



# Conformity Assessment 4-Phase Certification Process





# ASME Conformity Assessment Program

## A Universally Recognized QA Program

ASME's Conformity Assessment (CA) program is the leading, universally recognized, independent Quality Assurance (QA) program for products, parts, and processes that conform to the rigorous requirements of ASME Codes and Standards. Businesses and regulators around the world rely on the ASME CA Certification Mark (The Mark). It is the clearest way to tell customers, supply chain, industry, and regulators that your company is committed to public safety and quality.

- Discover new market opportunities
- Drive operational efficiencies
- Gain global trust and recognition
- Level the playing field

## ASME'S 4-Phase Certification Process

The CA process consists of four (4) phases that take approximately six (6) months to complete.

### 1 Preparation

The preparation phase will help you to achieve a thorough understanding of the accreditation/certification program. This includes:

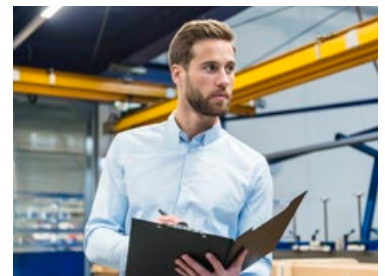
- Reviewing any relevant information about the program
- Deciding on the ASME certified scope of work
- Obtaining any required standards
- Entering into an Authorized Inspection Agency (AIA) agreement
- Preparing the manual—a written description of your quality program
- Selecting and training personnel to implement the quality program



### 2 Application

During the application phase, you'll need to review and fill out all application forms and submit any fees. This includes:

- For new customers, creating a CA Connect account
- For existing account holders, confirming or updating the primary contact
- Completing the relevant application
- Submitting a signed Accreditation and Certification Agreement Form
- Sending in any associated fees



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### Assessment

The purpose of the assessment phase is to evaluate your quality manual and quality program's implementation. Assessments take place at any location(s) performing activities that affect or control quality. This phase ensures that your quality program has been adequately implemented and complies with the requirements in the associated ASME standard. It includes the following steps:

- 1. Manual Review:** Off-site review of your quality manual.
- 2. Entrance Meeting / Facility Tour:** On-site review of your application with the Joint Review Team, after which, you'll provide a facility tour.
- 3. Implementation:** Provide a demonstration of your quality assurance program. The Joint Review Team will identify any deficiencies.
- 4. Team Closed Meeting:** The Joint Review Team will meet to discuss the results and put together their recommendation for ASME.
- 5. Exit Meeting:** The Joint Review Team provides the results of the Assessment and their recommendation to ASME.



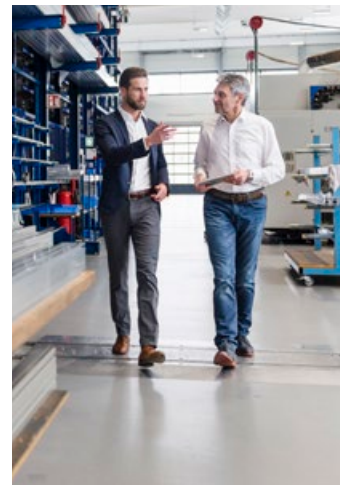
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### Certification

Once you have addressed all open deficiencies issued during the Assessment, within the agreed upon time frame, ASME will grant your Certificate of Authorization. As an ASME Certificate Holder, you have access to many promotional tools that can help you generate new business. These include:

- Your ASME Single Certification Mark
- Print and digital banners for your website and trade shows
- Brochures you can hand out to customers or at events
- Videos on Conformity Assessment for your site and more...

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