

# ABS REMOTE SURVEY AND AUDIT FOR MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

Improved performance and efficiency through remote surveys and audits.



### **BENEFITS YOU WANT**

- Reduce logistical costs and time
- Minimize down time and impact of re-testing
- Improve scheduling efficiencies and operational flexibility
- Eliminate personnel constraints and conflicts
- Maintain inspections and certifications throughout COVID-19 crisis

With the recent global challenge of COVID-19, organizations are relying more heavily on remote and virtual operations. In response to the current situation, ABS is temporarily making its remote survey and audit services available to equipment and materials manufacturers and other key service providers. As we navigate the global pandemic guidance, clients will have access to 24-hour worldwide coverage and increased flexibility and efficiency for ABS surveys and audits.

The ABS Remote Survey program augments traditional survey through the transfer of digital documentation such as reports, photos and videos for non-attendance verification of select surveys. Adoption of this program

improves scheduling efficiencies and reduces operational disruptions. With ABS Remote Survey you can complete select surveys on time without physical surveyor attendance. All requests are subject to ABS review and acceptance on a case-by-case basis.

## REMOTE SURVEY ELIGIBILITY

For existing ABS clients, the following ABS unit certification surveys are eligible for remote attendance\*:

- · Equipment Certification
- · Materials Certification
- Welding Procedure Qualification/ Welder Qualification

\*Equipment and material certifications are individually reviewed and may require follow up validation prior to final certification survey is completed.

#### REMOTE AUDIT ELIGIBILITY

For existing ABS clients, the following ABS audits are eligible for remote attendance:

- Type Approval Audits
  - Manufacturing Assessment (MA)
  - Product Quality Assurance (POA)
- · External Specialist Audits
- Service Provider Audits
- Container Facility Audits
- Material Manufacturer Audits\*\*
  - \* Currently, initial audits are not a part of the program.
  - \*\*Facility types excluded offshore mooring chain and accessories.



# GETTING STARTED WITH REMOTE SURVEYS AND AUDITS

Existing clients can create a new account and order all eligible surveys and audits remotely through a user-friendly, web-based platform. Once the survey or audit requests are submitted along with supporting

information, an ABS surveyor reviews the request to ensure all criteria are met, including Flag State approval when necessary.

Clients then have the option to interact within a mobile-friendly environment to easily capture and transmit all required videos, images and documentation while onboard in both a connected and disconnected environment that sync seamlessly.

Additionally, clients can choose to use the web-based platform to submit all required documentation from an office environment. All of this allows you to order and conduct your remote surveys and audits – Anytime. Anywhere. Any Way.

# Quality surveys and audits made easy.

We offer an easy and simple 4-step process to request your remote surveys and audits.

- 01
- Log-in, submit request and supporting documentation.
- 02
- ABS surveyor reviews request and responds within 24 hours.
- 03
- Remote attendance is scheduled, if necessary.
- 04

Survey or audit credit is accepted or declined.



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