



Certification Services

Mailing address: PO Box 5350 Stn Terminal, Vancouver BC V6B 5L5
Phone 604.276.3090 | 1.888.621.7233 | Fax 604.279.7494 | worksafebc.com

March 24, 2020

Dear Medical Examiner:

RE: COVID-19 update on WorkSafeBC Diving Medical Certificates

Please find the attached VP Directive in response to the CoVid-19 situation with respect to ongoing medical examinations of divers for medical certificates.

All divers who currently hold a valid WorkSafeBC Diving Medical Certificate (MC) expiring on or before June 1st, 2020 may continue to dive until August 1st 2020 when examination can resume. Please note that this date may change depending on the changing public health situation. Further notice would be posted at that time.

Please note that exceptions to this includes any diver who is returning to work after hyperbaric treatment or significant illness, or injury. These divers, as normally should occur, still need to be assessed for and cleared to return to diving.

Furthermore, no medical examinations for new diving medical certificates will be conducted until at least May 1st, 2020 or changes in public health recommendations.

Please contact me with any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S.E. Martin".

Dr. S.E. (Steve) Martin MD BSc (H) MSc.OH CCFP(SEM) FCBOM DipSportExerMed
Medical Adviser-Certification Services-Medical Fitness to Dive
& Occupational Disease Services
1-250-704-4226
worksafebc.com