TRAINING PROSPECTUS

Best Practice Training for Marine and Offshore Professionals

ABS Academy
ABS Academy is committed to being your training partner. This commitment means providing courses that extend beyond the traditional curriculum and present you with training solutions to address your needs.

ABS Academy training courses are used by many of the industry’s leading shipowners to enhance the operational safety and performance of their assets.

Designed to meet the technical and management needs of shipowners, managers, and operators of marine and offshore assets, ABS Academy’s targeted training features best practice applications for design and operations.

TECHNICALLY TRAINED EMPLOYEES ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE THE CONFIDENCE AND NECESSARY SKILLS TO PERFORM THEIR WORK AT A HIGH LEVEL.

ABS MISSION

The mission of ABS is to serve the public interest as well as the needs of our members and clients by promoting the security of life and property and preserving the natural environment.
TRAINING AT-A-GLANCE

With a rich history of marine and offshore technical expertise spanning more than 150 years, ABS offers an extensive portfolio of instructor-led and web-based learning solutions.

The purpose of employee learning and development is a new and higher level of performance that supports an organization’s mission objectives and improves business outcomes.

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The client-facing portal of the ABS learning management system features available courses and curricula.

This site allows for these functions:
- A designated site for your company
- Self-register capabilities
- Browsing and registering for selected courses
- Visibility to registrations and training progress for administrators

AN ORGANIZATION’S ABILITY TO LEARN AND TRANSLATE LEARNING INTO ACTION IS THE ULTIMATE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE.
ABS Academies deliver instructor-led courses that lead to measurably higher levels of performance. Many shipowners and managers turn to ABS Academy to enhance the competencies of their staff.

ABS Academy training events provide good opportunities for networking with others in industry, allowing participants to share experiences and views about common issues with their peers.

ABS Academy offers a series of specialized training courses, delivered by experienced presenters who bring theoretical knowledge and practical application to the classroom.

- **Solutions-focused training** helps participants apply the knowledge gained from training on the job.
- **Refresher courses** provide updates for participants to keep pace with evolving Rules, regulations, and standards.
- **Post-course support** can increase overall satisfaction following course participation.

ABS Academies also tailor private training programs about topics such as:

- Orientation to New Construction Classification and Statutory Requirements
- LNG-Fueled Vessels: Technical and Operational Overview
- Shaft Alignment for Superintendents
- Train-the-Trainer (US Coast Guard Accepted)

ABS Academy training centers are located in Athens, Busan, Houston, Shanghai, and Singapore.
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Looking for an introduction to MARPOL and SOLAS? This primer covers the concepts, definitions, and requirements, as well as the ABS plan review process for compliance.

Practical examples illustrate solutions to meet the requirements and highlight the most common non-compliance issues.

This course is suitable for designers and shipyard engineers who are seeking knowledge about vessel statutory compliance with MARPOL and SOLAS regulations.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

During this two-day course, experienced instructors will conduct group discussions, so participants gain a better understanding about the regulations.

- Shipboard emergency plans for oil and marine pollution (SOPEP and SMPEP)
- Oily water separating equipment
- Ballast and cargo oil piping
- Intact and damage stability
- Subdivision and damage calculations
- Floodable length and damage stability
- Structural fire protection
- Lifesaving appliances
- Machinery and electrical installations
- Unattended machinery spaces

**COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS**
Even when the Document of Compliance and Safety Management Certificates are in place, some assets are detained by Port State Control. Are you sure your company’s auditors can identify non-conformances ashore and on board ships and offshore units when they conduct safety management system internal audits?

The key is to gain insight by addressing non-conformances identified in corrective action requests, implementing preventive measures, and eliminating technical deficiencies.

This course is suitable for those who have, or may have in the future, duties involving matters of safety and environmental protection and who want to develop a good grasp of how management systems can achieve these goals.

HIGHLIGHTS
During this three-day course, experienced instructors will conduct group discussions and workshops, so that participants will be able to comprehend:

- The content of the ISM Code and its interpretation
- Risk management principles and management systems that underpin the ISM Code
- The principles and current practices used in internal auditing

After the course, participants will be able to:

- Create an audit plan
- Conduct internal audits in a professional manner
- Write comprehensive internal audit reports
- Receive certification as an internal auditor

COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS
ISM CODE LEAD INTERNAL AUDITOR

COURSE SFT003

This course is suitable for those who have experience in internal auditing. Participants will be provided an opportunity to analyze, discuss, and update their knowledge of the ISM Code and related management systems. Reference is made to relevant IMO developments.

To be considered for this course, participants should have a certificate of completion for an internal auditor course from an IACS society, as well as experience conducting at least three audits as an internal auditor.

The course clarifies the approach to take for auditing and promotes consistency in the decision-making process. The course makes extensive use of case studies.

HIGHLIGHTS

During this three-day course, experienced instructors will conduct group discussions and workshops, so that participants will be able to master these topics:

- ISM Code review, including latest revisions
- Integrity and continual improvement of a safety management system
- Other industry standards
- Non-conformance and report writing
- Auditing techniques and interpreting requirements to support decision making
- Case studies

COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS
Why is quality important? Successful organizations provide products and services that customers want. Satisfied customers are loyal to the suppliers they feel best understand their requirements. As a result they will make repeat purchases and recommend businesses to their friends.

ISO 9001:2015 adopts a risk-based approach to quality management, encouraging more internal and external stakeholder focus. It is a tool for improving overall performance and plays an integral role in promoting sustainable development.

The updates to the new ISO 9001:2015 standard reflect necessary changes based on the increasingly complex and dynamic working environment in which organizations operate.

OBJECTIVES

In this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through the evolution of the ISO 9000 standard so the changes are clearly defined and understood.

- Overview of ISO 9000 standards
- Quality management system principles
- Structure of ISO 9001:2015 standard
- Terms used in the new standard
- Comparison between new and previous versions
- Continual improvement process (PDCA = Plan-Do-Check-Act)
- ISO 9001:2015 scope and requirements

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
ISO 9001:2015 QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS INTERNAL AUDITOR

COURSE QLT006

Organizations adopt the ISO 9001 standard to organize their quality management processes, improve efficiencies, and continually improve. A quality management systems internal auditor must evaluate if the organization’s risk management, governance, and internal control processes are operating effectively.

By completing this course, participants will be able to identify the roles and responsibilities of an auditor, recognize the principles, practices, and types of audits; and develop the skills to plan and conduct an effective audit, take corrective action, follow up and verify, and prepare a proper audit report. Audit techniques will be demonstrated through case studies and group discussions to reinforce understanding, enhance integrity, and promote continual improvement.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this three-day course, participants will learn how to conduct an effective internal audit of a quality management system through interactive case studies and open discussion.

- Overview of ISO 9001:2015 standard
- Quality control and quality assurance
- Process approach and system approach to management system continual improvement (PDCA = Plan-Do-Check-Act)
- Quality management principles and audit process
- Types of audits and basic steps for developing an internal audit program
- Phases of an internal audit, including planning, conducting, reporting, and follow-up and verification
- Identifying the ‘Qualified Auditor’
- Audit techniques, including effective communication during audit investigations

COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS
Increasingly stringent legislation and pressure to protect the environment from pollution, inefficient use of resources, improper waste management, climate change, degradation of ecosystems, and loss of biodiversity has led organizations to adopt a systematic approach to environmental management.

The ISO 14000 standard provides organizations with a framework to protect the environment and to respond to changing environmental conditions.

The level of detail and complexity of the environmental management system will vary depending on:

- The environmental management system scope
- The organization’s compliance obligations and nature of its activities
- Products and services and associated environmental aspects and impacts

OBJECTIVES

In this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors explain the process of incorporating the requirements of ISO 14001:2015 into a marine-integrated management system with appropriate guidance on interpretation. Extensive use is made of practical examples concerning continual improvement of an environmental management system and its integrity.

- Overview of ISO 14000 standards
- Environmental management system principles
- Structure of ISO 14001:2015 standard
- Terms used in the new standard
- Comparison between new and previous versions
- Continual improvement process (PDCA = Plan-Do-Check-Act)
- ISO 14001:2015 scope and requirements

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
ISO 14001:2015 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS INTERNAL AUDITOR

COURSE ENV002

Organizations implement ISO 14001 into their overall management system program to improve their environmental performance by efficiently using resources and reducing waste. The role of an environmental management systems internal auditor is to evaluate if the organization's risk management, governance, and internal control processes are operating effectively.

This course helps auditors develop a practical approach to auditing and encourage continual improvement. Emphasis is placed on creating an internal audit program, selecting and training auditors, executing an audit plan, questioning techniques and communications, and properly implementing an environmental management system.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this three-day course, participants will learn how to conduct an effective internal audit of an environmental management system through interactive case studies and open discussion.

- Overview of ISO 14001:2015 standard
- Global environmental concerns
- Identification of aspects and impacts
- Legal and other requirements
- Environmental policy and management programs
- Implementation and operation
- Setting objectives, targets, and performance indicators
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Checking, preventive and corrective action, and management review
- Phases of an internal audit, including planning, conducting, reporting, and audit follow-up and verification
- Identifying the ‘Qualified Auditor’
- Audit techniques, including effective communication during audit investigations

COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS
By implementing an occupational health and safety system, organizations demonstrate they are committed to promoting safety and wellness for their workers. As a result, workplaces are safer, more efficient, more productive, and the costs of work-related injuries and illnesses are reduced.

ISO 45001:2018 is a new international standard for occupational health and safety. Organizations already certified to OHSAS 18001:2007 will have until March 2021 to transition to ISO 45001.

This course explains the risks and opportunities that can affect an organization's occupational health and safety management system, including internal and external factors and conditions that can affect vessel operations and services.

In addition, marine personnel will understand the relationship between legal compliance and conformance to the standard, risk-based thinking and types of risk assessments, health and safety risk management, and risk management methodology.

HIGHLIGHTS
In this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors explain the process of incorporating the requirements of ISO 45001 into a marine-integrated management system.

• ISO 45001:2018 overview
• Structure of ISO 45001 and comparison to OHSAS 18001
• Occupational health and safety management principles
• Occupational health and safety for maritime operations
• IMO, ILO, and other interested parties
• Planning, risks, and opportunities
• Resource management and organizational knowledge
• Implementation and operation
• Review and improvement
• Compatibility with the ISM Code and Maritime Labour Convention 2006

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
Do you know how to structure an audit program for the principal standards for occupational health, safety, quality, environmental, and energy management systems?

Conducting internal audits is a critical activity that contributes to the effective implementation and continual improvement of an integrated management system.

By employing adequate risk control measures, marine and offshore companies are able to develop integrated management system programs to verify proper vessel operations and satisfy competitive market requirements.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

In this three-day course, experienced instructors will take participants step by step through the integrated management system internal audit process. The ABS Guide for Marine Health, Safety, Quality, Environmental, and Energy Management (HSQEEn Guide) will be used as a model for implementing marine integrated management systems.

- Identify the requirements of the ABS HSQEEn Guide
- Recognize the requirements for occupational health and safety management systems, including the ISM Code
- Realize the global environmental concerns and the requirements for environmental and energy management systems
- Develop an internal audit program
- Plan and conduct internal audits
- Write effective audit reports, including corrective action and follow-up actions

**COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS**
Did you know that a large number of vessels were lost in the past as a result of marine casualties? Many of these casualties could be attributed to a lack of adequate risk assessment of the conditions created and changes made on board.

Reducing risks to within tolerable zones is what all organizations hope for, and change management is an essential element of this critical activity.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through the management of change (MoC) process to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Recognize changes and the reasons they should be managed
- Describe the MoC program cycle
- Be aware of the sequence and steps needed to complete the MoC process
- Implement the planned changes without affecting the integrity of the existing management system
- Create the proper climate for making the changes

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
Did you know that a number of vessels have experienced security threats while transiting “hot” sea regions? The risk of a vessel security threat can be reduced through strict adherence to the requirements of a ship security plan, including security internal audits conducted annually per the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code.

Conducting security internal audits is a critical activity that contributes to the effective implementation and continual improvement of a ship security plan.

HIGHLIGHTS
In this interactive two-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through the ISPS Code internal audit process using a practical learning approach.

- Define security fundamentals
- Identify the requirements of ISPS Code Parts A and B, as well as flag State-specific security requirements
- Develop an internal audit program
- Plan and conduct internal audits
- Write effective audit reports, including corrective action and follow-up actions

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
QUALIFIED MARINE ASSESSOR
(BASED ON IMO MODEL COURSES 1.30 AND 3.12)
COURSE HF021

With ever-increasing industry requirements and the regulatory framework of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), shipowners and ship managers need to conduct onboard or shore-based assessments to ensure the ongoing competence of their mariners.

This course is primarily intended for any person conducting an in-service assessment of competence of a seafarer on board. This course combines key topics from IMO model courses for onboard assessment, as well as the assessment, examination, and certification of seafarers. The course covers principles for developing and implementing a shipboard assessment system and methodologies for assessing that seafarers are properly qualified for their specific work positions.

HIGHLIGHTS
In this interactive two-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through best practices for conducting in-service assessments of seafarer competence to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- International provisions for conducting seafarer assessments
- Assessment techniques
- Identification of performance standards
- Assessment of knowledge, skills, and abilities
- Measurement of performance progress based on objectives
- Favorable and unfavorable conditions for assessment
- Using feedback for performance improvement
- Steps for conducting the competence assessment

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION: AWARENESS AND IMPLEMENTATION

COURSE REG013

Seafarers have not always worked under acceptable conditions, which can affect their health, safety, and well-being. Because their working lives are primarily spent outside their home countries and their employers are also often based abroad, effective international standards are necessary. The ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (ILO MLC, 2006) is a comprehensive international employment convention to address seafarers’ rights to decent conditions and fair competition for shipowners.

This course provides participants with an understanding of the structure of the ILO and the fundamentals of the Maritime Labour Convention, including shipowner’s duties and responsibilities to protect seafarers. The course also addresses the requirements for health and safety, as well as accident prevention of seafarers and the appropriate implementation of standards through an effective safety management system.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this one-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through the implementation requirements to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Development and structure of the ILO
- Novel features of the convention
- Role of the IMO
- Compliance and enforcement
- Shipowner’s liability
- Training and qualifications of seafarers
- Conditions of employment
- Health and safety protection and accident prevention
- Flag State and Port State Control responsibilities
- Incorporation of convention requirements into quality and safety management systems
- Implementation benefits and monitoring

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
The ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 provides the most comprehensive code to date that addresses seafarers’ rights and the obligations of flag States and shipowners with respect to these rights. The Convention incorporates the fundamental principles of many ILO conventions and consolidates and updates standards of 68 existing ILO instruments (conventions and recommendations) into one document.

In this course, participants will learn the requirements contained within the ILO MLC, 2006. Guidance for Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 will be used as reference material.

**COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS**

**HIGHLIGHTS**

In this two-day course, experienced instructors will cover the ILO MLC, 2006 compliance requirements to confirm that concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Background of the ILO and its structure
- Roles and responsibilities of key players in the ILO MLC, 2006
- Intent and interpretation of the five titles of the ILO MLC, 2006, including mandatory requirements and guidelines
- Inspection and certification requirements to comply
- Introduction to the Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance
- Examples of manuals and procedures shipowners may choose to develop
- Handling and resolution of deficiencies
- Handling of crew complaints
- Port and flag State issues
MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION
(ILO MLC, 2006) INTERNAL INSPECTOR

COURSE REG032

The ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 is a comprehensive international employment convention to address seafarers’ rights to decent conditions and fair competition for shipowners. The ILO MLC, 2006 creates a level playing field in a globalized industry to ensure that competition is not based on unjust, exploitive, and unfair labor practices.

This course is designed for ship managers, superintendents, and designated company personnel involved in implementing procedures for their organization to maintain compliance with the ILO MLC, 2006.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this two-day course, experienced instructors combine individual exercises with case studies and explain step by step the onboard verification process from the internal inspector’s perspective.

- Convention provisions concerning inspections
- Flag and Port State Control inspections for compliance, enforcement, and certification
- Applicable national requirements
- Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance
- Maritime Labour Certificate
- Guidelines and practical approach for conducting internal inspections concerning maritime labor issues
- Convention provisions for onboard working and living conditions
- Crew complaint handling

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
First introduced in 2004 as a tool for ship operators to measure and improve their safety management systems, the Tanker Management and Self-Assessment (TMSA) program was developed by the Oil Companies International Marine Forum (OCIMF). The TMSA includes additional requirements to the ISM Code. Tanker operators who wish to charter their vessels to a major oil company should comply with these additional requirements.

This course provides an overview of the latest TMSA 3 program, which is intended to encourage higher standards of ship management. TMSA 3 provides a means by which operators can demonstrate a strong commitment to safety and environmental excellence.

HIGHLIGHTS
In this one-day course, experienced instructors will cover key performance indicators and best practices for adopting the TMSA 3 program.

- Introduction to OCIMF
- Revised TMSA 3 provisions
- Key performance indicators and best practice guidance
- Identification of training needs per TMSA 3 and current industry standards
- Safety and environmental excellence, above and beyond regulatory compliance
- Continual improvement cycle
- Introduction to the TMSA 3 elements
- Promoting a safety culture
- TMSA audits

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
TANKER MANAGEMENT AND SELF-ASSESSMENT (TMSA 3) TRANSITION AND IMPLEMENTATION

COURSE REG025

Developed by the Oil Companies International Marine Forum (OCIMF), the Tanker Management and Self-Assessment (TMSA) program provides companies with a means to improve and measure their safety management systems. Widely used since 2004, the TMSA program was recently updated to provide clarity and make conducting self-assessments easier to promote continual improvement.

This course covers the structure and requirements of the new TMSA 3 program. It addresses the new requirements in comparison with the TMSA 2 version. Participants will become familiar with the process of incorporating the new TMSA 3 requirements into a marine integrated management system, to assess it and promote continual improvement, as well as to perform an onboard TMSA review and verification through typical check list.

TMSA provides a means by which operators can demonstrate a strong commitment to safety and environmental excellence.

HIGHLIGHTS
During this two-day course, experienced instructors will explain the transition and implementation requirements for TMSA 3. The course features workshops to promote discussion and participation.

• Fast facts and frequently asked questions
• Analysis and structure approach
• Risk assessment
• Introduction to the TMSA 3 elements
• Revised TMSA provisions
• Identifying training needs per TMSA 3 and current industry standards
• Continual improvement
• Onboard TMSA review and verification

This course satisfies the requirements for element 9 of the Tanker Management and Self-Assessment standard.

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
The International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) specifies that instructors and assessors are appropriately qualified and experienced in instructional techniques.

Maritime training instructors and assessors will hone their presentation skills and become familiar with training techniques. Participants will formulate training plans, develop training objectives, select learning processes, and design practical assessments. During a workshop session, participants will be videotaped during their presentation delivery.

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS

HIGHLIGHTS
The interactive two-day course is a helpful refresher for experienced instructors and an asset for those with less knowledge about presentation and communication skills.

- Purpose of training
- Adult learning principles
- Overview of instructional design
- Techniques and definitions
- Approaches and components
- Presentation skills
- Awareness and eye control
- Vocal and energy skills
- Using visuals
- Questioning skills
- Workshops on slide preparation and delivering presentations
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Based on the IMO model course 6.09 (Training Course for Instructors), this course is accepted by the US Coast Guard (USCG) as fulfilling the intent of NVIC 6-97 and STCW A-1/6.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

The interactive three-day course is a helpful refresher for experienced instructors and an asset for those with less knowledge about presentation and communication skills.

- Purpose of training
- Process of identifying training needs
- Benefits of training
- Aspects of the learning process
- Setting training objectives
- Designing, planning, and organizing presentations and courses
- Training methodologies
- Presentation and communication skills
- Interpersonal skills
- Assessment techniques
- Evaluation of training

**COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS**
EFFECTIVE SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION: DPA REQUIREMENTS

COURSE SFT004

The ISM Code recommends that each company assign a designated person ashore (DPA) and DPA Assistant to monitor the safety and pollution prevention aspects of the operation of each ship.

This course provides participants with an understanding of the authority and liability issues of the DPA role. Particular attention is given to the safety management system, planned maintenance system, vessel response plan, and the US Vessel General Permit (where trading to the US is contemplated). Reference is made to current IMO regulations, with a focus on systems, plans, and future trends. Case studies provide practical approaches for avoiding undesirable outcomes.

HIGHLIGHTS

During this two-day course, experienced instructors will explain how to effectively implement safety management systems to align with the DPA requirements. The course features workshops to promote discussion and participation.

- Overview of ISM Code and legal implications
- Pertinent mandatory legislation
- Applicable codes, guidelines, and standards
- DPA’s authority and liability
- Assessment techniques for examining, evaluating, and reporting
- Review of safety and integrated management systems
- Maintaining the integrity of a management system
- Audit findings and follow-up actions
- Associated shipboard operations and procedures
- Communications with senior management and shipboard staff
- Promoting a proactive safety culture with safe working practices

This course satisfies the requirements for element 6 of the Designated Person Ashore standard.

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
ROLE OF HSQEEEn AUDITOR AND THE AUDITING PROCESS

COURSE IMS003

The principles of marine health, safety, quality, environmental, and energy management (HSQEEEn) are largely derived from the sound management system principles reflected in the requirements of OHSAS 18001 (occupational health and safety), the ISM Code (safety), ISO 9001 (quality), ISO 14001 (environmental), and ISO 50001 (energy).

Companies that adopt an HSQEEEn program are able to increase operational efficiencies through improved performance and continual improvement. This course provides participants with a fuller understanding of the principles for conducting HSQEEEn audits.

This course helps participants better understand the role of the HSQEEEn auditor and provides a roadmap, from establishing the audit program objectives to the completion of the auditing process.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this two-day course, participants will learn how to structure an HSQEEEn program and conduct effective audits through interactive case studies and open discussion.

- Overview of HSQEEEn audit
- Types of audits and the auditing process
- Principles of auditing
- Managing an audit program:
  - Identifying objectives
  - Establishing the program
  - Implementing the audit program
  - Monitoring the audit program
- Reviewing and improving the audit program
- Performing an audit, including planning, conducting, reporting, and follow-up
- Meaning of competence
- Evaluating auditor’s competence
- Maintaining and improving auditor’s competence

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
INCIDENT INVESTIGATION AND ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS IMPLEMENTATION

COURSE RM007

Many incidents, hazardous occurrences, and near misses on board maritime assets are caused by human errors and can result in considerable losses.

Learning lessons from incidents and putting preventive measures in place to make sure they do not happen again is the key to loss prevention.

To achieve this, it is crucial that the various contributory factors and root causes are properly identified and understood.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this two-day course, experienced instructors will explain the principles covering root cause analysis. Through a series of workshops, participants will be shown a systematic and practical model of an incident investigation program that will help them implement a similar or derived version in their own organizations.

• Describe the fundamentals of incident investigation and the stages involved
• Gather and preserve the data needed to carry out an incident investigation
• Conduct investigation interviews in an effective manner
• Sort and analyze all the various data obtained in the investigation process
• Apply the root cause analysis techniques and identify the causal factors and their root causes
• Prepare an incident investigation report with conclusions and recommendations

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
Risk assessment is a systematic process to identify potential hazards that could negatively affect an organization’s ability to conduct business, analyze what could happen if a hazard occurs, and determine ways to eliminate or control the hazard. For the maritime industry, the risks are primarily those that affect the safety of a vessel, a facility, or an operation.

This course introduces fundamental risk concepts including qualitative and quantitative risk analysis as applied for the maritime industry. Participants will be introduced to common hazard identification and risk estimation. The course is intended to provide decision makers with the tools to make more informed management choices using risk information.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

During this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors will explain maritime risk assessment so concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Overview of basic theories and principles of hazard identification and risk assessment
- Description of qualitative and quantitative methodologies
- Review of the capabilities and limitations of each tool and when to use them
- How hazards are ranked and prioritized
- Risk management and mitigation

**COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY**
This course introduces fundamental qualitative and quantitative risk concepts, common hazard identification (HAZID), and risk estimation. With mock HAZID exercises, participants will learn how to assess and prioritize routine and non-routine risks using a risk matrix.

The course focuses on organizing and managing qualitative risk assessment information.

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS

HIGHLIGHTS

During this interactive two-day course, experienced instructors will guide participants through implementing risk assessment tools by using practical examples and workshops.

- Overview of basic theories and principles of HAZID and risk assessment
- Description of qualitative and quantitative methodologies:
  - What-If analysis
  - HAZID
  - Job hazard analysis
- How to decide when to apply risk assessment
- Review of the capabilities and limitations of tools and when to use them
- How to rank and prioritize the hazards
- Risk management and mitigation
MARINE CRISIS MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

COURSE HF005

Contingency planning is a critical activity for organizations and communities to prepare themselves to respond well to a disaster event and its potential impacts. Being prepared for emergencies involves making advanced decisions about managing human, financial, and material resources, and coordinating communication procedures.

The course covers a general spectrum of maritime sectors. The course focuses on organizing a crisis team and assigning resources to resolve problems and introduces predictive techniques.

Participants will learn how to manage an incident to protect life, the environment, property, and their company’s reputation. Methods are introduced to identify the causes and consequences and take measures to minimize the likelihood of the event happening or reduce the impact on the asset or its surroundings.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this interactive one-day course, participants will learn how to establish contingency plans and be able to respond in case of an emergency. Topics include:

- Crisis and emergency management
- Four phases of management
- Emergency organization
- Emergency operations center
- Crisis management plan
- Tiered response and marine claims

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
Behavior-based safety (BBS) is a broad term used to encompass everything from basic employee behavior audits and feedback to a comprehensive safety management system. The overarching goal is to support or change a company’s safety culture.

This course is intended to enhance participants’ understanding of the fundamentals of occupational health and safety, as well as concepts and methodology to effectively implement and sustain a BBS system.

Participants will practice observation techniques designed to improve behavior patterns, thereby reducing workplace activity risk.

HIGHLIGHTS
This one-day interactive course includes workshops and case studies to enhance understanding of behavior-based safety.

- Purpose of BBS
- Fundamentals of BBS
- Safety performance and safety culture
- Recognizing at-risk behaviors
- Implementing BBS and observation techniques
- Developing BBS checklists
- Sustaining a BBS system

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
Marine classification is a verification of compliance to statutory regulations and recognized standards. It protects capital investment, shows responsible stewardship, and meets underwriting requirements. For newbuilds, surveyors attend the vessel during construction and sea trials to confirm construction compliance. Materials and principal equipment, including engines and alternators, are certified at this time.

This course addresses the steps for the classification and certification of a vessel from order to delivery. Participants will be introduced to the roles of engineering and survey for classing new vessels and understand the requirements for plan reviews of hull, machinery, piping, and other vessel systems. Participants will also review Rules, standards, and other regulations related to classification and certification of vessels and understand the scope of surveys during construction.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

In this two-day course, experienced instructors will explain best practices to prepare for new construction class and statutory surveys to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- What is classification?
- What are statutory requirements?
- Hull Rules and plan review
- Machinery Rules and plan review
- Piping and electrical installations
- Materials and welding
- Nondestructive testing and evaluation
- New construction surveys
- Cargo gear
- Type approval
- Load line
- Tonnage
- MARPOL
- SOLAS

**COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS**
ORIENTATION TO IN-SERVICE CLASSIFICATION AND STATUTORY SURVEYS

COURSE REG002

The classification process and its interrelationship with international and flag regulations is not always well understood.

This course, specifically structured for those in a supervisory role within a shipowning, operating, or management company, provides participants with insight into the evolution of classification and statutory requirements, with particular emphasis on in-service surveys.

HIGHLIGHTS

During this two-day course, experienced instructors explain best practices to prepare for in-service class and statutory surveys to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Evolution of classification societies and IACS
- Scope of classification surveys:
  - Surveyor’s role
  - Class surveys
  - Surveys during construction
  - Damage surveys
  - Transfer of class
  - Surveys during sale of vessel
  - Equipment certification
  - Cargo gear surveys
  - Dual/double class
- Relationship between classification and statutory surveys
- Scope of statutory surveys:
  - Delegation of authority by flag Administrations
  - Status of the surveyor during statutory surveys
  - Load line surveys
  - Safety construction, safety equipment, safety radio surveys
  - Intervals and scope
  - MARPOL surveys
  - Other surveys related to statutory work

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
HAZARDOUS AREAS CLASSIFICATION
COURSE DES028

Do you know the common principles behind the various codes and standards for hazardous areas? Learn how failing to address hazardous area issues early in the design process can lead to issues with suboptimal solutions later.

The course highlights how hazardous areas are classified on ships and offshore units. Participants will discuss the criteria and precautions for selecting and installing equipment in hazardous areas based on ABS Rules and industry standards.

Through discussions and exercises, participants will gain insight about how hazardous areas are developed for ships and offshore units.

HIGHLIGHTS

During this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors will examine classification issues for hazardous areas.

- Procedures for designating hazardous areas and application of various codes
- Effect of boundaries, openings, cable penetrations, ventilation, over-pressurization, and air locks
- Principles of key protection techniques and reasons why some techniques are limited
- Designated non-hazardous areas
- Examples of hazardous area identification for different assets and operating areas

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
HULL OUTFITTING
COURSE NC003

Do you know the critical issues associated with the various hull outfitting components? Learn how to assess these issues in line with classification and statutory requirements.

This course provides an in-depth discussion about the hull outfitting installation and testing processes associated with the fabrication of steel ships.

Participants will become more familiar with the ABS requirements for installing the hull outfitting items.

HIGHLIGHTS
During this one-day course, experienced instructors will examine classification issues for hull outfitting. Topics include:
- Mooring and towing equipment
- Emergency towing arrangement
- Rudders and steering system arrangements
- Watertight bulkhead doors
- Bow, side shell opening and ramps

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
MACHINERY OUTFITTING
COURSE NC004

What are critical issues associated with machinery outfitting components? Learn how to assess these issues in line with classification and statutory requirements.

In this course, the machinery installation and testing process associated with the fabrication of steel ships will be discussed.

Participants will become more familiar with the ABS requirements for installing the main machinery plants and equipment.

HIGHLIGHTS
During this two-day course, experienced instructors will examine classification issues for machinery outfitting. Topics include:

• Propulsion and maneuvering machinery: propellers, thrusters and dynamic positioning systems, propulsion shafting, steering, and reduction gears
• Prime movers: steam turbines, diesel engines, turbochargers, and gas turbines
• Auxiliaries and auxiliary systems: auxiliary boilers and pressure vessels, main propulsion boilers, air compressors and air reservoirs, cargo and ballast pumps, valve remote system, and gas detection system in tankers
• Piping systems

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
It’s a fact of doing business. Marine vessels are subject to drydocking throughout their service lives. This includes scheduled surveys, unexpected repairs, and unscheduled maintenance.

Marine inspectors, surveyors, and superintendents need to be familiar with the operational and administrative aspects involved in drydocking and repairs, including tenders and contracts.

Through discussions and exercises, participants will become familiar with various facilities and preparation techniques related to classification surveys.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

In this interactive one-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through best practices for drydocking preparation and repairs to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Reasons for drydocking
- Safety precautions during drydock preparation
- Classification surveys during drydock
- Tenders and contracts
- Reports and records after drydock
- Decision making for awarding repair contract
- Shipyard production schedules and daily project management
- Quality control, safety, time constraints, work complexities, and interrelations
- Qualitative and quantitative measures for drydock completion
- Handling extensions of overall repair time

**COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY**

ABS ACADEMY
Although shaft alignment is measured in tenths of a millimeter, a shaft that is out of alignment can disable a ship the size of the tallest skyscraper. Misalignment can occur for a number of reasons. Sometimes loads are carried by just the edge of the bearing, and sometimes loads are transferred completely off one bearing and added to the next.

Because the weight of the shaft is so great, improperly distributed forces can damage the bearings and shaft and even cripple the engine by destroying the main bearing or warping the crankshaft. The whole issue becomes how to calculate bearing offsets to account for hull deflection.

In this course, participants learn the theory behind the ABS Rules for shaft alignment, as well as measurement criteria and tools used during the shaft alignment process. Emphasis is given to practical alignment procedures and mitigation techniques to diagnose and prevent commonly experienced issues.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

In this interactive two-day course, experienced instructors will take participants through best practices for shaft alignment to confirm that the concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Shaft alignment from theory to practice
- Alignment-related risks, including cause and effect
- Practical alignment procedures:
  - Sighting through
  - Stern frame boring
  - Bearing slope boring
  - Engine bedplate pre-sagging
  - Gap and sag
  - Reactions measurements
  - Crankshaft deflections
  - Strain gauge installation
- Classification requirements
- Alignment optimization and hull deflections
- Video and live demonstration with the GE Bentley Nevada experimental rotor kit

**COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS**
The ABS Hull Inspection and Maintenance Program (HIMP) was designed to help shipowners and operators effectively inspect and maintain the hull structures on their vessels. HIMP inspections help shipowners systematically identify, record, examine, and grade hull structure conditions, including defects.

This course provides participants with an understanding of a vessel's critical structural areas for the purpose of periodic surveillance. Shipowners will benefit by learning how to develop an effective hull inspection and maintenance program based on HIMP requirements.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

In this one-day course, experienced instructors will explain how to structure and conduct an owner's hull inspection and maintenance program in alignment with HIMP.

- Inspection criteria
- Inspection planning
- Inspection technique
- Safety practices, including confined space entry
- Critical areas
- Zoning methodology
- Workshop on grading structure
- Inspection reporting

**COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY**
HULL INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM: QUALIFIED INSPECTOR

COURSE MIN005

The ABS Hull Inspection and Maintenance Program (HIMP) was designed to help shipowners and operators effectively inspect and maintain the hull structures on their vessels. Owners’ hull inspection and maintenance schemes should be considered a means for maintaining compliance with classification and statutory requirements between surveys.

For vessels enrolled in HIMP, a qualified inspector must be a full-time employee of the owner and trained to carry out visual examinations of vessel hull structures. Inspectors performing HIMP evaluations must be qualified for the vessel type they are inspecting. Inspector qualifications are vessel-type specific and are not transferable between significantly different hull structures.

With this in mind, the course can be structured for vessel-specific types, such as oil tankers (includes FPSOs and FSOs), bulk carriers, containerships, self-elevating drilling units, drillships, and column-stabilized units. Where an owner’s inspection team needs to inspect multiple vessel types, the course may be extended to accommodate requirements for various hull structures.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this two-day course, participants will learn how structural inspections are conducted to meet the requirements of HIMP using the ABS Nautical Systems Hull Inspection software.

- Loads imposed on the structure through operations
- Response of the structure to imposed loads
- Understanding critical areas
- Typical failures in service including material degradation, mechanical damage, and fatigue
- Understanding shipyard drawings
- Zoning methodology
- Inspection criteria
- Workshop on grading structure by each criterion
- Inspection planning and techniques
- Safety practices including confined space entry
- Workshop on critical areas, inspection data entry, and reporting

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
WELDING INSPECTIONS FOR SUPERINTENDENTS

COURSE MIN010

Weld quality standards may differ from job to job, but the use of appropriate weld techniques can provide assurance that applicable standards are met. Whatever the standard of quality, all welds should be inspected, even if the inspection involves nothing more than the welder looking after his own work after each weld pass.

A good-looking weld surface appearance is typically considered of high weld quality. However, surface appearance alone does not equal good workmanship or internal quality.

Nondestructive examination (NDE) methods of inspection make it possible to verify compliance to applicable standards on an ongoing basis by examining the surface and subsurface of the weld and surrounding base material.

This course is intended to provide participants with awareness to enable them to conduct basic welding inspections and understand the basics of NDE.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this two-day course, experienced instructors use case studies and workshops so concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Introduction and overview
- Basics of welding
- Weld joint geometry
- Welding terminology and symbols
- Welding procedures and welder qualification
- Repair welding and surfacing
- Visual inspections
- Overview of NDE methods:
  - Liquid penetrant testing
  - Magnetic particle inspection
  - Ultrasonic inspection
  - Radiography

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
In manufacturing, welds are commonly used to join two or more metal parts. Because these connections may encounter loads and fatigue during product lifetime, they could fail if not created to proper specification. This course is intended to provide participants with knowledge to carry out welding inspections, appreciate the basics of nondestructive examination, and understand the welding requirements to comply with the ABS Rules.

This course provides an overview of materials and welding technology, current welding evaluation practices for marine construction and repair, and an understanding of the important aspects of steel welding and nondestructive evaluation. The ABS Rule requirements are highlighted with practical examples and case studies to explain the application of the requirements.

**HIGHLIGHTS**
In this interactive five-day course, experienced instructors explain best practices for conducting welding inspections and nondestructive examination to confirm concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Introduction to welding and metallurgy
- Steel production and properties
- Mechanical properties of materials
- Basic welding metallurgy
- Heat flow and residual stresses
- Standard tests
- Filler metal selection
- Weld joint geometry and welding terminology
- Welding positions, welds, and welding symbols
- Welding high-strength, low-alloy steel
- Welding discontinuities and welding sequence
- Weld and structure repairs
- Welding procedure specification (WPS)
- Procedure qualification records (PQR)
- Nondestructive examination methods
- Visual inspection

**COURSE DURATION: 5 DAYS**
ELECTRICAL AND AUTOMATION SYSTEMS

COURSE NC005

Do you know the critical issues associated with installing and testing electrical and automation systems? Learn how to assess these issues in line with classification and statutory requirements.

This course provides an in-depth discussion about installing and testing electrical and automation systems that are associated with the fabrication of steel ships.

Participants will become familiar with the ABS requirements for installation and testing electrical and automation systems.

HIGHLIGHTS

During this two-day course, experienced instructors will cover electrical and automation systems. Topics include:

- Electrical load and short circuit analysis
- Protective device coordination studies
- Wiring practices and cable installation
- AC generators and switchboard
- General equipment, IP ratings, and ship-type specifics
- Motor starters and variable frequency drives
- Essential and emergency services
- Drawing submission and test requirements
- Grounding, harmonics, and hazardous areas
- Dynamic positioning
- Automation: Electric propulsion, steering, and PLCs
- Safety issues and high-voltage systems
- New technology: Solar panels, cold ironing, wireless systems and fuel cells

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
High-voltage electrical systems introduce serious exposure risks that are not always obvious. Extreme caution must be exercised when coming into close proximity of high-voltage systems, because exposure to hazards can cause serious injury or even death.

This course covers the main branches of high-voltage technology applied to ship electrical energy and automation systems. Each element of the course reviews high-voltage system components and the procedures for their installation, testing, and maintenance. Components within the high-voltage electrical network, including power generation plants, power distribution switchboards, power earthing schemes, electric protection schemes, and power loads from motors and lighting will be discussed.

Participants will gain a thorough understanding of the reasons why high-voltage technology is applied, the advantages it provides, as well as some disadvantages that have to be carefully taken into account.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this one-day course, experienced instructors will explain the application of electrical equipment in hazardous areas and the advantages and disadvantages of high-voltage technology.

- Reasons to use high-voltage technology
- High-voltage grid configurations
- High-voltage systems and components
- Earthing schemes in high-voltage grids
- Power quality issues with high-voltage systems
- Protection principles
- Power management systems
- Electric propulsion
- Power electronic converters
- Hazards and safety measures for high-voltage systems

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
Advancement in the offshore oil and gas industry depends on equipment and its increasing ability to tolerate extreme temperatures, high pressures, and demanding operating conditions. Because of these conditions, drilling systems, related subsystems, equipment, and components must be reliable. Offshore operators demonstrate a higher level of safety compliance by maintaining classification of drilling systems.

This course explains the compliance requirements of the ABS Guide for the Classification of Drilling Systems for new construction and throughout service life. Drilling systems and equipment designed and manufactured in accordance with this Guide comply with the applicable requirements of the American Petroleum Institute (API).

Drilling systems and components designed and manufactured in accordance with this Guide and the applicable US Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) will comply with US Coast Guard requirements. If specifically requested by the owner, this Guide can also be used as a basis for acceptance or certification under the requirements for other Administrations.

HIGHLIGHTS
During this two-day course, experienced instructors will explain the classification aspects for drilling systems. The course features targeted workshops to promote discussion and participation.

- Introduction to well design, construction, and control
- Drilling systems overview
- Overview of ABS Guide
- Equipment certification requirements
- Component inspection and testing
- Survey requirements
- Materials, welding, and nondestructive testing
- Electrical and automation criteria

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
IN-SERVICE CLASSIFICATION AND STATUTORY SURVEYS FOR MODUs
COURSE REG005

Classification is a life cycle approach to the design, construction, and operation of a drilling unit. After delivery, maintenance of class requires periodic surveys to verify that the mobile offshore drilling unit (MODU) remains in compliance with classification Rules and statutory requirements.

Verification of compliance protects capital investments, shows responsible stewardship, and meets underwriting requirements.

This course explains the requirements in the IMO MODU Code and classification Rules from the in-service perspective of the owner of a MODU. In this course, participants will learn what to expect and how to prepare for class and statutory surveys.

HIGHLIGHTS
In this three-day course, experienced instructors use case studies and workshops so concepts are clearly defined and understood.

- Review of oil and gas production and types of units
- Overview of the MODU Code, including certification and documentation requirements
- Application of SOLAS, including bridge and navigation equipment for self-propelled units
- Safety concerns, including passive and active fire protection, firefighting systems, lifesaving equipment, and escape and egress
- Application of MARPOL annexes for pollution prevention
- Application of ISM Code and ILO MLC Convention, 2006
- Application of 33 and 46 CFR
- Practical aspects for classification of drilling systems
- Survey after construction requirements for MODUs
- Practical session on survey planning
- Checklist: Interpretation and use for survey preparation
- Crane maintenance and survey requirements
- Primary and secondary structures, wastage allowances, fatigue, and redundancy
- Welding, materials, nondestructive testing, and welding/fabrication concerns

COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS
Any fire outbreak on a maritime vessel poses significant risk to the safety of the individuals on board. Unlike a land-based fire, a ship’s crew is not able to walk away from a fire at sea and rely on the local fire department to extinguish it. With limited resources, crews may be expected to deal with fire incidents that would test even the most experienced firefighters.

Oil and gas exploration and production at sea require particularly extensive safety measures. Given the hydrocarbon production and processing systems, along with associated utility and safety systems, this course helps participants understand the principal fire and lifesaving safety concerns associated with floating offshore installations.

HIGHLIGHTS

During this interactive two-day course, experienced instructors will guide participants through the requirements for fire and lifesaving on floating offshore installations.

- Applicable classification Rules, statutory requirements, and reference sources
- Overall facility layout including the concept of safe design
- Identification, classification, and separation of potential ignition sources from fuel inventory
- Pool, spray, jet fire, and explosion considerations
- Fire and explosion mitigation techniques
- Underlying principles of structural fire protection
- Safety case requirements and guidance documents
- Principles of escape, evacuation, and rescue, including the safety refuge concept
- Statutory requirements for lifesaving appliances
- Case study on facility design
- Survey of related items during and after construction

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
Permanently moored, floating production, storage, and offloading units (FPSOs) are viable development solutions for different offshore field situations. Because FPSOs can be disconnected from their moorings, these offshore production vessels are optimal for areas that experience adverse weather conditions, such as cyclones and hurricanes.

This course addresses the technical issues for the classification of FPSOs and FSO vessels. ABS Rules are used throughout to reference the applicable procedures and standards.

This course is a must for designers, engineers, planners, project managers, owners, and operators involved in the design, supply, installation and operation of an F(P)SO project.

Participants will gain valuable insight into the application of Rules, Guides, standards, and regulations associated with an ABS-classed facility.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

During this interactive two-day course, experienced instructors will explain the classification aspects for F(P)SO projects. The course features targeted workshops to promote discussion and participation.

- Applicable Rules and regulations
- Load modeling and fatigue
- Initial scantling evaluation and total strength approach
- Dynamic load assessment and spectral fatigue analysis
- Lessons learned for conversions
- Hazardous areas and risk assessment techniques
- Fire and blast modeling
- Safe escape and egress
- Hydrocarbon process or industrial systems
- Process support and marine systems
- Mooring systems and challenges of deepwater mooring
- Design environmental criteria

**COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS**
FPSOs/FSOs: STRUCTURAL ASSESSMENT
COURSE DES012

Whether you are converting an oil tanker to a floating production, storage, and offloading unit (FPSO) or building new, do you know what is involved with the structural assessment?

This course is intended for companies considering either a newbuild FPSO or conversion to an FPSO. The requirements associated with the verification of FPSO and FSO structures as outlined in the ABS Rules for Building and Classing Floating Production Installations will be discussed.

Participants will be guided through the ABS design review process to facilitate an understanding of how to prepare submissions for classification review.

HIGHLIGHTS
During this three-day course, experienced instructors will explain the requirements for structural assessment of F(P)SO projects. The course features targeted workshops to promote discussion and participation. Topics include:

- Overview of ABS ship-type floating production installation requirements
- Initial scantling evaluation (ISE) strength: Midship section scantlings, model generation, transverse bulkheads, longitudinal and main supporting members
- Workshop on midship section design
- Sea environment assessment system (SEAS) modeling: Metocean and design waves, motions, loads, fatigue, and environmental severity factors (ESF) concept
- Workshop on ESF calculations for onsite and history routes
- ISE fatigue damage criteria for critical locations
- Workshop on longitudinal stiffeners and simplified fatigue evaluation
- Finite element analysis (FEA) software demonstration

COURSE DURATION: 3 DAYS
Can you fit an entire onshore LNG plant onto a single floating LNG vessel? Floating liquefied natural gas (FLNG) refers to water-based LNG operations employing technologies designed to enable the development of offshore natural gas resources.

This technology is relatively new and there are a lot of questions about the classification and statutory requirements associated with floating offshore gas units.

During the course, participants will receive an overview of ABS classification requirements for FLNG facilities. Particular attention is paid to safety measures for the facility based on the ABS Guide for Building and Classing Floating Offshore Liquefied Gas Terminals.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

During this one-day course, experienced instructors will discuss requirements for floating LNG facility projects.

- Overview of FLNG concepts including proposed projects and major concerns
- Applicable classification Rules, flag and coastal State requirements, and reference sources
- Onboard facilities and layouts, including safe design concept
- ABS novel concept approval process
- Cargo handling
- FEED review
- Special analysis and study requirements
- Safety case requirements
- Lessons learned

**COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY**
With ship operators facing economic pressures from fuel costs, combined with impending regulations aimed at reducing exhaust gas emissions, particularly for sulfur oxide (SOx) LNG-fueled marine propulsion systems are finding favor.

To help operators, ABS recently relocated its criteria for propulsion and auxiliary systems on gas-fueled ships to its Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels. This provides a single source for class and statutory requirements for gas-fueled ships other than liquefied gas carriers.

This course provides ship and shore staff with an enhanced understanding of the ABS requirements for LNG-fueled vessels and practical feedback about operating experience.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this one-day course, experienced instructors will take participants step by step through the operational and technical aspects of operating LNG-fueled vessels.

- Introduction and ABS classification requirements
- Ship arrangements and system designs
- Fuel bunkering systems
- Fuel gas supply systems
- Reliquefaction units
- Gas combustion units
- Dual-fuel diesel and single gas-fuel engines
- Dual-fuel gas turbines
- Surveys during and after construction
- Operating hazards

COURSE DURATION: 1 DAY
For many offshore activities, it is important to keep a vessel at a fixed position and heading. One option for position-keeping operations is dynamic positioning (DP). DP is a computer-controlled system to automatically maintain a vessel’s position and heading by using its own propellers and thrusters.

This course provides an overview of design and construction requirements, as well as technical requirements for DP systems. The overview includes factors that must be considered in designing a system, specifying the levels of redundancy, understanding component criticality, and properly selecting maintenance tasks.

Participants will be introduced to the process of risk assessment and learn how to apply the failure modes and effects (criticality) analysis (FMEA/FMECA) technique. The FMEA is optimally applied at the design stage, as well as the selection of maintenance tasks in the operation phase. Relevant FMEA workshops are included to enhance learning and understanding.

HIGHLIGHTS
Through workshops and case studies, participants will learn how to identify risks, analyze consequences, and act appropriately when installing DP systems.

- DP development and applications
- DP system basics and components
- ABS requirements, IMO regulations, and IMCA* guidelines
- Electrical, automation, and control requirements
- Introduction to risk assessment
- Background of FMEA and related standards
- Objectives and basic considerations of FMEA
- Main steps in FMEA preparation
- FMEA procedure
- Managing an FMEA project
- Overview of ABS risk management software

*International Marine Contractors Association

COURSE DURATION: 2 DAYS
With globalized trade, increased travel speeds, massive volumes of cargo shipments, and a rise in tourism, nonindigenous species are infiltrating the waters. Ballast water and sediments carried by ships are considered a major pathway for transporting harmful and invasive aquatic organisms and pathogens.

In 2004, IMO adopted the International Convention for Control and Management of Ships’ Ballast Water and Sediments. Since the adoption, requirements for compliance have evolved, and various ballast water treatment systems have been approved.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this interactive two-day course, participants will grasp the regulatory requirements and take steps to plan for and oversee the necessary retrofitting of ballast water treatment systems.

- Understanding how to comply with the Ballast Water Management Convention
- Regional, national, and local regulations
- Ballast water management technologies: Available and approved
- Forming a ballast water management plan
- Selecting a ballast water treatment system
- Case studies for retrofitting systems to different ship types
- Classification issues, including certification and performance, coatings, electrical load capacity, and chemical storage
- New construction considerations
- Crew training
WEB-BASED TRAINING

ABS Academy has developed a library of web-based training curricula that cover technical concepts, operational issues, and classification and regulatory requirements for marine and offshore organizations, including principles related to marine engineering and naval architecture.

With web-based training, geographic boundaries don’t exist. Training material can be accessed at any time and completed or referenced from nearly any location.

Web-based training is more cost-effective than classroom training. Fewer training days are required to complete the same content, as the same material in a classroom could take weeks rather than hours. The material is more consistent with web-based training, as users receive exactly the same information.

In addition, web-based training is easily scalable, allowing a large number of people to complete courses in a matter of hours.

WEB-BASED TRAINING ALLOWS USERS TO LEARN AT THEIR OWN PACE, AT A TIME THAT IS CONVENIENT.

ABS Academy offers subscription-based pricing for web-based training tracks specifically geared to marine or offshore new construction. Clients can also select curricula from our web-based training library to suit their specific learning needs.

Company-wide access to the courses is available for one calendar year.
ABS-CLASSED VESSELS: OIL TANKERS
(Duration: 2 hours)
• Oil Tankers: Overview
• Types, Classification, and Regulatory Aspects
• Structural Characteristics, Cargo Handling, and Safety Hazards
• Propulsion, Steering, Equipment, and Systems

COMMON ENGINEERING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES
(Duration: 11.5 hours)
• Naval Architecture 1
• Naval Architecture 2
• Marine Engineering 1
• Marine Engineering 2

HAZARDOUS AREAS
(Duration: 8 hours)
• Hazardous Areas 1
• Hazardous Areas 2
• Hazardous Areas 3

NONDESTRUCTIVE EVALUATION
(Duration: 7 hours)
• Nondestructive Test Certification
• Liquid Penetrant Testing
• Magnetic Particle Inspection Testing
• Ultrasonic Inspection Testing
• Radiography Inspection

BLUEPRINT READING AND INTERPRETATION
(Duration: 4 hours)
• Drawing Nomenclature
• Vessel Structures
• Hull Design Drawings
• Machinery Drawings
• Electrical Drawings
• Piping Drawings
• Outfitting Drawings

MATERIALS OVERVIEW
(Duration: 22.5 hours)
• Theory of Materials
• Steel Materials 1
• Steel Materials 2
• Non-Metallic Materials 1
• Non-Metallic Materials 2
• Non-Ferrous Materials
• Castings and Forgings
• Materials Testing
• Corrosion and Erosion
WEB-BASED TRAINING LISTING

WELDING INSPECTOR
(Duration: 15 hours)
• Material Types and Casting Discontinuities
• Material Properties, Characteristics, and Tests
• Welding Metallurgy, Joint Geometry, and Symbols
• Welding Processes
• Welding Discontinuities and Repairs
• Welding Procedure Qualification
• Welder Performance Qualification

ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS
(Duration: 12 hours)
• Basic Electrical Theory and Principles
• Applied Electrical Concepts
• Electrical System and Installation 1
• Electrical System and Installation 2
• Electrical Automation 1
• Electrical Automation 2

MAIN ELECTRIC POWER
(Duration: 8 hours)
• Electrical System Overview
• Power Distribution 1
• Power Distribution 2
• Transformers, Converters, and Shore Connection
• Typical Failures, Procedures, and Ship Requirements

PIPING SYSTEMS: GENERAL
(Duration: 13.5 hours)
• General Piping
• Piping System Components
• Basic Piping Design Requirements
• Piping Installation Requirements
• Specific Piping Material

PORT STATE CONTROL
(Duration: 6.5 hours)
• Introduction to Port State Control
• External Hull and Statutory Document Deficiencies
• Navigation Bridge and Hull Deficiencies
• Machinery Space Deficiencies
• Lifesaving Appliances, Ventilation Systems, and Firefighting Deficiencies
• Post-Detention

THICKNESS MEASUREMENTS FOR VESSELS
(Duration: 6.5 hours)
• Thickness Measurement Concepts and Tools
• General Thickness Measurement Process
• Substantial Corrosion
• Vessel Thickness Measurements

MODU OVERVIEW
(Duration: 3 hours)
• Introduction to MODUs
• Self-Elevating Drilling Units
• Surface-Type Drilling Units
• Column-Stabilized Drilling Units
WEB-BASED TRAINING LISTING

BASIC DRILLING AND WELL CONTROL
(Duration: 5.25 hours)
• Basic Petroleum Geology and Exploration
• Basic Offshore Drilling
• Basic Offshore Well Construction
• Basic Offshore Well Completion
• Basic Offshore Well Pressure Control
• Onboard Mud Circulation Systems
• Secondary Well Control

THICKNESS MEASUREMENTS FOR OFFSHORE UNITS
(Duration: 6.5 hours)
• Thickness Measurement Concepts and Tools
• General Thickness Measurement Process
• Substantial Corrosion
• Offshore Unit Thickness Measurements

MODU ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS
(Duration: 4 hours)
• MODU Electrical Systems 1
• MODU Electrical Systems 2

MODU PIPING SYSTEMS
(Duration: 6 hours)
• MODU Piping Systems 1
• MODU Piping Systems 2
• MODU Piping Systems 3

SHAFT ALIGNMENT
(Duration: 17 hours)
• Fundamentals
• Survey Preparation
• Procedures
• Sighting Methods
• Pre-Sighting and Stern Tube Bore Sighting
• Final Sight of the Stern Tube
• Tail Shaft Clearance Measurements
• Sag and Gap Measurements
• Bearing Reaction Measurements: Part 1
• Bearing Reaction Measurements: Part 2
• Bearing Reaction Measurements: Part 3
• Main Engine Installation and Gear Tooth Contact
• Sea Trials
• Sea Trials: Scenario 1
• Sea Trials: Scenario 2
LOOKING FOR A PRIVATE COURSE?

ABS Academy can tailor an instructor-led training course to meet your specific needs. If you have several employees interested in a particular course, talk to us about holding the course onsite at your facility to control costs and improve efficiencies.

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