

# **ABS Remote Survey FAQ**

# BRING FLEXIBILITY TO YOUR SURVEY EXPERIENCE

Minimize survey logistical costs, reduce operational down time, and eliminate waiting for surveyor attendance. ABS Remote Survey affords you scheduling and operational flexibility. All requests are subject to ABS review and acceptance on a case by case basis.

#### What surveys are available remotely and is my vessel eligible for remote survey?

- Concurrent Load Line Eligible for remote survey for any vessel with valid Concurrent Load Line Certificates, permanently marked assignments under a surveyor's oversight, and authorization from the vessel's Flag Administration.
- Boiler Three-Month Extension Eligible for any vessel with valid Class Certificates and authorization from the vessel's Flag Administration.
- CMS Eligible for vessels enrolled in the ABS Preventative Maintenance Program. Only machinery parts selected as Special Survey Items can be credited.
- · Tail Shaft Survey Extension Eligible for any vessel with a Tail Shaft Survey.
- · Minor Damage Survey Eligible for minor damage upon ABS review and acceptance.
  - NOTE: Minor damage means set-in or fracture that corresponds to three points or fewer in accordance with the Inspection Grading Criteria for ABS Hull Inspection and Maintenance Program (HIMP) available HERE
- Condition of Class Eligible for remote survey on vessels or offshore units with a Condition of Class that can be verified through documented evidence.
- Statutory Condition Eligible for remote survey on vessels or offshore units with a Statutory Condition that can be verified through documented evidence. Approvals are subject to flag administration authorization.
- Remote Underwater Examination of Offshore Units Eligible for remote survey requiring a real-time data connection capable of handling the video, audio, and communication feeds for a ROV. Minimum feed requirements are 720p video, 30 frames per second, and less than six second communication lag. The examination must be performed by an approved external specialist.
- Drydock Extension ABS allows for remote drydock surveys to be extended by one month and up to three months as long as the last drydocking was not more than 36 months prior. Traditionally, to grant an extension ABS would have to send a surveyor onboard to confirm if immediate repairs were needed. By leveraging approved ABS External Specialists who can conduct underwater examinations in lieu of drydocking (UWILD), ABS can accept the results via remote attendance process.
- Safety Radio Survey Safety Radio Surveys are credited in collaboration with flag authorization and an approved ABS External Specialist who goes on board to test and confirm the functionality of safety critical, radio equipment. Periodical and renewal surveys can be completed remotely following an approved ABS External Specialist report which confirms there are no findings.

Safety Management System disclaimer:

In cases where information is submitted by the owner, the Safety Management System must include procedures, roles and responsibilities to facilitate remote class surveys.

#### How do I obtain a PMP notation?

Contact your local survey office and request a surveyor to attend the vessel

# What are the requirements of a PMP notation?

- For Marine Vessels, refer to ABS Marine Vessel Rules, Part 7 Appendix 14 available HERE
- For Offshore Units, refer to ABS Mobile Offshore Unit Rules, Part 7 Chapter 2 Appendix 4 available HERE

#### What type of data can I submit?

• Documents, photos and videos can be submitted of any file type except .EXE. There is no limit to the number of files that can be uploaded. A link for data upload is provided in the remote survey request confirmation email.

## How do I request a remote survey?

• Requests for Remote Survey can be made through ww2.eagle.org. A link for data upload is provided in the remote survey request confirmation email.

### Who performs my Remote Survey?

• ABS has established a dedicated, global Remote Survey team of highly experienced surveyors to conduct remote surveys and maintain a high quality of consistent service.

#### How long will it take to get a response?

• Upon survey request, a confirmation email of submittal is sent immediately. An ABS surveyor will respond within 24 hours to accept the request or advise whether any additional information is needed.

#### Where will the remote underwater examination be conducted?

• The surveyor and the owner will attend the same local facility to view the remote examination. The facility is selected by the owner or external specialists providing the service.

## Who can submit the request and documentation?

- Concurrent Loadline We can accept requests endorsed by the Captain as appropriate.
- Boiler Survey Extension We can accept requests endorsed by the Chief Engineer as appropriate.
- CMS Eligible for vessels enrolled in the ABS Preventative Maintenance Program. Only machinery parts selected as Special Survey Items can be credited.
- Tail Shaft Survey Extension We can accept requests from the owner's representative, provided the Chief Engineer has endorsed the request.
- · Minor Damage We can accept requests endorsed by the Captain.
- Condition of Class We can accept requests endorsed by the Captain or Chief Engineer as appropriate.
- · Statutory Condition We can accept requests endorsed by the Captain or Chief Engineer as appropriate.
- Remote Underwater examination of Offshore units We can accept requests from any authorized owner's representatives inquiring about ABS services.
- Drydock Extension We can accept requests from the owner's representative, provided the captain and chief engineer endorse the request.
- Safety Radio Survey We can accept requests endorsed by the Captain.