

ABS Consulting Releases Key Paper on Cybersecurity Training

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-- ABSG Consulting Inc. (ABS
Consulting), a global leader in safety,
risk and asset integrity management,
has released a pivotal paper to support
vessel and facility owners and
operators in meeting compliance with
the U.S. Coast Guard's (USCG) Maritime
Cyber Rule. This paper outlines
practical steps to meet the first
cybersecurity training deadline of
January 12, 2026.



Titled <u>From Final Rule to Fully Trained: Practical Direction for Meeting the U.S.</u> Coast Guard's Maritime Cybersecurity Requirements, this resource is the third in a series of papers reflecting ABS Consulting's expertise in helping the maritime industry navigate the evolving digital threat landscape. The paper explores the foundational stage of compliance: cybersecurity training.

As cyberattacks become increasingly common, it is critical to establish a robust cybersecurity culture at every level of operations. A single breach poses the risk of untold costs to both finances and reputation, in addition to potentially devastating impacts on the global supply chain and critical infrastructure. To mitigate these risks, the USCG regulation requires that all staff members participate in role-specific training, which will focus on recognizing, detecting and reporting threats, as well as implementing countermeasures to prevent cyberattacks. Compliance is not optional—a failure to implement the required training could lead to penalties or a halt to operations.

In addition to this paper, ABS Consulting has also introduced the MTSA Cybersecurity Training Series, a suite of convenient, role-based online courses designed using real-world scenarios. Companies can help to secure their operations, earn a recognized certification, track progress and confidently meet the January 12, 2026, deadline.

Learn more about ABS Consulting's maritime cybersecurity work. Also available for download is

ABS Consulting's first report in its maritime cybersecurity series, Managing Maritime Cyber Risk – Rising to USCG's New Maritime Security Directive (https://www.abs-group.com/Knowledge-Center/Insights/Managing-Maritime-Cybersecurity-Risk-%E2%80%93-Rising-to-USCGs-New-Maritime-Security-Directive/) in addition to the second paper, Operationalizing Maritime Cybersecurity: A Strategic Approach for the Cruise Industry. (https://www.abs-group.com/Knowledge-Center/Insights/Operationalizing-Maritime-Cybersecurity-for-the-Cruise-Industry/)

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☐ You will also find the paper attached for easy download and reference.

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