

Lake Lanier – West Bank Park Dive Emergency Management Plan

Address:

Buford Dam Road
Cumming, Georgia

Phone:

Park Management Services: 770-945-9531

Diving Accident Management Procedures

Introduction

A SCUBA diving accident victim could be any person who has been breathing air under water regardless of depth. It is essential that medical treatment is initiated as soon as possible.

General Procedures

Depending on the nature of the SCUBA diving accident, stabilize the patient, administer 100% oxygen, contact local Emergency Medical System (EMS) for transport to medical facility.

Explain the circumstances (see script below for general guidelines) of the SCUBA diving incident to the evacuation teams, medics and physicians. Stress this is a SCUBA diving accident, not just a diving accident. Do not assume that they understand why 100% oxygen may be required for the diving accident victim or that recompression treatment may be necessary. **They should transport to nearest open hyperbaric treatment facility, not the nearest hospital for suspected DCS injuries.**

1. Make appropriate contact with victim or rescue as required, followed by victim assessment.
2. Establish (A)irway, (B)reathing, (C)irculation as required.
3. Use Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) if needed and available
4. Treat for spinal injuries, stop bleeding, treat for shock as required.
5. Administer 100% oxygen.
6. Notify EMS to transport victim to nearest medical treatment facility.
7. Notify emergency contact if information is available.
8. Call appropriate diving physician and recompression chamber.
9. Secure diving victim's scuba equipment.
10. Complete and submit Accident Report through as required by EMS services.

Oxygen:

Oxygen is not provided at the park, but may be available from first responders, dive masters or Dive Instructors at the Diver's Cove or Mask Cove locations.

List of Emergency Contact Numbers:

Phone located onsite at registration gate (when open) otherwise utilize cell phone

EMS: 911
Forsyth County Sheriff
Phone: (770) 781-3056

Nearest Hospital (Non-DCS injuries only – No Hyperbaric chamber)

NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL FORSYTH
1200 BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER DRIVE
CUMMING, GA 30040

Using the DAN Emergency Hotline
+1-919-684-8111 or +1-919-684-4DAN (Collect)

When you call the DAN Emergency Hotline:

- The numbers +1-919-684-8111 and +1-919-684-4DAN (-4326) are answered at the switchboard of Duke University Medical Center. Tell the operator you have a diving emergency. The operator will either connect you directly with DAN or have someone call you back at the earliest possible moment.
- DAN's medical staff may make an immediate recommendation or call you back after making arrangements with a local physician or the DAN Regional Coordinator. DAN Regional Coordinators are familiar with chamber facilities in their area, and because they're qualified in diving medicine, they can make recommendations about treatment.
- DAN's medical staff or Regional Coordinator may ask you to wait by the phone while they make arrangements. These plans may take 30 minutes or longer, as several phone calls may be required. This delay should not place the diver in any greater danger. **However, if the situation is life-threatening, arrange to transport the diver immediately to the nearest local medical facility for immediate stabilization and assessment of his or her condition. Call DAN TravelAssist at 1-800-326-3822 at this time for consultation with the local medical provider.**

Directions to Westbank Park for EMS:

From Atlanta:

GA-400 NORTH

Take exit #14/GA-20 - go **0.7** mi

Turn **L** on **BUFORD HWY** - go **0.3** mi

Turn **L** on **MARKET PLACE BLVD** - go **0.8** mi

Turn **R** on **BUFORD DAM RD**

Westbank Park will be on left 2.6 miles

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Hyperbaric Chambers

Marietta

ProHBO at Health Horizons, Inc.
1455 Bells Ferry Road, Suite 100
Marietta, GA 30066
770-421-8094
770-421-8096 Fax
two monoplace chambers.

Directions (35.7 miles):

1. Start on **BUFORD DAM RD** (at **BUFORD DAM RD & SANDERS RD** in **CUMMING**) - go **0.6** mi
2. Turn **L** on **MARKET PLACE BLVD** - go **0.8** mi
3. Turn **R** on **BUFORD HWY** - go **0.5** mi
4. Turn **L** onto **US-19 SOUTH** - go **15.7** mi
5. Take exit **#7/GA-140** onto **HOLCOMB BRIDGE RD** toward **ROSWELL** - go **1.7** mi
6. **HOLCOMB BRIDGE RD** becomes **CROSSVILLE RD** - go **2.8** mi
7. **CROSSVILLE RD** becomes **WOODSTOCK RD** - go **2.5** mi
8. Turn **L** on **SANDY PLAINS RD NE** - go **5.7** mi
9. Turn **R** on **PIEDMONT RD NE** - go **3.3** mi
10. Turn **L** on **BELLS FERRY RD** - go **2.1** mi
11. Turn **R** on **COTTAGE WAY NE** - go **< 0.1** mi
12. Arrive at **1455 BELLS FERRY RD, MARIETTA**

Marietta

Cobb Hyperbaric Medicine .
1085 York Trace
Marietta, Georgia 30064
Three monoplace chambers
404-422-4268
404-422-2929 fax
We are available for 24/7 emergency call, and can be reached at 770 422 4268

Directions (42 miles):

1. Start on **BUFORD DAM RD** (at **BUFORD DAM RD & SANDERS RD** in **CUMMING**) - go **0.6** mi
2. Turn **L** on **MARKET PLACE BLVD** - go **0.8** mi
3. Turn **R** on **BUFORD HWY** - go **0.5** mi

4. Turn **L** onto **US-19 SOUTH** - go **24.9** mi
5. **US-19 SOUTH** becomes **I-285 WEST** - go **5.0** mi
6. Take exit **#20** onto **I-75 NORTH** toward **CHATTANOOGA/MARIETTA** - go **2.5** mi
7. Take exit **#261/EAST DELK RD** onto **DELK RD SE** toward **LOCKHEED/DOBBINS AFB** - go **2.1** mi
8. **DELK RD SE** becomes **S COBB DR SE** - go **3.3** mi
9. Turn **R** on **WESTSIDE DR** - go **0.4** mi
10. Bear **R** on **SANDTOWN RD SW** - go **0.2** mi
11. Turn **L** on **POWDER SPRINGS RD SE** - go **0.2** mi
12. Turn **R** on **CHESTNUT HILL RD SW** - go **1.5** mi
13. Turn **L** on **CHARLTON TRCE SW** - go **0.1** mi
14. Turn **R** on **YORK TRCE SW** - go **0.1** mi
15. Arrive at **1085 YORK TRCE SW, MARIETTA**, on the **L**

Atlanta

Hyperbaric Physicians of Georgia
 St Josephs Hospital
 1100 Lake Hearn Dr Ne,
 Atlanta, GA 30342-1523
 (404) 851-5390

Directions (26 miles):

1. Start on **BUFORD DAM RD** (at **Westbank Park** in **CUMMING**) - go **2.6** mi west
2. Turn **L** on **MARKET PLACE BLVD** - go **0.8** mi
3. Turn **R** on **BUFORD HWY** - go **0.5** mi
4. Turn **L** onto **US-19 SOUTH** - go **22.2** mi
5. Take exit **#5** toward **DUNWOODY** - go **0.3** mi
6. Turn **L** on **ABERNATHY RD NE** - go **0.2** mi
7. Turn **R** on **PEACHTREE DUNWOODY RD NE** - go **1.5** mi
8. Arrive at **1100 LAKE HEARN DR NE, ATLANTA**

HyOx Medical Treatment Center
 2550 Windy Hill Rd. SE
 Suite 110
 Marietta, GA 30067
 678-303-3200
 Fax: 678-303-3205

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Directions (33.7 miles):

1. Start on **BUFORD DAM RD** (at **Westbank Park** in **CUMMING**) - go **2.6** mi West
2. Turn **L** on **MARKET PLACE BLVD** - go **0.8** mi
3. Turn **R** on **BUFORD HWY** - go **0.5** mi
4. Turn **L** onto **US-19 SOUTH** - go **24.9** mi
5. **US-19 SOUTH** becomes **I-285 WEST** - go **5.0** mi
6. Take exit **#20/I-75** toward **SMYRNA** - go **1.5** mi
7. Turn **L** on **WINDY HILL RD SE** - go **0.4** mi
8. Arrive at **2550 WINDY HILL RD SE, MARIETTA**

Tucker, Ga:

International Alternative Medicine, Inc.
4450 Hugh Howell Road,
Suite 4 & 5,
Tucker, Georgia, 30084
770-934-4266
fax 770-934-2317.
monoplace

Directions (30 miles)

1. Start on **BUFORD DAM RD** (at **Westbank park** in **CUMMING**) - go **2.6** mi
2. Turn **L** on **MARKET PLACE BLVD** - go **0.8** mi
3. Turn **R** on **BUFORD HWY** - go **0.5** mi
4. Turn **L** onto **US-19 SOUTH** - go **2.4** mi
5. Take exit **#13/GA-141** onto **PEACHTREE PKY** toward **NORCROSS** - go **16.6** mi
6. Continue on **PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD NW[GA-141 S]** - go **0.3** mi
7. Turn **L** on **JIMMY CARTER BLVD NW** - go **6.7** mi
8. **JIMMY CARTER BLVD NW** becomes **MOUNTAIN INDUSTRIAL BLVD** - go **1.8** mi
9. Turn **R** on **HUGH HOWELL RD** - go **0.3** mi
10. Arrive at **4450 HUGH HOWELL RD, TUCKER**

Script for EMS:

When speaking to emergency personnel:

“Hello, my name is <your name> I am at the Westbank park at Lake Lanier at:

Buford Dam Road
Cumming, Ga

We have a <Non-dive/scuba diver> emergency involving <give divers name> the diver has: (choose proper scenario below)

- A. injured themselves, is conscious, responsive and breathing and has the following injuries: <list injury>
- B. been found on the surface, breathing and unconscious and may be suffering from decompression sickness or lung expansion injuries, there <are|are no> signs of decompression illness present. They are being given oxygen.
- C. been found on the surface, not breathing and unconscious and may be suffering from decompression sickness or lung expansion injuries, there <are|are no> signs of decompression illness present. They are being given oxygen.
- D. been found on the surface, breathing and conscious and may be suffering from decompression sickness or lung expansion injuries, there <are|are no> signs of decompression illness present. They are being given oxygen.
- E. been rescued from <give depth>, is not breathing and may be suffering from decompression sickness or lung expansion injuries, there <are|are no> signs of decompression illness present. They are being given CPR and oxygen.