

British Diving Safety Group - Terms of Reference

Name

- The group will be known as the British Diving Safety Group (BDSG)

Aim

- To bring together, at regular intervals, organisations and agencies with an involvement in recreational Scuba Diving and related support activities, to share best practice in order to improve diving safety and consider related issues.

Objectives

- To encourage the gathering and sharing of diving incident data
- To assess the need for intervention
- To propose changes to diving practice where required

Outputs

- Safety publications
- Safety information on BDSG website
- Promulgation of safety messages by member organisations
- Provide appropriate input to the National Water Safety Forum

Members

- Nominated person from each diving organisation and related agencies
- Additional input may be invited from other organisations or special advisors as appropriate.

Methods of working

Formal meetings will be kept to a maximum of four per year.

- The agenda will be formed from;
 - Items submitted by member organisations
 - Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting
 - Correspondence received

The group is currently chaired by the RNLI representative, however any other representative may propose a change of chair in advance of

a meeting of the group, in which case, the matter will be decided by majority vote of the representatives present.
The Secretariat for the group will be provided by the organisation of the Group Chair

Communication

- Minutes of each meeting will be circulated electronically by chair of meeting.