



LOAD AND TIE-DOWN CHECKLIST
FOR VEHICLES ON CHAIN TIE-DOWN FLAT CARS

- ◆ Make certain all hood latches are secured.
- ◆ Face vehicles in same direction.
- ◆ Sufficient space should be left between vehicles to allow a **45-degree** angle for chain tie-down. (**Consideration must be given to the height of tie-down point in the planning of vehicle placement**)
- ◆ On multi level cars, a minimum space of 10 inches should be left between vehicles.
- ◆ Check for proper brake wheel clearance.
- ◆ Do not cross chains.
- ◆ Use symmetrical tie-down patterns.
- ◆ Seat and lock chain anchor or winch.
- ◆ Secure shackle in tie-down position with wire tie or cotter pins.
- ◆ Pull chain tight and attach hook above the compression unit.
- ◆ Tighten chain.
- ◆ Use appropriate tool.
- ◆ Make sure chain is not kinked or bind.
- ◆ Secure hooks with wire.
- ◆ Make sure turnbuckles are wired or locked.
- ◆ Wrenches tighten jam nuts.
- ◆ Do not secure chains to axles, springs, or bumpers.
- ◆ Make certain turrets and guns, radiator doors, side skirts, outriggers, mirrors, crane booms, expansible van bodies, and so forth are secured from extending up or over the side of the flat car.
- ◆ All unused chains and binders must be stored properly in tracks.
- ◆ All tools must be removed from cars.

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