



# Intermodal Cargo Securement for North American Rail Service



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# **DAMAGE PREVENTION ■ LOADING SERVICES**

## The Association of American Railroads

Founded in 1934, AAR is the world's leading railroad policy, research, standard setting, and technology organization that focuses on the safety and productivity of the U.S. freight rail industry.

AAR Full members include the major freight railroads in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

# AAR Damage Prevention & Loading Services (DPLS)

(DPLS) conducts testing for railroads, shippers and suppliers in establishing industry approved loading rules and standards for closed car shipments, **intermodal containers and trailers** (including hazmat), automobile shipments, and open top shipments.

# AAR Bureau of Explosives (BOE)

The Bureau of Explosives (BOE) is a unique membership organization dedicated to helping carriers, shippers, and container manufacturers continually improve hazardous materials (hazmat) transportation safety.



# 49 CFR § 174.55

#### § 174.55 General requirements.

- (a) Each package containing a hazardous material being transported by rail in a freight container or transport vehicle must be loaded so that it cannot fall or slide and must be safeguarded in such a manner that other freight cannot fall onto or slide into it under conditions normally incident to transportation. When this protection cannot be provided by using other freight, it must be provided by blocking and bracing. For examples of blocking and bracing in freight containers and transport vehicles, see Bureau of Explosives Pamphlet No. 6 and the Intermodal Loading Guide for Products in Closed Trailers and Containers (IBR, see § 171.7 of this subchapter).
- (b) Each package containing a hazardous material bearing package orientation markings prescribed in § 172.312 of this subchapter must be loaded within a transport vehicle or freight container to remain in the correct position indicated by those markings during transportation.
- (c) The doors of a freight container or transport vehicle may not be used to secure a load that includes a package containing a hazardous material unless the doors meet the design strength requirements of Specification M-930 (for freight containers) and M-931 (for trailers) in the AAR's specification for "Specially Equipped Freight Car and Intermodal Equipment" (IBR, see § 171.7 of this subchapter) and the load is also within the limits of the design strength requirements for the doors.



# **DPLS Loading Rules and Standards**

**Circular 43-G**, Rules Governing the Loading, Blocking, and Bracing of Freight in Closed Trailers and Containers for TOFC/COFC Service



**Intermodal Loading Guide (ILG)** for Products in Closed Trailers and Containers (including HM)

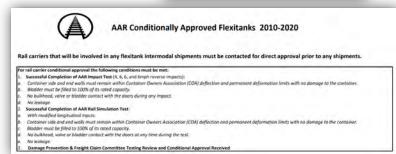
General Information Series Updates – Provides new loading methods approved subsequent to the ILG latest revision

**Flexitank Loading Information**, including AAR Conditionally Approved Flexitanks

**Note:** hazardous materials are prohibited in flexitank service.

https://aar.com/standards/IntermodalLoadingPublications.html







# **DPLS Loading Rules and Standards**

#### **Open Top Loading Rules**

Section 1, General Rules for Loading All commodities

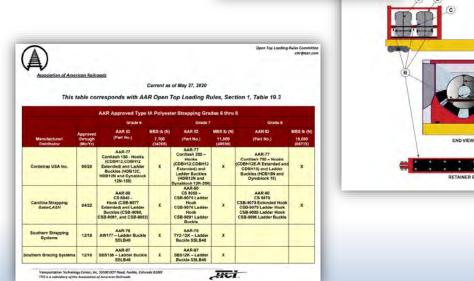
Section 7, Rules for Loading All Commodities on Open Top Trailers and Containers for Rail Transport

Online Library for the Open Top Loading Rules

https://my.aar.org/OTLR/

#### **Open Top Loading Rules Link**

http://www.aar.com/standards/OpenTop.html



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Open Top Trailers and Containers

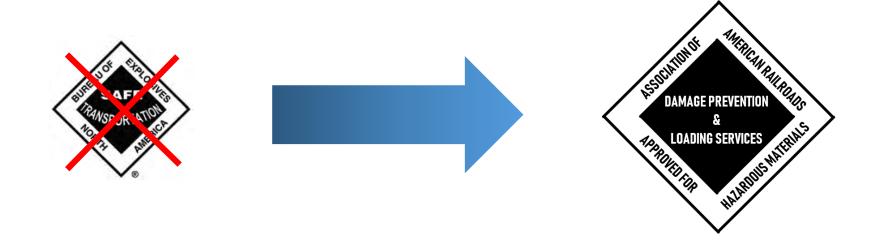
AAR Open Top Loading Rules Manual



# **BOE Loading Rules and Standards**

BOE Pamphlet 6-C, last issued in 1986, incorporated into the Intermodal Loading Guide.

\* In 2015, the AAR Hazardous Materials Committee delegated authority for approval of hazardous materials loading and securement to the AAR Damage Prevention & Freight Claim Committee.





#### Tariff No. BOE-6000

Tariff No. BOE-6000 **contains all the hazardous materials regulations** currently issued by the US Department of Transportation. Unlike the US Code of Federal Regulations, which is published just once each year by the Government Printing Office, AAR updates and issues the Tariff No. BOE-6000 on a quarterly basis. Offered in print as either a complete book that is published, updated and issued each quarter or through quarterly updated supplements of the changes to the regulations. Also available in electronic versions that include both the US Regulations as well as Transport Canada's Dangerous Goods Regulations. Highlights include:

- Enhanced Hazardous Materials Table includes additional codes in Col. 1 of §172.101 Hazardous
  Materials Table identifying those materials that are hazardous substances or marine pollutants
  and added column for each entry linking it to the appropriate Emergency Response Guide.
- Restrictions, including intermodal, for hazardous materials acceptance and transportation by rail.
- Recommended placement of placards on containers and portable tanks.



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Other AAR Intermodal Information Resources:

MSRP Section I, Intermodal Equipment Manual

M-930, RP-854

https://my.aar.org/

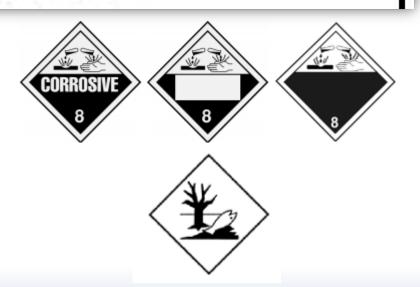
- AAR US Hazmat Instructions Rail BOE: Describes how to handle hazardous material shipments or incidents safely and efficiently, without delay, and in accord with local, state, and federal regulations in order to comply with Department of Transportation regulations.
- AAR Intermodal Gate Operations BOE: Provides instructions for how gate clerks must handle trailers/containers (both freight and tank containers) transporting hazardous materials during Intermodal gate operations.

AAR Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices Intermodal Equipment Manual

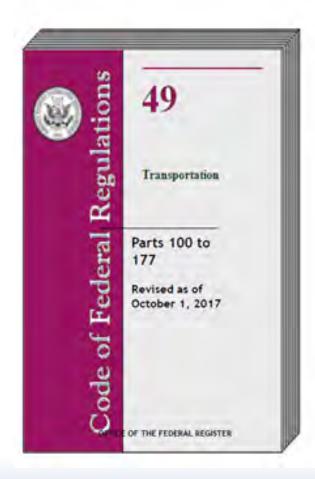
HANDLING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS—INTERMODAL GATE OPERATIONS

Recommended Practice RP-854

Adopted: 2018







# 49 CFR Subchapter A – Applicability, General Requirements, and North American Shipments Section 171

171.8 Electronic data interchange (EDI) means the computer-to-computer exchange of business data in standard formats. In EDI, information is organized according to a specific format (electronic transmission protocol) agreed upon by the sender and receiver of this information, and transmitted through a computer transaction that requires no human intervention or retyping at either end of the transmission."

#### 49 CFR Subchapter C – Hazardous Materials Regulations Section 172

172.202 (b) "... Shipping descriptions for hazardous materials offered or intended for transportation by rail that contain all the information required in this subpart and that are formatted and ordered in accordance with recognized electronic data interchange standards and, to the extent possible, in the order and manner required by this subpart are deemed to comply with this paragraph."





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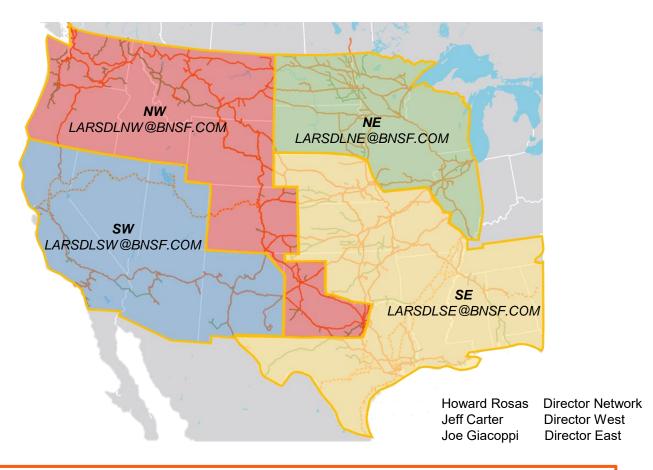
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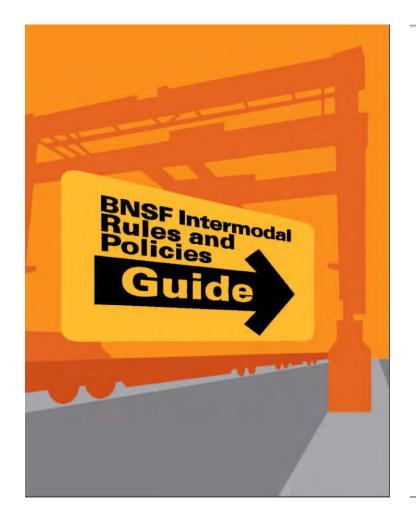
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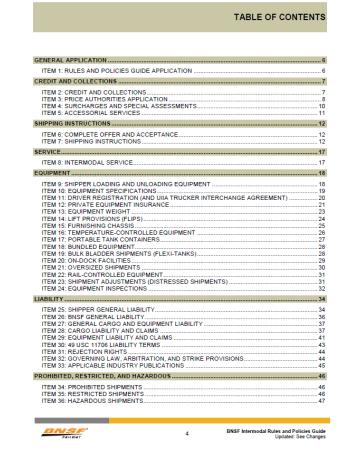
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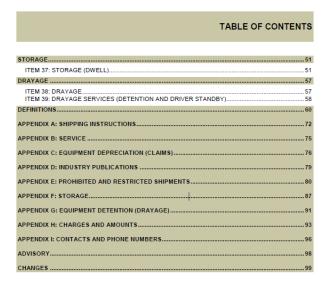
https://www.bnsf.com/ship-with-bnsf/support-services/loading-and-shipment-safety.html



In addition to DOT 49 CFR § 174.55, AAR and BOE Regulations, each N.A. Railroad has developed protocol for safely handling intermodal shipments.









# BNSF IR&PG Focus Areas of Dangerous Goods:

- Item 7 Shipping Instructions- Special Pricing Authority, Detailed/Accurate STCC & Description, 2 hr delivery,
   24 hr Emergency #, Complete Shipping Instructions & LARS Pre-approved Diagrams
- Item 10 Equipment- AAR Specifications M-931 (TOFC service and trailers), M-930 (COFC service and containers), M-943 (chassis provisions), and RP-931 (private owned trailers).
- Item 16 Temperature Controlled- Temperature of cargo vs other temperature conditions
- Item 17 Portable Tank Containers- Must conform to 49 CFR 172.101, 173 &174.63 and AAR M-943 specifications.
- Item 19 Bulk Bladders/Flexi-Tanks- Non-Haz Shipments only



# BNSF IR&PG Focus Areas of Dangerous Goods (Cont):

- Item 34 Prohibited Shipments- Hazmat in bulk bladders, Certain Haz Waste, Hazardous Materials, Explosives.
- Item 35 Restricted Shipments- Special Requirements: Ammo, Bulk products, Roll paper, Coil Metal, Hazmat.
   TCI, LTL, etc.
- Item 36 Hazardous Shipments- Restricted Commodity. Shipper must meet all Federal, State & Local Laws/Regs.
- Appendix E: Prohibited & Restricted Shipments (Detailed Cargo).



# BNSF IR&PG Focus Areas of Dangerous Goods (Cont):

- Handling Distressed Shipments
- AAR Intermodal Loading Guide
- BNSF LARS Intermodal Loading Guide
- Cargo Securement (Dangerous Goods)
- Individual Assessment
- BNSF Testing / Ride Quality Program
- BNSF Experts & Training
- https://www.bnsfhazmat.com/customer/customer-home/bnsf-intermodal-restrictions/



BNSF Load & Ride Solutions has a simple approach. Understand normal rail transit movement & package the cargo accordingly. Secure the cargo from side-to-side & front-to-rear movements will be effective for safe, fluid & damage free movement! 6074 6074 John Brainard- Manager, LARS QUESTIONS?

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# 32,100 Track Miles west of the Mississippi

Approximately 99.8% of our shipments are delivered damage-free

# **Hazardous Materials**

- Hazardous Materials Guidance- DOT
- Intermodal Gate Operations
- Master Intermodal Transportation Agreement (MITA)
  - 520 Prohibited & Restricted Articles
  - 530 Hazardous Materials Shipments
  - 535 Shipments of Explosives

### Hazmat Evaluation Table

Our Hazmat Evaluation Table outlines the Hazardous Materials
Acceptance Guide for Union Pacific Railroad.



#### Examples

## **HazMat Evaluation Table**

#### Example 1:





# UPRR Hazardous Materials Management Our Mission

 HMM is responsible for compliance with the DOT's Hazardous Materials regulations by continuously monitoring the ever changing regulatory climate. HMM aggressively works to prevent
hazardous materials releases,
actively prepares for response
activities, responds as necessary,
and works across all departments to
recover.



# **UPRR Hazardous Materials Management**

- Prevention Prevent releases of hazardous materials in transportation.
- Preparedness Develop internal and external assets for response and recovery.
- Response Emergency response to releases to protect health minimize impact and stabilize the incident.
- Recovery Progress incident to normal operations and to the point where closure work can begin











# **Shipment Quality (SQ)**

## **Customer Satisfaction**

Also known as "Damage Prevention"



- Safety is our first priority, "we help run the railroad safe & smooth"
- Support Union Pacific and our customers goal of "free damage transportation"
- Handle and prevent damage related claims
- Lead Continuous improvement initiatives to identify and eliminate the roots of damage
- Innovate to facilitate business growth

https://www.up.com/customers/shipment\_quality/index.htm



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