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Referrals – How Many Signatures are Required?

One of the most common questions posed to the PADI Americas Training Department relates to PADI Open Water Diver course referral procedures. Specifically, many members want to know what signatures are required on referral documents.

Simply, the number of instructor signatures required for a PADI Open Water Diver course referral depends on the number of instructors conducting training. If the same PADI Instructor completes all five Knowledge Development sessions or all five Confined Water dives and the Watermanship Assessment, then only one signature is required for each section.

B. Knowledge Development

	Date Completed Day/Month/Year	Completed KR	Passed Quiz/Exam	Viewed Open Water Video	Instructor** Initials	PADI #
Mod 1	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	# _____
Mod 2	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	# _____
Mod 3	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	# _____
Mod 4	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	# _____
Mod 5	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	# _____

*(Note: If all above Knowledge Development sessions have been completed by one instructor, only one signature required)
All Knowledge Development sessions listed above have been completed, Quizzes/Exams passed.*

Instructor Signature _____ # _____ Date ___/___/___

Signature required if a single instructor completes all five Knowledge Development sessions

Because the instructor signing the form verifies that the student diver completed all requirements for that section, the instructor is not required to complete the individual date and initial fields above the signature block.

However, if multiple instructors are involved, each instructor must sign the appropriate individual date and initial field above the signature block.

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Mod 1	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____#_____	_____
Mod 2	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____#_____	_____
Mod 3	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____#_____	_____
Mod 4	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____#_____	_____
Mod 5	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____#_____	_____

(Note: If all above Knowledge Development sessions have been completed by one instructor, only one signature required)
 All Knowledge Development sessions listed above have been completed, Quizzes/Exams passed.

Instructor Signature _____ # _____ Date ___/___/___

Each instructor must sign and date the appropriate field

The instructor completing the final session would then also sign at the end of the section to verify that the student diver met all requirements.

Please don't hesitate to contact the PADI Americas Training Department if you have referral questions. For more information on referral procedures, visit the Member Toolbox at the [PADI Pros' Site](#) and click on Diver Referrals under the Training heading.