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Subject: July 2021 AAR Circular Letter Summary

The July 2021 summary includes the (4) 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.

If you have any questions, please contact Tom DeLafosse at 630.512.7595 or tom.delafosse@salcoproducts.com.

Circular No.	Subject and Summary	Impact Statement
Implemented Changes, Effective the Date of Circular		
C-13833 July 6, 2021	<p>Subject: MSRP Section F, Sensors, Standard S-920, Component Identification Bar Code Standards / Sections 12 & 13.</p> <p>Summary: This implementation circular is being released to the industry for revisions to the AAR's Manual of Standards & Recommended Practices (MSRP) Section F - Sensors / Standard S-920 / Sections 12 (Axle Labels) & 13 (Bearing Labels).</p> <p>Implementation Date: July 6, 2021.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: If Section F is a required publication for your facility be sure to download the updated S-920 and update your manual.</p>

<p>C-13836 July 27, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section S, Casting Details, Specifications M-202, M-203, and M-210; regarding reporting to AAR, adding saw cuts, and removing radiography requirements.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to notify the industry of revisions to Section S, Casting Details, Specifications M-202, M-203, and M-210.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Specifications M-202, M-203, and M-210 are now implemented and effective immediately. The revised specifications are attached to this circular.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: If Section S is a required publication for your facility be sure to download the attachments to this circular and update your manuals.</p>
<p>Changes Pending 30-Day Comment Period from Date of Circular</p>		
	<p>No circulars were issued this month for their 30-day comment period</p>	
<p>General Information for the Industry</p>		
<p>C-13834 July 21, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: Announcing the 2022 AAR’s 34th Quality Assurance Auditor and Industry Conference.</p> <p>Summary: AAR’s Quality Assurance Committee (QAC) has scheduled the Annual AAR Quality Assurance Auditor and Industry Conference for April 12-14, 2022 in Fort Worth, Texas.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Mark your calendars. We look forward to seeing you in Fort Worth in April 2022! Additional information regarding registration is forthcoming. Questions should be directed to Don Guillen and Mark Rusovick with the AAR Quality Assurance Committee at QA@aar.com.</p>	<p>Car Type: Industry Information</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: All participants are invited to attend the first 3 days of the event (Tuesday and Wednesday presentations and Thursday workshops). Closed sessions are set aside on Thursday and Friday for AAR Auditor specific training and evaluations and a closed QAC meeting.</p>
<p>C-13835 July 19, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: Updated Schedule for 2021 AAR M-1003 Basic and Advanced Auditor and Root Cause Analysis Training Classes.</p> <p>Summary: (AAR) Quality Assurance Committee (QAC) has finalized the following schedule for remaining 2021 AAR M-1003 Quality Assurance Training classes. The Basic Auditor Training classes and Root Cause Analysis Training classes will remain in Webinar format throughout 2021, but the Advanced Auditor Training classes will be in-person onsite training classes.</p> <p>Implementation Date: See this circular for schedule and available dates.</p>	<p>Car Type: Industry Information</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Possible</p> <p>Comments: Note: In-person classes are only open to those who are fully vaccinated for COVID (at least two weeks past final vaccination). Proof of vaccination status will not be required.</p>