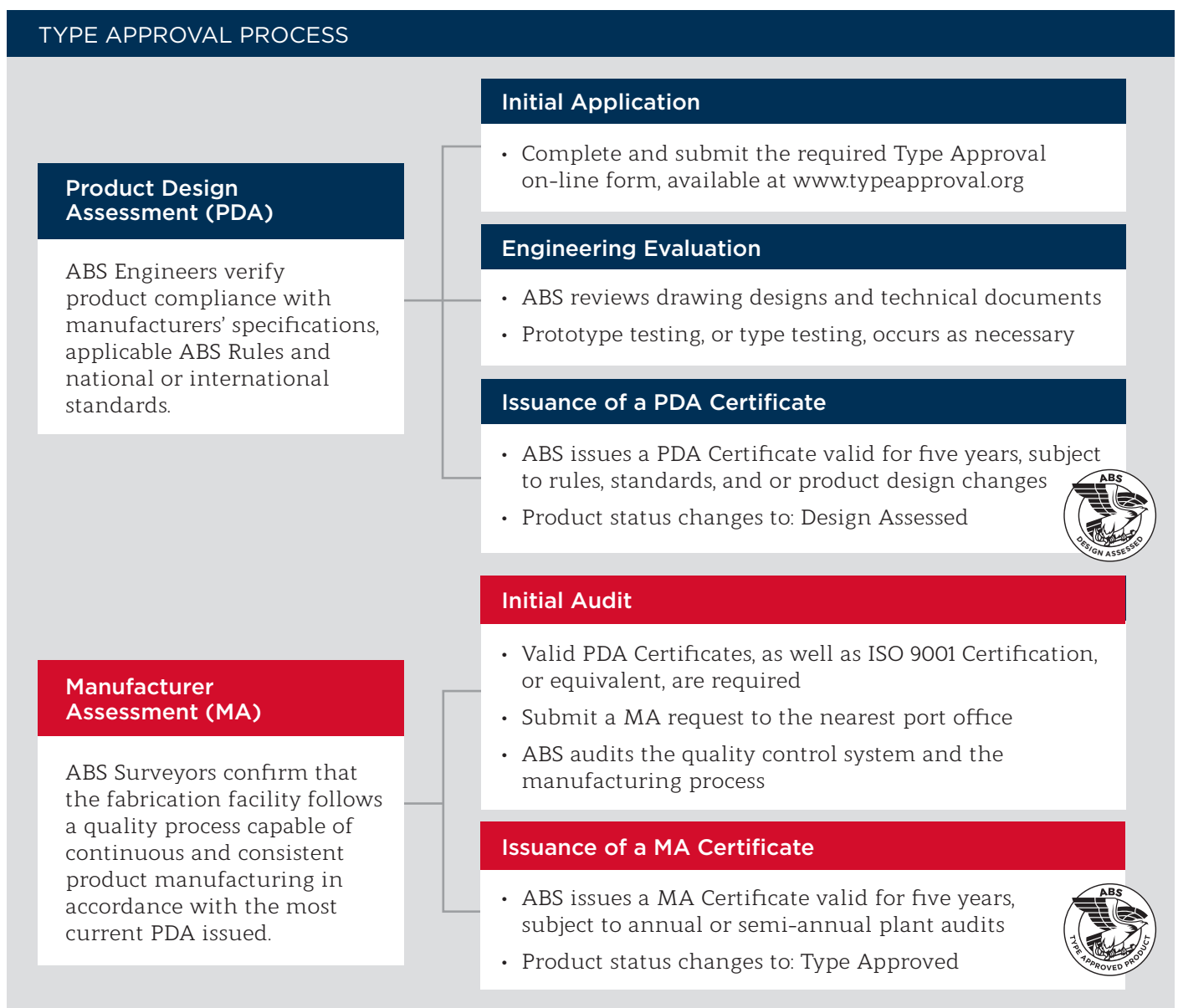


TYPE APPROVAL PROGRAM

A voluntary and efficient product approval solution suitable for qualified manufacturers who are targeting promotion of their products to the marine and offshore market sectors.



BENEFITS OF ABS TYPE APPROVAL RECOGNITION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faster approval for equipment acceptance on ABS-classed units Reduced repetitive engineering review and survey attendance for eligible products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flexible approach to suit your business needs Demonstration of conformity to recognized industry quality standards and applicable ABS Rules
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ABS TYPE APPROVAL PROGRAM OPTIONS

Review on Behalf of the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

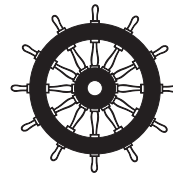
ABS is approved to carry out reviews on behalf of the USCG for launching appliances.

Upon successful review, clients can submit the review package to the USCG for overview and receive a USCG Type Approval Certificate.

As a USCG Accepted Independent Laboratory, ABS can witness production testing on behalf of the USCG where designated to do so.

European Union Marine Equipment Directive (EU MED)

ABS Europe Ltd. is a Notified Body under the authorization of the UK MCA and can perform conformity assessment for equipment listed in the marine equipment directive. Upon satisfactory completion of both the design assessment and the manufacturing assessment, certificates will be issued for the applicable MED module(s); equipment with appropriate modules may be marked with the “wheel mark”.



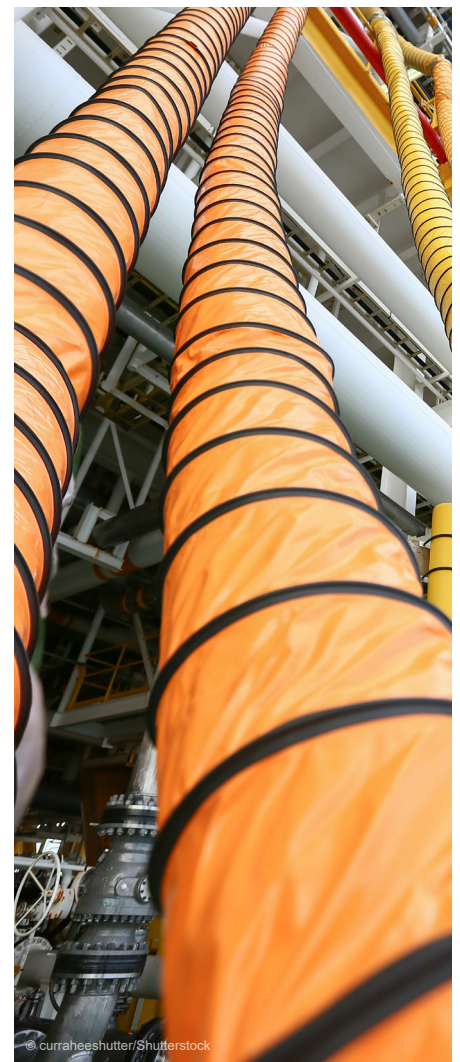
European Union Mutual Recognition (EU MR)

ABS is an EU Recognized Organization (RO) authorized to provide type approval certification for equipment covered under Article 10.1 of Regulation (EC) No.391/2009.

Equipment with ABS issued EU MR Type Approval Certification is acceptable by all Class Societies for installation on vessels of European Union flags signatory to Article 10.1. This eliminates the need for a manufacturer to obtain multiple certifications from varied EU ROs.



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