



RECOMMENDED PRACTICE
FOR
COIL LOADING



To our Valued Freight Carriers:

The US Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) provides specific requirements regarding shipping of products, including metal coils. The rules for securing coils can be found in publication **CFR§393.120**. It is typical for shipping companies to properly secure cargo and for the carriers to assume responsibility for complying with DOT regulations. Alton Steel, Inc. does not accept any liability for the carriers' responsibility to properly secure loads.

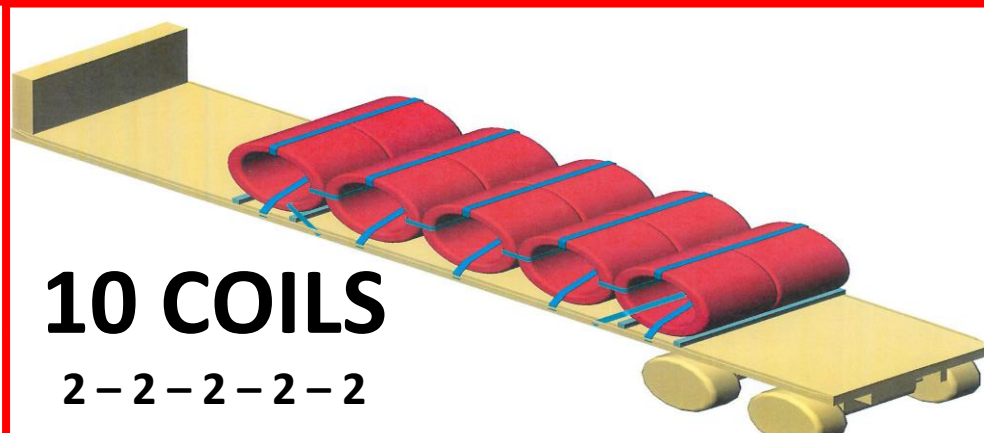
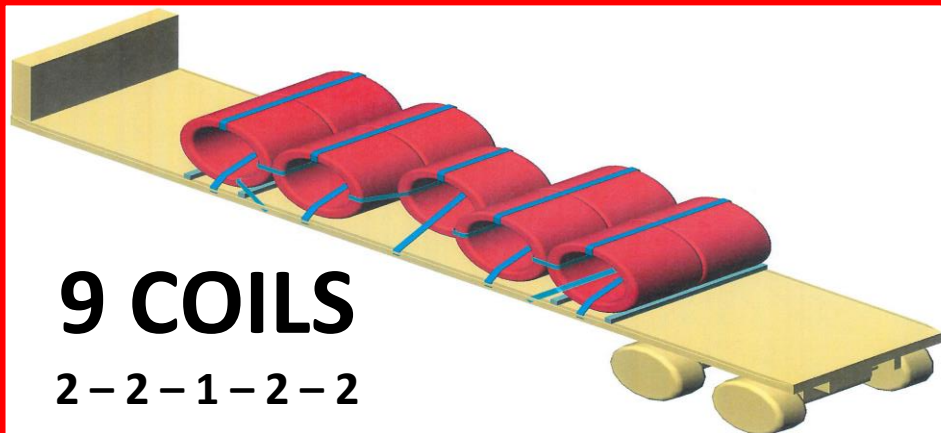
For the safety of you and our customers, Alton Steel's recommended minimum procedure for securing metal coils that are loaded side-by-side in transverse rows is as follows:

1. At least one tiedown/strap attached to the front of the row of coils, restraining against forward motion, and whenever practicable, making an angle no more than 45 degrees with the floor of the trailer when viewed from the side of the trailer.
2. At least one tiedown/strap attached to the rear of the row of coils, restraining against rearward motion, and whenever practicable, making an angle no more than 45 degrees with the floor of the trailer when viewed from the side of the trailer.
3. At least one tiedown/strap over the top of each coil or transverse row of coils, restraining against vertical motion. Tiedowns going over the top of a coils must be as close as practicable to the eye of the coil and positioned to prevent the tiedown from slipping or becoming unintentionally unfastened while the vehicle is in transit; and
4. Tiedowns/straps must be arranged to prevent shifting or tipping in the forward, rearward and lateral directions.
5. Straps must be used as tiedowns. Chains are NOT allowed as they will damage the product.
6. At a minimum, coil racks should be used on both the forward and rear rows to prevent rolling.
7. Additional securement may be used according to individual preferences.
8. Alton Steel reserves the right to prevent any load from leaving the plant which – in our opinion – is not properly and safely secured.

If you have any questions, please contact an Alton Steel Shipping employee.

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Please review the illustrations, picture, and information shown on this page. This is being provided to our carriers as well as CWC carriers in advance of bar coil loading. It is a recommended loading method for bar coil product. Illustrations include 9 coil loads and 10 coil loads.



NOTICE TO DRIVERS

FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES YOU TO

SECURE YOUR LOAD

SEE 49 CFR §392 and §393 NORTH AMERICAN STANDARD FOR PROTECTION AGAINST SHIFTING AND FALLING CARGO AVAILABLE FROM THE FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION.

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