



About Us

The Association of Canada Lands Surveyors (ACLS) is the national licensing body for professionals who survey in Canada's three Canadian territories, in Federal parks, Indigenous reserves, and on Canada's three oceans. The ACLS also manages the Canadian Hydrographer Certification Program.



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The Canadian Hydrographer Certification Program provides a pathway for certification of hydrographic and offshore surveyors to international standards. The certification process is designed to ensure that those purporting to be hydrographic or offshore specialists have the appropriate skills, knowledge and experience to meet contemporary demands.

The Program applies competency standards developed by the FIG/IHO/ICA International Board (IB) whilst confirming evidence of a candidates' academic study combined with a detailed assessment of their employment history plus other relevant experience in order to award certification.

For detailed information on the Program go to www.acls-aatc.ca/members-home/forms/



Certification Process

The Program has two levels of Certification. The first level is for project leaders and managers and the second level is for technologists. Each level has a variety of itineraries towards certification depending on the individual's academic background and experience. Those candidates who have graduated from an FIG/IHO/ICA recognized S-5 Category A or B training only need to meet the experience and project report requirements. Other candidates will need to also have their academic profile assessed by the Canadian Hydrographer Certification Panel, which is formed by individuals from private industry, government and academia. In some cases, these candidates will have to write examinations.



Specifics for Cat A and Cat B Training

Those successful candidates who have graduated from an FIG/IHO/ICA recognized S-5 Category A or Category B programs will have that mentioned on their certificate.

