

JEFFREY SECKENDORF • DIVE Curriculum Vitae

Jeff learned to dive in 1990 in preparation for assisting with a series of underwater filmmaking workshops in the Caribbean. He went on to dive extensively in the warm waters around the Virgin Islands and the [very] cold waters of upstate New York lakes. In 2008, after a long career in the film industry, Jeff co-founded Unified Team Diving, a global Scuba training and certification agency and Scuba equipment manufacturer.

In 2020 Jeff purchased UTD, renamed it UTD Scuba Diving, LLC, and separated the company from UTD Equipment. Jeff sold UTD Scuba Diving in 2025 but remains as an active UTD instructor, instructor trainer, and consultant.

Jeff has traveled the world as a diver: Egypt, Spain, Italy, France, Mexico, Dubai, the Caribbean, and domestically in all four corners of the U.S. He's been in the caves in Mexico, Florida, and Europe, is trained on the MX-Series of rebreathers, and is a UTD Instructor Trainer.

Jeff has been teaching adults all his life. He spent two decades as master faculty at the Maine Media Workshops and the Rockport College and eight years as the owner of One On One Film Training, a mentoring/consulting company training emerging film directors. Jeff is a Certificated Flight Instructor and spent many years teaching and competing in competition aerobatics. He currently races a bicycle on the road and track at the national level.

DIVING EXPERIENCE

Total dives (approx)	5000
Total doubles dives (approx)	2000
Total decompression dives (approx)	300
Total rebreather dives (approx)	150
Total cave dives (approx)	100
Total scientific dives (approx)	150

INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATIONS

NAUI and NAUI Tec Instructor, 2007 (inactive)
UTD Foundational Instructor, 2008
UTD Technical Instructor, 2009
UTD Side Mount Instructor, 2010
UTD Instructor Trainer, 2010
UTD Technical Gas Blender/Instructor, 2010
UTD Cylinder and Valve Technician/Instructor, 2010
UTD Instructor Trainer Trainer, 2011
UTD Scientific Diving Instructor, 2011
Handicapped Scuba Association Inst, 2012 (inactive)
UTD Public Safety Diving Instructor, 2013

DIVING CERTIFICATIONS

PADI Open Water Initial Certification, 1990
PADI Advanced Diver 2005
IANTD Nitrox, 2006
IANTD Rescue, 2007
IANTD Deep, 2007
NAUI Tec Helitrox, 2007
NAUI Tec Decompression Techniques, 2007
NAUI Technical Gas Blender, 2007
UTD mCCR Rebreather Diver 1 and 2, 2010
UTD Cave Diver 1 and 2, 2011
First Aid/CPR/O2/AED, recurrent
PSI Cylinder and Valve Inspector, inactive



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Jeffrey Seckendorf • Dive Resume Addendum



Leadership Roles at Unified Team Diving

Co-Founder and Former CEO/Owner
Co-Author of UTD Standards and Procedures
Manager of Training
Manager of UTD Scuba Coaching Program
Manager of Online Education
Manager of the UTD Instructor Corps
Manager of Instructor Candidate Training Program
Project Leader/Designer, UTD Online Education System

Co-Author (Books)

UTD Student and Diver Procedures Manual
UTD Instructor Playbook
UTD Open Water Diver
UTD Essentials of Recreational Diving
UTD Essentials of Technical Diving
UTD Essentials of Scientific Diving
UTD Technical Diving
UTD Zuba Diving
Scubatics Underwater Competition

Editor, Publisher, Writer

“The UTD Scuba Diving Podcast,” 2020 to present, Host and Producer.

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/utd-scuba-diving-podcast/id1506059865>

“The UTD Journal” Online Monthly Magazine, 2013 to 2017, Editor

<http://www.UTDscubadiving.com/page/UTD-journal>

Speaking Engagements

UMHS ORCA Project, 2022 – The Secret to Teaching Human Factors in Scuba Diving

DEMA, 2023, 2022 and 2021 – UTD Scuba Coaching, Obscure Questions Live

DEMA, 2017 – The End of Independent Doubles

Various Dive Clubs Talks:

Gas Planning, Nitrox Physiology, Proper Weighting, Side Mount Diving, Scuba Coaching

MISC.

Certificated Flight and Instrument Instructor

Road and Track Cyclist:

San Diego Velodrome Hour Record 2021 (age group)

World 6-Hour Time Trial Championships Course Record Holder 2020 and 2022 (age group, fixed gear).

USA Cycling Level 3 Coach

Cross Country Skier, Big Mountain Trekker

Rock and Ice Climber (former)

Director and Director of Photography on over 1000 TV Commercials,

Feature Films, TV Movies, Music Videos, and Documentaries.

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Jeffrey Seckendorf • Areas of Expertise

- Scuba Certification and Training Agency Standards
- Recreational and Technical Diving Standards
- Recreational and Technical Diving Certification and Training Curriculum
- Instructor Compliance to Standards
- Agency Training Procedures
- Instructor Responsibility and Judgement
- Divemaster Responsibility and Judgement
- Instructor and Divemaster Conduct
- Student Compliance to Training Limits During and After Certification
- Non-Certification Programs Such As Resort Courses
- Evaluation of Dive Training Course Materials and Supporting Materials
- Comparison of Standards of Various Training and Certification Agencies
- Technical Gas Mixing and Blending Procedures
- Diving Procedures for Shore and Vessel
- Vast Experience in Photography, Filmmaking, Video, Graphic Design



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Jeffrey Seckendorf • Publications

PRINTED BOOKS

Author and Co-Author

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UTD Essentials of Technical Diving

UTD Essentials of Scientific Diving

UTD Technical Diving

UTD Zuba Diving

Scubatics Underwater Competition

PUBLICATIONS AND PODCASTS

“The UTD Scuba Diving Podcast,” 2020 to present, Host and Producer.

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/utd-scuba-diving-podcast/id1506059865>

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UTD ONLINE COURSES

Co-Author, Contributor

Open Water Diver

Recreational 1 Diver – OW + Nitrox

Recreational 2 Advanced Diver

Recreational 3 Master Diver

Extreme Scuba Makeover

Essentials of Recreational Diving

Essentials of Technical Diving

Essentials of Scientific Diving

Essentials of Side Mount Diving

Dive Master

Techreational Diver

Technical 1 Diver

Technical 2 Diver

Technical 3 Diver

Overhead Protocols

Cave 1 Diver

Cave 2 Diver

Cave 3 Diver

Wreck 1 Diver

Wreck 2 Diver

Wreck 3 Diver

Essentials of Rebreather Diving

mCCR 1 Rebreather Diver

mCCR 2 Rebreather Diver

mCCR 3 Rebreather Diver

Dry Suit Diver

First Aid/CPR/AED/O2 Provider

Rescue Diver

Nitrox Diver

Surface Marker Buoy Mini

Night Diver Mini

Navigation Mini

Double Tank Mini

Stage Bottle Mini

Underwater Video and Photo Storytelling

Technical Gas Blender

Cylinder and Valve Technician

Instructor Trainer Prep/Instructor Gold

Open Water Instructor

Foundational Instructor

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