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Subject: April 2019 AAR Circular Letter Summary

The April 2019 summary includes the (23) circular letters issued during the month.

This document provides a summary of each Association of American Railroads (“AAR”) circular letter issued during the previous month. A circular letter provides information of general applicability to the railroad industry, including proposed and final rules, standards, and recommended practices. Circulars are a fee-based service provided by AAR’s Transportation Technology Center, Incorporated (“TTCI”) located in Pueblo, Colorado. You may sign up to receive AAR circular letters online. If you need further assistance with access to circulars, please send any future questions and issues to Pubs@aar.com.

The Field Manual of the AAR Interchange Rules, Rule 1, b. (11), requires maintaining a copy of each “*mandatory circular letter*” that revises an “*Interchange Rule*” or the “*Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices.*” For your convenience, this document identifies mandatory circular letters. For those circulars that propose or implement final changes to an existing rule, standard, or recommended practice, this document provides an impact statement to car owners, lessors, mechanical shops, and railroad operations.

The following matrix identifies the AAR circular letter number, a summary of the circular, any effective date of a rule, standard, or recommended practice, any comment due date, an impact statement, and to the extent it applies, if the circular letter is mandatory.

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Circular No.	Subject and Summary	Impact Statement
Implemented Changes, Effective the Date of Circular		
CPC-1347 April 1, 2019	<p>Subject: Replacement for CPC-1339 – AAR Change in Location Requirements for AAR M-1002 Tank Car Certified Facilities.</p> <p>Summary: AAR hereby rescinds CPC-1339 (October 31, 2018), and issues this circular to clarify AAR’s policy for changes in locations of M-1002 certified tank car facilities. This policy is effective immediately.</p> <p>Implementation Date: AAR Processing: If only the physical location has changed, AAR will process the request, assign a new station stencil (aka QA Code) and notify the facility that the next AAR facility audit will consist of an M-1002 and M-1003 recertification audit.</p> <p>This CPC is issued concurrently with a circular outlining a consistent policy for M-1003 Certified Facilities.</p>	<p>Car Type: Tank</p> <p>Car Owner: Possible</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: Facility Requirement: If a facility changes its physical location only (i.e., no change in certification elements (including activity code(s), material groups and repair level capabilities, where applicable), personnel, processes, procedures, or equipment), the facility must email the AAR director of tank car safety 60 days in advance a dated letter on company letterhead. The facility must include in the letter all of the following information: the facility name, station stencil (also known as quality assurance “QA” Code), the current address, and the new address, and the date of facility relocation. The</p>

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		<p>facility must affirmatively represent in the letter that there is no change in its certification elements (including activity code(s), material groups and repair level capabilities, where applicable), personnel, processes, procedures, or equipment.</p> <p>If a facility changes its physical location and will make changes to its certification elements (including activity code(s), material groups and repair level capabilities, where applicable), personnel, processes, procedures, or equipment, the facility must apply for new certification to M-1002 and M-1003 at the new location. In such a case, the existing certification will not be valid for operations at the new location.</p>
<p>C-13299 April 1, 2019</p>	<p>Subject: Replacement to Circular Letter C-13225 - AAR Change in Location Requirements for AAR M-1003 Quality Assurance Certified Facilities.</p> <p>Summary: AAR hereby rescinds Circular Letter C-13225 (October 31, 2018), and issues this Circular Letter to clarify AAR's policy for changes in location of M-1003 Quality Assurance certified facilities. This Circular Letter is effective immediately.</p> <p>Implementation Date: AAR Processing: If only the physical location has changed, AAR will process the request, assign a new QA-Code and notify the facility that the next facility audit will comprise of an M-1003 recertification audit.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: Possible</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: Facility Requirement: If a facility changes its physical location only (i.e., no change in activity code(s), personnel, processes, procedures, or equipment), the facility must email the AAR Manager of the AAR Quality Assurance Committee 60 days in advance a dated letter on company letterhead. The facility must include in the letter all of the following information: the facility name, QA-Code, the current address, and the new address, and the date of facility relocation. The facility must affirmatively represent in the letter that there is no change activity code(s), personnel, processes, procedures, or equipment.</p> <p>If a facility changes its physical location and will make changes to its activity code(s), personnel, processes, procedures, or equipment, the facility must apply for new M-1003 certification for at the new location. In such a case, the existing certification will not be valid for operations at the new location.</p>
<p>C-13300 April 6, 2019</p>	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to Figure 14-A – Section 2 of the AAR Open Top Loading Rules Manual (OTLR).</p> <p>Summary: The AAR's Open Top Loading Rules Committee (OTLRC) has approved the following revisions to Section 2 OTLR manual for Figure 14-A.</p>	<p>Car Type: Open Top Gondolas</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Carriers are asked to ensure that copies of this circular letter are distributed to</p>

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	<p>Revise description of Item D – Idler Car Overhang Support and, Revise description of Item E – Steel Plate.</p> <p>Implementation Date: These revisions to Section 2 is effective immediately and will be included in the next edition of the AAR's OTLR manual.</p>	<p>all concerned shippers and railroad personnel for their attention and guidance.</p>
<p>C-13301 April 6, 2019</p>	<p>Subject: Implementation of New Figure 128-B and Archive Figures 128 and 128-A – Section 2 of the AAR Open Top Loading Rules Manual (OTLR).</p> <p>Summary: The AAR's Open Top Loading Rules Committee (OTLRC) has approved to implement this new figure into Section 2 OTLR manual, Figure 128-B, and created this new figure by combining Figure 128, and 128-A together.</p> <p>Implementation Date: These revisions to Section 2 is effective immediately and will be included in the next edition of the AAR's OTLR manual.</p>	<p>Car Type: Open Top Gondolas</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Carriers are asked to ensure that copies of this circular letter are distributed to all concerned shippers and railroad personnel for their attention and guidance.</p>
<p>C-13302 April 6, 2019</p>	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revision to MSRP Section N, Specification M-992, Designated Satellite Shop Repair for Multi-Level Auto Rack Cars.</p> <p>Summary: The Specially Equipped Freight Car Committee has made a revision to Specification M-992 and removed information from the specification.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Changes to MSRP Section N, Specification M-992 are now implemented and effective immediately and will be incorporated in the next issue of MSRP Section N. In the interim, please insert the circular attachment into your copy of MSRP Section N.</p>	<p>Car Type: Auto Rack Cars</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Questions should be directed to Mr. David Hendrixon, Manager, Specially Equipped Freight Car Committee at TTCI via email at David_Hendrixon@aar.com</p>
<p>C-13303 April 6, 2019</p>	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to MSRP Section N, Specification M-970, Condition-Based Certification of Multi-Level Auto Rack Cars.</p> <p>Summary: The Specially Equipped Freight Car Committee has made an editorial revision to Specification M-970, Section 2.4.1.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Changes to MSRP Section N, Specification M-970 are now implemented and effective immediately and will be incorporated in the next issue of MSRP Section N. In the interim, please insert the circular attachment into your copy of MSRP Section N.</p>	<p>Car Type: Auto Rack Cars</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Questions should be directed to Mr. David Hendrixon, Manager, Specially Equipped Freight Car Committee at TTCI via email at David_Hendrixon@aar.com</p>
<p>C-13305 April 12, 2019</p>	<p>Subject: 3 Month Extension to Mandatory Compliance Date for S-4027 Single Car Test Revision Criteria.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p>

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	<p>Summary: This circular letter is to notify the industry of an extension to the S-4027 mandatory compliance date (see C-13293 for details). Based on industry feedback, the Brake Systems Committee has decided to provide a 3 month extension.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Standard S-4027-2018 became effective July 1, 2018. Standard S-4027-2018 compliance will be mandatory August 1, 2019. Standard S-4027-2015 will be sunset August 1, 2019</p>	<p>Comments: submit questions to Anna Fox, Brake Systems Committee Manager, at TTCL via email at Brakes@aar.com.</p>
C-13307 April 18, 2019	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to General Rule 21 and Glossary – Section 1 of the AAR Open Top Loading Rules Manual (OTLR).</p> <p>Summary: The AAR's Open Top Loading Rules Committee (OTLRC) has approved the following revisions to Section 1 OTLR manual - General Rule 21 and Glossary.</p> <p>Implementation Date: The implementation of these revisions is effective immediately and will be included in the next edition of the OTLR's manual. Insert the circular attachments for General Rule 21 and Glossary in your copy of Section 1.</p>	<p>Car Type: Open Top Loading (Railroads)</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Carriers are asked to ensure that copies of this circular letter are distributed to all concerned shippers and railroad personnel for their attention and guidance.</p>
C-13308 April 18, 2019	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revision to Figure 78-B – Section 6 of the AAR Open Top Loading Rules Manual (OTLR).</p> <p>Summary: The AAR's Open Top Loading Rules Committee (OTLRC) has approved the revision to Section 6 OTLR manual for Figure 78-B. The committee has approved to add a new note #8, "Vehicles with turrets must engage internal turret travel locks and secure them.</p> <p>Implementation Date: The implementation of this revision is effective immediately and will be included in the next edition of the OTLR's manual. Insert the circular attachment for Figure 78-B in your copy of Section 6.</p>	<p>Car Type: Open Top Loading (Railroads)</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Carriers are asked to ensure that copies of this circular letter are distributed to all concerned shippers and railroad personnel for their attention and guidance.</p>
C-13309 April 19, 2019	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to AAR Intermodal Interchange Rules, Section A, Rule 21, Appx A, Appx B, Appx F, Job Code Photo Glossary, IBC Photo Glossary, and Specialized Container Photo Glossary, Chassis Shipping Units, and Billing Procedures.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to notify the industry of revisions to AAR Intermodal Interchange Rules, Section A, Rule 21, Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix F, and Job Code Photo Glossary, Chassis Shipping Units, Billing Procedures Revisions, Repair Procedures, and Job Codes.</p>	<p>Car Type: Intermodal</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: If this is a required publication for your location, be sure to update your manual.</p>

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	<p>Implementation Date: AAR Intermodal Interchange Rules, Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix F, Job Code Photo Glossary, IBC Photo Glossary, and Specialized Container Photo Glossary are now implemented and effective immediately.</p>	
C-13310 April 19, 2019	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to MSRP Section I, Intermodal Equipment Manual, M-930, M-931, M-998, RP-853, Appendix E CSU Testing, Lift Pad, and IBC Tension Testing.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to notify the industry of revisions to Section I, Intermodal Equipment Manual, M-930, M-931, M-998, RP-853, Appendix E CSU Testing, Lift Pad, and IBC Tension Testing.</p> <p>Implementation Date: M-930, M-931, M-998, and RP-853 are now implemented and effective immediately. This modification will be incorporated in the next issue of the Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices, Section I.</p>	<p>Car Type: Intermodal</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: If Section I is a required publication for your location, be sure to update it with the noted revisions attached with this circular.</p>
C-13311 April 19, 2019	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to MSRP Section G-II, Wheel and Axle Manual, S-659, RP-631, RP-632, and RP-633, Southern CJ-33, Wheel Storage, Bearing Storage, and Vertical Split Rim.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to notify the industry of revisions to Section G-II, Wheel and Axle Manual, S-659, RP-631, RP-632, and RP-633, revision to add Southern CJ-33 wheels to the list of wheels that must not be returned to service, revision to outside wheel storage conditions, revision to the number of days a loose bearing can be stored prior to shipping, and revision to include vertical split rim on the steel wheel defects list.</p> <p>Implementation Date: S-659, RP-631, RP-632, and RP-633 are now implemented and effective immediately. This modification will be incorporated in the next issue of the Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices, Section G-II.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: If Section G-II is a required publication for your location, be sure to update your manual with the noted sections attached to this circular letter.</p>
C-13312 April 23, 2019	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revision to MSRP Section C, Car Construction Fundamentals and Details: Adoption of Recommended Practice RP-2018, Handholds, Steps, and Ladders for Interior Access.</p> <p>Summary: this circular letter is to notify the industry of a revision to Section C, Car Construction Fundamentals and Details. Recommended Practice RP-2018, Handholds, Steps, and Ladders for Interior Access, has been adopted.</p> <p>Implementation Date: RP-2018, attached, is now implemented and effective immediately. This revision will be incorporated in the next issue of the Manual of</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner:</p> <p>Repair Shop:</p> <p>Comments: RP-2018 provides guidance for appliances that are not mandatory per AAR Standard S-2044 (Safety Appliance Requirements for Freight Cars) but may be installed to provide access to the interior of cars. <u>Compliance with RP-2018 is recommended but not mandatory.</u></p>

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	Standards and Recommended Practices, Section C. If this is a required publication for your location, be sure to update your manual with the revised RP-2018.	
CPC-1348 April 26, 2019	<p>Subject: Recommended Railroad Operating Practices for Transportation of Hazardous Materials.</p> <p>Summary: AAR's Safety and Operations department is amending AAR Circular No. OT-55-Q by deleting the Canadian Only "T" code section from Appendix A and B of this document.</p> <p>Implementation Date: The impacted codes are highlighted in yellow. This is only an amendment to AAR Circular No. OT-55-Q (attached) and becomes effective May 1st 2019 and supersedes all previous versions of OT-55.</p>	<p>Car Type: Tank</p> <p>Car Owner: Yes</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: This amendment reflects the changes in the Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations (TDGR). This Circular letter only impacts Appendices A & B.</p>
C-13313 April 29, 2019	<p>Subject: Informational Circular, Revisions to Office Manual, Rule 112.H.3.</p> <p>Summary: The Arbitration and Rules Committee, a proposal by the Car Repair Billing Committee to revise Office Manual Rule 112.H.3 was reviewed and approved.</p> <p>Implementation Date: These changes will be included in the July 2019 release of the Office Manual.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: Yes</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments:“Questionable charges” do not include <i>invalid exceptions listed in Appendix Y.1.1 of the Car Repair Billing Procedures Manual</i>.</p>
Changes Pending 30-Day Comment Period from Date of Circular		
C-13315 April 29, 2019	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments, Revisions to Field Manual, Rules 36 & 37.</p> <p>Summary: The Arbitration and Rules Committee a proposal by the WABL Committee to revise Field Manual Rules 36 & 37, was reviewed and approved. The entire text of the addition is identified as an attachment to this circular.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments received will be reviewed and considered by the Arbitration and Rules Committee, with a targeted implementation date of July 1, 2019.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these proposed changes to determine if they affect them.</p>
C-13314 April 29, 2019	<p>Subject: Solicitation for Comment, Revisions to Office Manual, Rule 112.E.1 and CRB Procedures Manual</p> <p>Summary: The Arbitration and Rules Committee, a proposal as advanced by the Car Repair Billing Committee to revise Office Manual Rule 112.E.1 and the Car Repair Billing Procedures Manual was reviewed and approved. The entire text of the addition is identified as an attachment to this circular.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: IMPORTANT NOTE: It is recommended that this information be shared with all Car Repair Billing and IT personnel in your company that work with or are responsible for Car Repair Invoices submitted</p>

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	<p>Implementation Date: All comments received will be reviewed and considered by the Car Repair Billing and Arbitration and Rules Committees, with a targeted implementation date of July 2019.</p>	to and/or received from Railinc's Data Exchange.
C-13316 April 30, 2019	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments, Revisions to Field Manual, Rules 19, 20 and Appendix A.</p> <p>Summary: the Arbitration and Rules Committee (ARB) a proposal by CSTCC to revise Field Manual Rules 19 and 20, was reviewed and approved. Additionally, ARB reviewed and approved the addition of "Cause for Attention" to Appendix A. The entire text of the revision is identified within the attachment to this circular.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments received will be reviewed and considered by the Arbitration and Rules Committee, with a targeted implementation date of July 1, 2019.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these proposed changes to determine if they affect them.</p>
C-13317 April 30, 2019	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments, Revisions to Field Manual, Rule 22.</p> <p>Summary: the Arbitration and Rules Committee a proposal by CSTCC to revise Field Manual Rule 22.A, was reviewed and approved. The entire text of the revision is identified within this circular.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments received will be reviewed and considered by the Arbitration and Rules Committee, with a targeted implementation date of July 1, 2019.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these proposed changes to determine if they affect them.</p>
C-13318 April 30, 2019	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments, Revisions to Field Manual, Rule 59.</p> <p>Summary: the Arbitration and Rules Committee a proposal by EEC to revise Field Manual Rule 59, was reviewed and approved. The entire text of the revision is identified within this circular.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments received will be reviewed and considered by the Arbitration and Rules Committee, with a targeted implementation date of July 1, 2019.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these proposed changes to determine if they affect them.</p>
C-13319 April 30, 2019	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments, Revisions to Field & Office Manuals, Appendix B.</p> <p>Summary: the Arbitration and Rules Committee a proposal by the Specially Equipped Freight Car Committee (SEFCC) to revise Field and Office Manuals Appendix B, was reviewed and approved. The entire text of the revision is identified within this circular.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments received will be reviewed and considered by the Arbitration and Rules</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these proposed changes to determine if they affect them.</p>

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	Committee, with the intent to issue an implementation circular following the comment period.	
General Information for the Industry		
C-13304 April 11, 2019	<p>Subject: NARMO 2019 - Early Bird Pricing Ends Soon.</p> <p>Summary: As previously announced, the 37th North American Rail Mechanical Operations (NARMO) Seminar will be held May 14-16, 2019 in Dallas, TX at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel, 400 North Olive Street, Dallas TX 75201.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Full details, including a tentative agenda and hotel information, can be found on the registration page.</p>	<p>Car Type: Industry Information</p> <p>Car Owner: Possible</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: This circular serves as a reminder that the Early Bird Pricing will end on April 14, 2019 and the room block will end on April 22, 2019. An updated agenda is attached for your reference.</p>
C-13306 April 12, 2019	<p>Subject: Informational Circular, Handling Requirements for Submerged Air Brake Equipment and Roller Bearings.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to remind the industry of rules in place for the proper handling of air brake, slack adjuster, and roller bearing components submerged for any reason. Submerged, as defined in Appendix A of the AAR Field Manual, is when any portion of a component has been under water. As described in each rule below, the information in Section A is "Cause For Renewal" and should be addressed per the AAR Interchange Rules.</p> <p>Implementation Date: As the railroad network recovers from the disruption and devastation caused by recent flooding, all members, and private car owners and signatories to the AAR Interchange Rules will fulfill their obligations by properly handling submerged brake systems and roller bearings in the interest of continued railroad safety.</p>	<p>Car Type: Industry Information</p> <p>Car Owner: Yes</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: Should you have any questions, please contact Anna Fox (Anna_Fox@aar.com) for brake system components, or Daniel Carter (Daniel_Carter@aar.com) for roller bearings.</p>