

## **IROR General Rule 2.3**

*Employees must*

*(d) not ride the side or above the roof of moving equipment when there are passing side or overhead restrictions, or both,*

## **CROR General Rule D**

*Each employee must be acquainted with, and be on the lookout for, restricted side and overhead clearances. Where standard restricted clearance signs are used, no other advice of restricted clearance will elsewhere or otherwise be given. If such signs are not provided in a yard or terminal, the location of the restricted clearance will be shown in special instructions.*

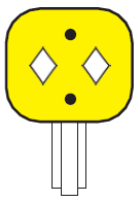
**SITUATION:** You're riding the side of a rail car, on the leading end of the movement. As the movement approaches a highway overpass, you notice a restricted clearance sign to the right of the right of way.

**QUESTION:** Are you permitted to ride the side of the rail car under the highway overpass?

**ANSWER:** No. employees are not permitted to ride the side or above the roof of moving equipment when passing side or overhead restricted clearances. When encountering a restricted clearances movements should be stopped before such restriction. The employee detains the equipment and then positions themselves beyond the restriction where they can observe and control the movement without any risk of injury.

**INTERPRETATION:** When there is an indication of a side or overhead restricted clearance, employees are not permitted to ride the side of moving equipment at the location where such restriction is present.

**SUMMARY:** Restricted clearances present a significant pinch point hazard in many industrial rail yard settings. Employees must know the location of all side or overhead restricted clearances in the work areas. These will be indicated by a fixed signal / sign or designated in company specific general operating instructions.



B. When pushing or pulling cars through loading station, employees must not ride on side of cars account restricted clearance.