

ATTACHED DUNNAGE:

When it is used, bearing pieces and separators used, must be of sufficient thickness to prevent attached dunnage from contacting car floor or package surface. Attached dunnage must be in one piece and their length must be equal to the width of the package but not wider.

Attached dunnage may be applied to either the top or bottom of packages. If applied to the top of packages, all dunnage in the top layer must have one (1) 10-D nail applied in addition to the package band, to prevent displacement.

STUB STAKES:

When stub stakes are used, they must be placed in the first two stake pockets at each end of the load and every second stake pocket between, on both sides of the car. During the cold weather period, November 1 through March 1, the use of stub stakes or Guide Rail Securement Devices are required for specified lumber loads. The originating carrier may extend the time period of this rule under extreme weather conditions.

Stub stakes must be a minimum 4 in. x 5 in., tapered to fully fit stake pocket. The length is to extend from bottom of stake pocket to 10 in. above the car floor. Laminated stub stakes are permitted. When used, they must be constructed of no more than two pieces 2 in. x 6 in. or greater, secured with four 16-D nails equally spaced. When stub stakes do not completely fill stake pockets, a wedge shape filler piece must be applied to fill void and be secured to prevent displacement on longer cars with narrow decks, 4 in. x 4 in. stub stakes may be used to provide sufficient width on the car for the load and the guide rails. These stub stakes will require a filler piece nailed on the inside face of the stub stake, extending from the car deck to the bottom of the stake pocket.