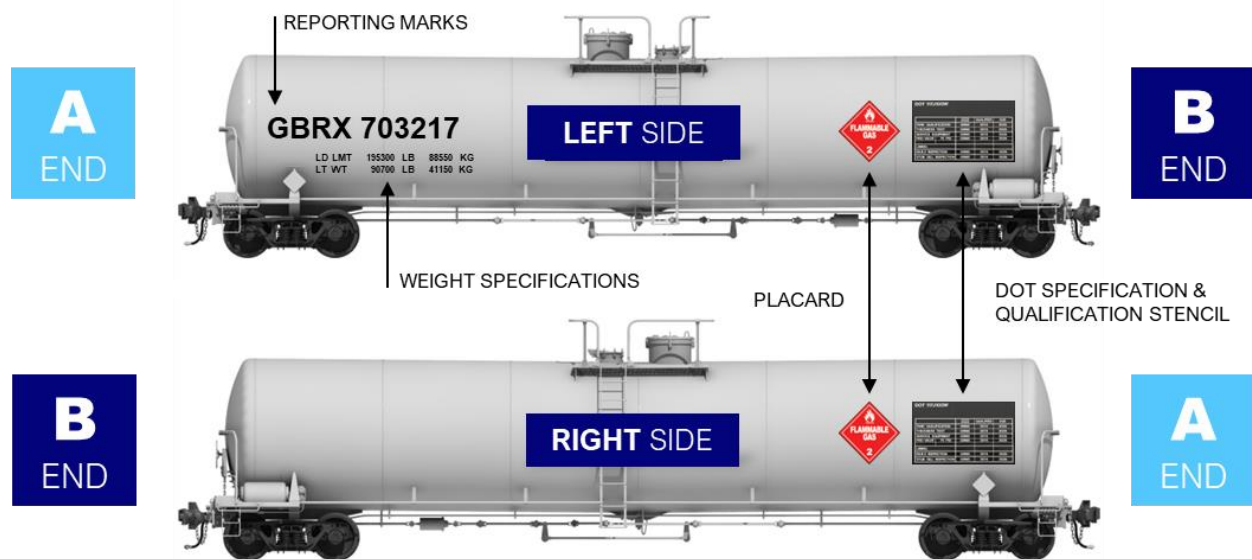


HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY TIP

TANK CAR ORIENTATION – PART I

Effective hazardous materials incident response and communication requires proper tank car orientation. Knowing and understanding where on a tank car to quickly gather important information about the car and its contents can minimize and even mitigate risks associated with a hazardous materials incident.



CAR ENDS. Tank car ends are designated “A” / “B”, with the hand brake located on the B-end.

REPORTING MARKS and WEIGHT SPECIFICATIONS. Reporting marks are located on the left-side and both ends of the car. Weight specifications are located on the left-side at the A-end.

PLACARD. Placards are located on both sides and both ends.

DOT SPECIFICATION & QUALIFICATION STENCIL. The DOT specification and qualification stencil is located on the left-side, B-end.

WHEELS and AXLES. **Wheels** are designated “L” / “R” for left/right side respectively, and **axles** are numbered 1 – 4 beginning at the B-end.