



LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) AS MARINE FUEL

This three-day course provides a comprehensive overview of LNG and the use of LNG as a marine fuel.

ABS Academy

Ship owners and operators, facility operators, vessel crews, port regulators, shipyard personnel and other maritime industry stakeholders interested in gas-fueled ship (GFS) design and operations.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Gain perspective about the LNG-fueled fleet's historical development and future trends regarding emission control areas (ECAs), greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction, supply and distribution availability and commercial considerations.
- 2. Become familiar with LNG properties, hazards, risk management and safe handling practices for LNG GFS ship operation and fuel handling.
- 3. Raise awareness about LNG GFS design, construction and safety features according to the IGF Code, associated regulations and industry guidelines.
- 4. Enhance understanding of technical specifications, engineering and operational requirements for LNG marine fuel propulsion systems and fuel gas supply systems.
- 5. Recognize safe working practices and procedures in accordance with industry guidelines and personal shipboard safety.

COURSE STRUCTURE

1 Welcome

- a. Introductions
- b. Short icebreaker activities
- c. Introduce learning objectives
- 2. Why Alternative Fuels?
 - a. Background and drivers (including 11. Control, Monitoring, and IMO GHG strategy)
 - b. Alternative fuel types: Advantages and challenges

3. LNG as Marine Fuel Introduction

- a. LNG characteristics
- b. LNG properties
- c. Saturated vapor pressure

4. Health and Safety

- a. LNG safety measures
- b. LNG hazards
- c. Ventilation provisions
- d. Exposure control
- e. Emergency procedures

5. Rules and Regulations

- a. IGF Code (including IACS recommendations)
- b. STCW Convention
- c. MARPOL Annex VI
- d. ABS Marine Vessel Rules, Part 5C
- e. ABS Guide for Gas and Other Low-Flashpoint Fuel Ready Vessels (including notations)

6. Design Risk Assessment

- a. Reference: ABS Guidance Notes on Risk Assessment Applications for the Marine and Offshore Industries
- b. Risk assessment process
- c. Risk assessment techniques
- d. HAZID vs. HAZOP

7. LNG-Fueled Engines

- a. Overview of technologies
- b. Engine certification
- c. Combustion concepts
- d. Service experience

8. Ship Design and Arrangement

- a. Arrangement and performance
- b. Pipe connections
- c. Tank safety
- d. Fuel spaces
- e. Hazardous areas

9. Fuel Containment System

- a. Functional requirements
- b. Venting and gas-freeing
- c. Fuel containment tanks
- d. Inert gas production and storage
- e. Boil-off gas control

10. Fuel Gas Supply System

- a. Characteristics
- b. Fuel gas supply systems
- c. Piping and valves
- d. Remote and automatic operations

Safety Sytems

- a. Functional requirements
- b. Provisions for:
 - Bunkering station
 - Gas and fire detection
 - Engine monitoring and ventilation
 - Fuel gas supply system

12. Fire Safety and Explosion Prevention

- a. Fire prevention
- b. Tank Safety
- c. Fire protection
- d. Hazardous areas

13. LNG Bunkering Operations

- a. Bunkering infrastructure
- b. Bunkering transfer and arrangement
- c. Hazards
- d. Pre-bunkering
- e. Bunkering process
- f. Emergency procedures

14. ABS Survey Activities

- a. Classification requirements
- b. Surveys during construction:
 - Fuel tanks
 - Piping and valves
 - Bunkering station
 - Fuel gas supply system
 - Fuel consumers
 - Electrical equipment and CMSS
 - Fire safety
 - Sea and dual-fuel LNG trials
- c. Surveys after construction

15. Closing

- a. Course recap of each module
- b. Examination