

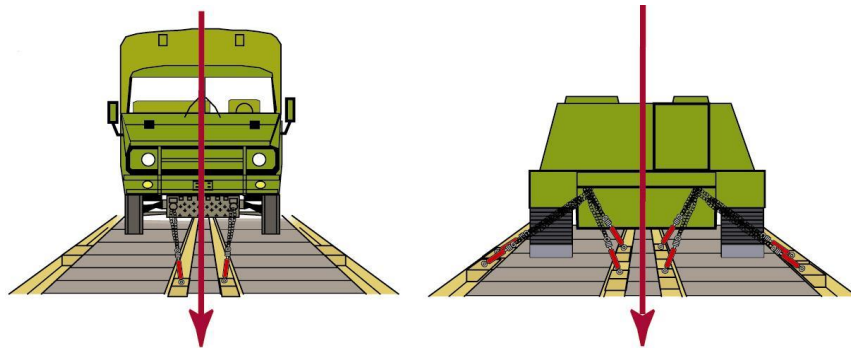
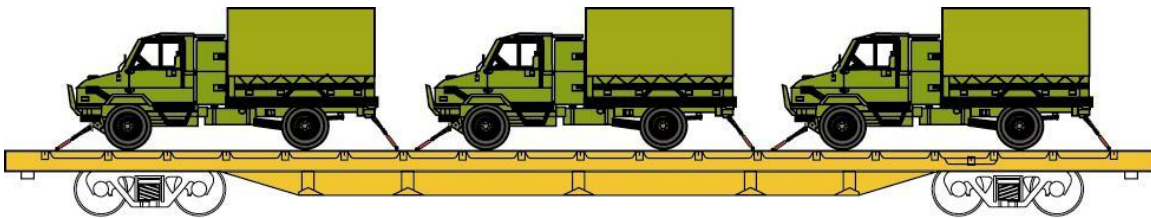


LOADING VEHICLES

- ◆ Set hand brakes on each rail car.
- ◆ Position ramp, secure and brace properly so that vehicles can roll on without slipping and turning.
- ◆ Position bridge plates in between rail cars when loading wheeled vehicles. (Not required when loading tracked vehicles as this could create a safety hazard).
- ◆ When load is prepared on cars with side mounted hand brakes, load maybe located not closer than 1 foot from either end of car.
- ◆ When loading vehicles on a standard rail flat car, allow 12'' minimum clearance from the A end of the car, and 24'' from the B end (brake end).
- ◆ When loading vehicles, follow the directions of rail and ground guides.
- ◆ Guides should keep one rail car distance between them, and the vehicle being loaded.
- ◆ Guides should never walk backwards.

LOADING VEHICLES (concluded)

- ◆ When loading wheeled vehicles on multilevel rail cars, load the bottom deck first, since the upper deck ramp may block the lower deck.
- ◆ Load must be located centrally on the rail car, both laterally and longitudinally. Weight of the load must be distributed evenly.



- ◆ When loading military tank on a rail equipped car (i.e.: HTTX) or general-purpose flat car, only **ONE** tank must be loaded and centrally located on the rail car. No other vehicles can be loaded to use the vacant space at front and rear of the tank.

