



Avery Point Scuba Club Gear Usage Guidelines

Please use the following guidelines when borrowing club gear.

Buoyance Control Devices (BCDs):

Pre-Dive:

- Check straps and buckles for signs of wear and tear
- Once inflator hose is attached to regulator (and cylinder), check that the inflator is not stuck and there are no air leakages

Post-Dive:

- Rinse the BC in fresh water as soon as possible (allowing it to soak won't hurt it either)
- Be sure to remove/wash away any tag-a-longs (sand, seaweed, etc)
- Leave a little air (you may need to orally inflate it) inside the BC, this will allow the inside to properly dry

Regulators:

Pre-Dive:

- Check the mouthpieces and hoses for cracks and/or tears
- Once connected to the cylinder, take a breathe from both the second stage and the octopus to ensure proper air flow; keep an eye on the SPG to make sure it does not jump around when you breathe in
- Check second stage and octopus purge buttons to ensure they don't stick

Post-Dive:

- Ensure the first stage dustcap is secured before washing in freshwater
- Be sure to thoroughly rinse the mouthpieces

Cylinders:

Pre-Dive:

- Check the hydrostatic test date (a good habit to have when renting gear), it should be within the last five years
- Check the visual inspection date, it should be within the last year
- Check o-ring for any cracks or tears

Post-Dive:

- Rinse with freshwater

Exposure Suit:

Pre-Dive:

- Check for rips or tears

Post-Dive:

- Rinse with freshwater, being sure to ring both the inside and outside (allowing it to soak is okay)

***Please allow gear to thoroughly dry before returning**

I, _____, have read and understand the rules and guidelines for maintaining the Avery Point Scuba Club gear; I will alert a club officer if I find any problems with a piece of gear.

Signature: _____

Date: _____