Train Types

The **first** digit in a Train ID is a one-letter identifier, which indicates the type of cargo the train carries, or other general classification used to properly assign cars to a train.

A – AMTRAK	J – Hi-Wide Dimensional/Special	S – Stack Train Intermodal
B – Baretable flat	K – Helper/Shuttle Units	T – Transfer Service
C – Loaded Unit Coal	L – Local Switcher M – Merchandise (regular)	U – Non-Coal/Grain Unit
D – Lite Locomotives		V – Vehicle (Auto/Parts)
E – Empty Unit Coal	N – Hrs Serv Relief Crew	W – Work/Maintenance
F – Foreign Road Train	O – Officers Special	X – Empty Unit Grain
G – Loaded Unit Grain	P – Premium Intermodal	Y – Yard Job (Regular Scheduled)
H – Hi-Priority Merchandise	Q – Guaranteed Intermodal	Z – UPS – LTL Intermodal
I – Deadhead Crew Move	R – Road Switcher (Scheduled)	>Ex ZALTLAC1 20



Train Section Number Description

Section-Numbers Expanded Descriptions

(Print Friendly Format)

category		nbr		section number description
General	:	1		1st Section
		2		2nd Section
		3		Unscheduled Train
		4		HAZMAT Train
		5		Unscheduled Train
		7		Electric Brake or Distributed Power
		8		Critical Arrival 2nd Section
		9		Critical Arrival 1st Section
Intermodal (P/Q)	:	2	-	2nd Section Primary
		3		Extra Section
		4		3rd Section Primary
		5		2nd Section Hot
		6		1st Section Hot
		7		3rd Section Critical
		8		2nd Section Critical 1st Section Critical
		9		1st Section Critical
Double Stack (S)	:	2		2nd Section
		3		Cosco or Extra Section
		4		NYK or Hanjin
		5		Maersk
		6		K Line or Sealand
		7		OOCL
		8	_	Hyundai
Manifest (M/H)		2	_	2nd Section
		3	-	Extra Section
		5		Extra Section
		9	-	Critical Arrival
Grain (G/X)	:	1	_	Unit General Fleet
		2	_	Second Section or for Storage
		3	_	Unit Grain with Foreign Eqp
		4		Unit Fertilizer
		-5	-	Unit DDG (Dry Distilled Grain)
		6		Unit Corn Syrup (Tank Cars)
				Unit Ethanol (Tank Cars)
		8		Unit DET (Domestic Efficiency Train)
		9	-	Unit Shuttle
Vehicle (V)	:	3	_	Extra Section
		9	_	Critical Arrival
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