



## North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores Volunteer Dive Program Information

The Aquarium offers certified SCUBA divers a unique and rewarding underwater experience. Volunteer divers inside the 306,000-gallon *Living Shipwreck* converse with visitors about the many animals gliding around a replica of the *U-352*, a famous World War II shipwreck. Volunteer divers also assist with other programs underwater, as well as help care for the animals and maintain the exhibits. More information can be found on the Pine Knoll Shores Volunteer Page of the Aquarium's website - [www.ncaquariums.com](http://www.ncaquariums.com).

### **Some of the requirements to apply and participate as a Volunteer Diver:**

- 1) Must be a SCUBA diver, certified by a nationally recognized certification agency (an advanced certification with 20 logged dives is preferred).
- 2) Must be willing to volunteer a full day (9 AM – 4 PM) once every two weeks, with a minimum commitment of one year.
- 3) Must be at least 18 years old, physically active, and in good health.
- 4) Must submit a medical history questionnaire, sign provided waiver, and pass the NC Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores medical exam for diving.
- 5) Must be certified in CPR/First Aid and pass swimming skills test.
- 6) Must be willing to supply an Aquarium dive team wetsuit.
- 7) Must be team-oriented and willing to take direction.
- 8) Must have basic knowledge of marine life and be willing to learn about the Aquarium's exhibits and collection.
- 9) Must be willing to dive with large marine animals, including sharks.
- 10) Must be willing to perform general underwater cleaning duties, interact with the public, and participate in public presentations.

If you have any questions, please contact the Aquarium's Dive Safety Officer, Steve Broadhurst at [steve.broadhurst@ncaquariums.com](mailto:steve.broadhurst@ncaquariums.com). If you are interested in joining our team, please fill out an application and return it to the Aquarium. We look forward to hearing from you!

