

Underwater breathing

NO →

Not a SCUBA diving accident.
go to the nearest hospital

YES ↓

Mild Symptoms?
(unusual tiredness, itching)

YES →

1. Oxygen 100%
2. Horizontal Position
3. Water (0,5 - 1 litre) orally
4. Observe + Neurocheck

NO ↓

Serious symptoms:
pain, skin troubles, unusual weakness,
numbness, tingling, breathing troubles,
visual, hearing,
speech troubles, vertigo, nausea,
paralysis, decreased consciousness,
coma.

**Remember: any symptom at depth is
always serious**

Relief in 30 minutes?

NO ↓

Treat as serious
symptoms

YES ↓

Consult Physician.
Observe 24 hours.

EARLY TREATMENT

1. Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) if needed.
2. Keep airway open.
3. Put diver in horizontal position.
4. Give 100% Oxygen with face mask for as long as possible.
5. Shelter diver.
6. If fully conscious, give water (0,5 - 1 litre).
7. If Physician is present Ringer Lactate, Normal saline or 5% dextrose in saline I.V. (**No** 5% dextrose in water).
8. Consult DAN Europe or a diving medicine specialist.
9. Plan transportation to Hyperbaric Facility.
10. If air evacuation: maximum possible cabin pressurisation.