again.

If you have any questions or concerns about this outbreak, the letter, or temporary change in Shared Gas Scenario. Please contact Richard, at NASE Worldwide HQ 888-903-6273.

Sincerely,

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