Navy Accepts Delivery of Ship to Shore Connector, LCAC 112



LCAC 112 was delivered to the Navy on March 13. US Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) photo.
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NEW ORLEANS – The U.S. Navy accepted delivery of Ship to Shore Connector, Landing Craft, Air Cushion (LCAC) 112, from Textron Systems, March 13.

Delivery of LCAC 112 follows completion of acceptance trials and represents the official transfer of the craft from the shipbuilder to the Navy. During acceptance trials, the Navy's Board of Inspection and Survey tested the readiness and capability of the craft to effectively meet requirements.

This addition to the fleet enhances Navy's amphibious capability, providing a vital asset for rapid deployment and logistical support.

“This new craft will provide the Navy and Marine Corps team with unparalleled capability in amphibious warfare, ensuring we remain agile and responsive to emerging threats and global challenges,” said Angela Bonner, program manager for Amphibious Assault and Connectors Programs, Program Executive Office, Ships (PEO Ships). “The introduction of LCAC 112 into our fleet marks another significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to maintain and enhance operational readiness.”

The current LCAC is built with configurations, dimensions, and clearances similar to legacy LCACs—ensuring that it is fully compatible with existing well deck-equipped amphibious ships. LCACs can carry an approximate 60 to 75-ton payload and primarily transport weapon systems, equipment, cargo, and assault element personnel through a wide range of conditions, including over-the-beach.

“The successful delivery of LCAC 112 demonstrates the strong partnership between the Navy and Textron Systems,” said Bonner. “This advanced craft will significantly enhance operations, providing a critical link in our ability to project power and support joint operations across the globe.” Textron Systems is currently in serial production of LCACs 113-125.

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