

March 2026 Circular Summary

Total Circulars Released: 18

Breakdown by Type:

Implementation: 7

Informational: 5

Solicitation: 6

Canceled: 0

Circulars Summary and Index

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Circular No	Subject	Effective Date	Type	Action Required
C-14746	Publication release of revised MSRP Section B, Freight Car Draft Components	March 2, 2026	Implementation	If MSRP B is a required publication for your facility, Purchase the new revision via the AAR Publications website or for those companies that purchase the online publications package, the new revisions should be available upon logging into your account.
C-14747	Publication release of revised MSRP Section S-III, Coupler and Yoke Details, 2026	March 2, 2026	Implementation	If MSRP S-III is a required publication for your facility, Purchase the new revision via the AAR Publications website or for those companies that purchase the online publications package, the new revisions should be available upon logging into your account.
C-14748	Proposed revisions to MSRP Section S, Specification M-214	30-day comment period beginning March 3, 2026	Solicitation	Review the proposed revisions to M-214 and submit comments as instructed by the Circular
C-14749	Proposed revisions to MSRP Section S-I, Specification M-201	30-day comment period beginning March 3, 2026	Solicitation	Review the proposed revisions to M-201 and submit comments as instructed by the Circular
C-14750	Car Repair Facility Labor Rate	April 1, 2026	Informational	Updated rate will be included in the April release of the AAR Office Manual

C-14751	Proposed revisions to MSRP Section C-II, M-1001 Chapter 5	30-day comment period beginning March 5, 2026	Solicitation	Review the proposed revisions to CII M-1001 Chapter 5 and submit comments as instructed by the Circular
C-14752	Proposed revisions to MSRP Section C-II, M-1001 Chapter 3	30-day comment period beginning March 5, 2026	Solicitation	Review the proposed revisions to CII M-1001 Chapter 3 and submit comments as instructed by the Circular
C-14753	Proposed revisions to MSRP Section C-I, Standard S-2058	30-day comment period beginning March 9, 2026	Solicitation	Review the proposed revisions to CI S-2058 and submit comments as instructed by the Circular
C-14754	Editorial Revisions to MSRP Section C-I, Standard S-2057	March 9, 2026	Implementation	Download, review, and implement changes to S-2057 (if required by your facility)
C-14755	2026 AAR M-1003 Auditor Training Schedule Update	N/A	Informational	Review the training schedule update and use the imbedded links to register for classes, as needed.
C-14756	Canadian Car Repair Facility Labor Rate	April 1, 2026	Informational	Note updated Canadian labor rate. New rate to be incorporated into the April release of the Canadian Price Master
C-14757	Update to the Car Repair Billing Data Exchange (CRBDX) Schedule	April 1, 2026	Informational	Recommended review by CRB and IT personnel responsible for Car Repair Invoices submitted to, and/or received from, Railinc's CRB Data Exchange
C-14758	Revisions to MSRP Section F, S-920 Appendix A Wheel Set Glossary	March 27, 2026	Implementation	Download, review, and implement changes to S-920 Appendix A Wheel Set

				Glossary (if required by your facility)
CPC-1440	Revisions to MSRP Section CIII Chapter 2	March 10, 2026	Implementation	Download and implement changes to CIII Chapter 2. See in-depth review contained in the email that was attached with this summary
CPC-1441	Revisions to MSRP CIII, Appendix B Table B.2 Removal of Service Equipment categories form the C6r Activity Code	March 10, 2026	Implementation	Download and implement changes to CIII Appendix B. See in-depth review contained in the email that was attached with this summary.
CPC-1442	Revisions to MSRP CIII, Appendix B C6r demonstration requirements	March 10, 2026	Implementation	Download and implement changes to CIII Appendix B. See in-depth review contained in the email that was attached with this summary.
CPC-1443	Potential defects in 6F Stainless Steel Nuts supplied by Fastenal with a manufacturer code of "WL"	March 10, 2026	Informational	Inspect inventory. Any questions or issues with these products should be directed to Fastenal.
CPC-1444	Proposed Revisions to MSRP CIII Appendix D 4.0	Submit comments by April 11, 2026 @ 5pm EST	Solicitation	Review the proposed revisions to CIII Appendix D and submit comments as instructed by the Circular

Circular Summary: C-14746

Subject: Revised MSRP Section B, Freight Car Draft Components, 2026

Date: March 2, 2026

File Number: EEC 170.10.20

Purpose: Announces publication of the 2026 edition of MSRP Section B incorporating previously issued circular revisions.

Note: MSRP B and MSRP SIII are being published concurrently since the standards listed in the Circular have been relocated to from MSRP B to MSRP S-III...See Circular C-14747.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: eec@aar.com

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: C-14747

Subject: Revised MSRP Section S-III, Coupler and Yoke Details, 2026

Date: March 2, 2026

File Number: CSTC-SIII.2026

Purpose: Announces publication of the 2026 edition of MSRP Section S-III incorporating prior circular revisions.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: cstcc@aar.com

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: C-14748

Subject: Solicitation – Revisions to MSRP Section S, Specification M-214

Date: March 3, 2026

File Number: CSTC-S-M214

Purpose: Solicits comments on proposed updates related to AQTF items, welding, inspections, and reconditioning markings.

Effective Date: Pending

Contact: cstcc@aar.com

Type: Solicitation

Circular Summary: C-14749

Subject: Solicitation – Revisions to MSRP Section S-I Casting Details, Specification M-201 Castings Steel

Date: March 3, 2026

File Number: CSTC-S-M201.12

Purpose: Solicits comments on updates to definitions and mechanical property testing requirements.

Effective Date: Pending

Contact: cstcc@aar.com

Type: Solicitation

Circular Summary: C-14750

Subject: Car Repair Facility Labor Rate

Date: March 4, 2026

File Number: CRB-LR

Purpose: Announces the U.S. Car Repair Facility Labor Rate effective April 1, 2026.

Effective Date: April 1, 2026

Contact: billp@aar.org

Type: Informational

Circular Summary: C-14751

Subject: Solicitation – Revisions to MSRP Section C-II, Design, Fabrication ,and Construction of Freight Cars section M-1001 Chapter 5

Date: March 5, 2026

File Number: EEC 170.20.64

Purpose: Solicits comments on editorial consolidation of workmanship requirements.

Effective Date: Pending

Contact: jon_hannafious@aar.com

Type: Solicitation

Circular Summary: C-14752

Subject: Solicitation – Revisions to MSRP Section C-II, Design, Fabrication ,and Construction of Freight Cars section M-1001 Chapter 3

Date: March 5, 2026

File Number: EEC 170.10.100

Purpose: Solicits comments on proposed Charpy V-notch impact toughness revisions.

Effective Date: Pending

Contact: jon_hannafious@aar.com

Type: Solicitation

Circular Summary: C-14753

Subject: Solicitation – Revisions to MSRP Section C-I, Car Construction fundamentals and Details Standard S-2058

Date: March 9, 2026

File Number: EEC 170.10.79

Purpose: Solicits comments on adding a new EMS-4 pocket configuration.

Effective Date: Pending

Contact: eec@aar.com

Type: Solicitation

Circular Summary: C-14754

Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section C-I, Car Construction fundamentals and Details Standard S-2057 Draft Arrangements 24-5/8" pockets.

Date: March 9, 2026

File Number: EEC 170.10.79

Purpose: Implements corrected dimensional references in Figures 5.1 and 8.1.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: eec@aar.com

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: C-14755

Subject: 2026 AAR M-1003 Quality Assurance Auditor Training Schedule Update

Date: March 16, 2026

File Number: QA 2026-03-18

Purpose: Updates the 2026 training schedule for AAR M-1003 auditors.

Effective Date: N/A

Contact: QA@aar.com

Type: Informational

Circular Summary: C-14756

Subject: Canadian Car Repair Facility Labor Rate

Date: March 16, 2026

File Number: CRB-CAN-LR

Purpose: Announces Canadian labor rate effective April 1, 2026.

Effective Date: April 1, 2026

Contact: billp@aar.org

Type: Informational

Circular Summary: C-14757

Subject: Update to the Car Repair Billing Data Exchange (CRBDX) Schedule

Date: March 23, 2026

File Number: CRB-DXRUN

Purpose: Revises April 2026 CRBDX production dates due to a Railinc holiday.

Effective Date: April 1, 2026

Contact: csc@railinc.com

Type: Informational

Circular Summary: C-14758

Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section F, Sensors, S-920 Appendix A

Date: March 27, 2026

File Number: S-920_AppendixA

Purpose: Implements approved revisions modernizing Appendix A Wheel Set Data Glossary requirements.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: gdeibler@aar.org

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: CPC-1440

Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section C Part III, M-1002 Chapter 2 2.2.13.3

Date: March 10, 2026

File Number: CPC-1440

Purpose: Implements revised marking and warning seal provisions for purged tank cars under pressure.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: Tank Car Safety – AAR

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: CPC-1441

Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section C Part III, M-1002 Appendix B Table B.2

Date: March 10, 2026

File Number: CPC-1441

Purpose: Implements revision modifying service equipment certification requirements for Activity Code C6r.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: Tank Car Safety – AAR

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: CPC-1442

Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section C Part III, M-1002 Appendix B

Date: March 10, 2026

File Number: CPC-1442

Purpose: Implements revised C6r modification capability demonstration requirements.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: Tank Car Safety – AAR

Type: Implementation

Circular Summary: CPC-1443

Subject: Informational – Cracks Found on 6F Stainless Steel Nuts

Date: March 10, 2026

File Number: AAR Staff

Purpose: Advises industry of potentially defective ASTM A194 Grade 6F stainless steel nuts supplied by Fastenal.

Effective Date: Immediately

Contact: Fastenal / AAR

Type: Informational

Circular Summary: CPC-1444

Subject: Solicitation – Proposed Revisions to MSRP Appendix D ¶4.0

Date: March 12, 2026

File Number: CPC-1444

Purpose: Solicits comments on proposed PRV and hydrostatic testing revisions; Exhibit PC-1 required.

Effective Date: Pending

Contact: hkhalid@aar.org

Type: Solicitation