



MARINE AND MARITIME STUDIES GENERAL YEAR 11

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# Sample course outline

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11–12	<ul> <li>Maritime: Small craft</li> <li>nautical terminology</li> <li>factors affecting buoyancy and stability</li> <li>design, construction and use of pulley systems</li> <li>Task 5: Practical – Design and construction of pulley systems</li> <li>Task 6: Test – Maritime design and small craft</li> </ul>
13–16	<ul> <li>Snorkelling and diving</li> <li>snorkelling equipment</li> <li>pre- and post-dive care of and maintenance of equipment</li> <li>buddy responsibilities</li> <li>hand signals</li> <li>entry and exit techniques relevant to the environment</li> <li>underwater swimming</li> <li>finning – technique, direction control</li> <li>mask defogging and clearing a partially flooded mask</li> <li>snorkel breathing and snorkel clearing</li> <li>duck diving, safe descending and ascending technique</li> <li>maritime communication systems, including underwater hand signals, are based on international conventions, and are subject to change through debate and resolution (SHE)</li> <li>snorkelling skills</li> <li>Task 7: Practical – Presentation on the function and use of snorkelling equipment</li> <li>Task 8: Practical – Snorkelling skills assessment</li> </ul>

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15–16	<ul> <li>Snorkelling and diving</li> <li>Archimedes' principle and buoyancy</li> <li>tired buddy tow</li> <li>cramp release</li> <li>ditch and recovery of an object – weight belt</li> <li>Task 15: Practical – Snorkelling and diving skills assessment</li> <li>Task 16: Test – The science of snorkelling theory test</li> </ul>

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