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Käsitlusala: This European Standard specifies requirements for service providers in the field of recreational scuba diving. It specifies three areas of service provision: - training and education, - organised and guided diving for certified divers, - rental of diving equipment. Service providers may offer one or more of these services. This European Standard specifies the nature and quality of the services to the client and applies only to contractual provision of those services.	Scope: This European Standard specifies requirements for service providers in the field of recreational scuba diving. It specifies three areas of service provision: - training and education, - organised and guided diving for certified divers, - rental of diving equipment. Service providers may offer one or more of these services. This European Standard specifies the nature and quality of the services to the client and applies only to contractual provision of those services.
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Foreword

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Introduction

The European Standards relating to recreational diving services have been prepared by CEN/TC 329/WG 3 "Recreational Diving Services", with the aim of establishing a series of specifications for safety practices and the provision of services.

Therefore these standards specify:

- necessary levels of experience and competency of scuba divers and scuba instructors,
- safety practices and requirements for recreational scuba diving service providers appropriate to the different diving levels.

In any case, they cannot substitute for nor impose upon legal requirements, the alteration of which is outside the competence of the CEN/CENELEC members.

The series of European Standards relating to recreational diving services comprises the following standards:

EN 14153-1:2003, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba divers - Part 1: Level 1*

EN 14153-2:2003, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba divers - Part 2: Level 2*

EN 14153-3:2003, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba divers - Part 3: Level 3*

EN 14413-1:2004, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba instructors - Part 1: Instructor*

EN 14413-2:2004, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba instructors - Part 2: Instructor*

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Standardization is important for recreational activities, such as diving, for which training and experience are essential for the participants to be able to carry out the activity safely. Although recreational diving is potentially hazardous, the risks to the participants can easily be reduced to acceptable levels by the adoption of appropriate precautions.

The standards in the above listed series specify three levels of diver training and certification, and two levels of instructor training and certification. The present standard specifies performance requirements for the service provider, commonly known as the "dive centre".

A service provider can offer diver training and education, guided dives and rental of diving equipment, and can offer courses leading to one or more of the diver or instructor qualifications specified in EN 14153-1, -2 and -3, and EN 14413-1 and -2 respectively. The present standard specifies requirements for each of these services separately. Thus, although a client might be provided with two services at the same time, for example diver training and rental of diving equipment, the client is considered to be in receipt of two distinct services.

Service providers may often supply compressed breathing gases. This service is not covered in this European Standard as it is covered by European legislation.

The present standard for service providers has a key role in this series of standards as it specifies requirements that are common to the provision of training and certification of divers and instructors as specified in the other standards in the series.

It is important to note that the standards in this series specify only requirements that the instructor or the service provider ought to fulfil. It is not possible for a standard to place requirements upon the recipient of a service.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies requirements for service providers in the field of recreational scuba diving.

It specifies three areas of service provision:

- training and education,
- organised and guided diving for certified divers,
- rental of diving equipment.

Service providers may offer one or more of these services. This European Standard specifies the nature and quality of the services to the client and applies only to contractual provision of those services.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 14153-1, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba divers - Part 1: Level 1 – Supervised Diver*

EN 14153-2, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba divers - Part 2: Level 2 – Autonomous Diver*

EN 14153-3, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba divers - Part 3: Level 3 - Dive Leader*

EN 14413-1:2004, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba instructors - Part 1: Level 1*

EN 14413-2, *Recreational Diving Services - Safety related minimum requirements for the training of recreational scuba instructors - Part 2: Level 2*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

service provider

entity (individual or organisation), including any individual acting on behalf such an entity, which offers one or more of the following services:

- training and education,
- organised and guided diving for certified divers,
- rental of diving equipment.

3.2

client

individual or group entering into a contract with a service provider for services for his or their own use