



APPROVED SERVICE PROVIDER CERTIFICATION

This voluntary certification is for qualified service providers who offer specialized services that support manufacturing activities, asset monitoring and enhance existing marine and offshore safety practices.

ELIGIBILITY

Service providers must actively maintain a quality management system and have a valid ISO 9001 Certification or equivalent.

Service types eligible for this program are outside the scope covered by IACS UR Z17 and existing ABS Rules and Guides. Normally these services are regulated by a manufacturer's specifications or instructions, national and/or international standards. The service results do not have a direct impact on survey decisions.

Examples of eligible service specializations include but are not limited to in-shop inspection, machining, installation, maintenance, welding, testing, laser peening, refurbishing and in-process manufacturing activities.

If your firm performs Non-Destructive Examination activities in support of surveys on ABS Classed vessels, this is outside the scope of this service. Instead please contact ABS to apply for an ABS External Specialist Certification.

If your firm is a steel mill, heat treatment facility, welding consumable manufacturer, aluminum mill, casting facility, forge or foundry, as well as some process approval specific to material fabrication these are also outside the scope of the Service. Instead please contact your port office ABS to apply for an ABS Materials Manufacturer Certification.

BENEFITS OF ABS RECOGNITION

- Demonstration of conformity to recognized industry standards and applicable ABS Rules
- Advantage in market competition by proving your quality management processes
- Boost reputation among equipment manufacturers, shipyards and vessel operators seeking the service capability
- Certificates are listed in the ABS Approved Service Provider database, searchable by worldwide clients

To apply for Approved Service Provider Certification, please contact Corporate ABS Programs at absta-programs@eagle.org

CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

STEP 01	Complete the application and submit a signed copy to the nearest port office
STEP 02	Documentation review
STEP 03	Facility audit
STEP 04	Practical demonstration
STEP 05	Satisfactory reporting
STEP 06	Issuance of certificate, valid for 5 years, subject to annual audits



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