# LOADING AND BRACING® IN SIDE OPENING ISO CONTAINERS OF 2.75 INCH HYDRA ROCKETS PACKED IN PA150 CYLINDRICAL METAL CONTAINERS, ON METAL PALLETS

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#### **GENERAL NOTES**

- A. THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED AND ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR 740-1 AND AUGMENTS TM 743-200-1 (CHAPTER 5).
- B. THE SPECIFIED OUTLOADING PROCEDURES ARE APPLICABLE TO PALLETIZED LOADS OF 2.75 INCH HYDRA ROCKETS PACKED IN PA150 SERIES METAL CONTAINERS. SUBSEQUENT REFERENCE TO PALLET UNIT HEREIN MEANS THE PALLET UNIT WITH AMMUNITION ITEMS. SEE PAGE 4 AND AMC DRAWING 19-48-4231/60-20PM1006 FOR DETAILS OF THE PALLET UNIT. CAUTION: REGARDLESS OF THE QUANTITY OF PALLET UNITS TO BE SHIPPED, THE "MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT" OF THE SIDE OPENING ISO CONTAINER MUST NOT BE EXCEPTED.
- C. THE LOADS AS SHOWN ARE BASED ON A 6,050 POUND 20' LONG BY 8' WIDE BY 8'-6" HIGH SIDE OPENING ISO CONTAINER WITH INSIDE DIMENSIONS OF 19'-4" LONG BY 88" WIDE BY 88" HIGH, WITH A MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT OF 52,910 POUNDS. THE LOAD IS DESIGNED FOR TRAILER/CONTAINER-ON-FLATCAR (T/COFC) SHIPMENT; HOWEVER, THE LOAD AS DESIGNED CAN ALSO BE MOVED BY OTHER SURFACE MODES OF TRANSPORT. NOTICE: OTHER CONTAINERS OF THE SAME DESIGN CONFIGURATION CAN BE USED.
- D. WHEN LOADING PALLET UNITS, THEY ARE TO BE POSITIONED SO AS TO ACHIEVE A TIGHT LOAD (TIGHT AGAINST THE DUNNAGE ASSEMBLIES). THE UNBLOCKED SPACE ACROSS THE WIDTH OF A LOAD BAY IS NOT TO EXCEED 1-1/2". EXCESSIVE SLACK CAN BE ELIMINATED FROM A LOAD BY LAMINATING ADDITIONAL PIECES OF APPROPRIATE THICKNESS TO THE SIDE FILL ASSEMBLIES. NAIL EACH ADDITIONAL PIECE TO A HORIZONTAL PIECE W/1 APPROPRIATELY SIZED NAIL EVERY 12". ADDITIONALLY, THE THICKNESS AND/OR QUANTITY OF THE DUNNAGE LUMBER USED MAY BE ADJUSTED AS REQUIRED TO FACILITATE VARIANCE IN THE SIZE OF THE PALLET UNIT. THE LOADS MUST BE AS TIGHT AS POSSIBLE LONGITUDINALLY, BUT THE VOID MUST NOT EXCEED 3/4" OVERALL. EXCESSIVE SLACK CAN BE ELIMINATED BY LAMINATING ADDITIONAL PIECES OF APPROPRIATE THICKNESS TO THE CENTER FILL ASSEMBLY. NAIL EACH ADDITIONAL PIECE TO A HORIZONTAL PIECE W/1 APPROPRIATELY SIZED NAIL EVERY 12".
- E. THIS DRAWING DEPICTS A 16-PALLET UNIT MAXIMUM CONFIGURATION, WITH A LADING WEIGHT OF 44,954 POUNDS. DUE TO RESTRICTIONS ENACTED BY THE SURFACE DEPLOYMENT AND DISTRIBUTION COMMAND AND THE JOINT MUNITIONS COMMAND, ANY ISO CONTAINER DESTINED TO BE MOVED OVER CONUS HIGHWAYS CAN'T EXCEED 40,000 POUNDS GROSS WEIGHT. IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THIS RESTRICTION, THREE OR MORE PALLET UNITS MUST BE ELIMINATED FROM THE 16-PALLET UNIT MAXIMUM LOAD. SEE THE LESS-THAN-FULL-LOAD PROCEDURES ON PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS.
- F. A STAGGERED NAILING PATTERN WILL BE USED WHENEVER POSSIBLE WHEN NAILS ARE DRIVEN INTO JOINTS OF DUNNAGE ASSEMBLIES OR WHEN LAMINATING DUNNAGE. ADDITIONALLY, THE NAILING PATTERN FOR AN UPPER PIECE OF LAMINATED DUNNAGE WILL BE ADJUSTED AS REQUIRED SO THAT A NAIL FOR THAT PIECE WILL NOT BE DRIVEN THROUGH ONTO OR RIGHT BESIDE A NAIL IN A LOWER PIECE.
- G. IN SOME CONTAINERS THERE IS A SLOT AT THE CORNERS OF THE END-WALLS. PIECES OF DUNNAGE MATERIAL MUST BE LAMINATED TO THE BUFFER PIECES ON THE END BLOCKING ASSEMBLIES TO PROVIDE A FLAT SURFACE FOR THE BUFFER PIECES. A PIECE OF 2" X 4", 2" X 3" OR A SPECIAL WIDTH PIECE CUT-TO-FIT CAN BE USED. THIS FILL PIECE WILL BE NAILED WITH ONE APPROPRIATELY SIZED NAIL EVERY 12". NOTE THAT SOME CONTAINERS ARE EQUIPPED WITH "TIE-BARS" IN THE CORNER SLOT, WHICH PRECLUDE THE USE OF A FULL HEIGHT FILL PIECE. WHEN "TIE-BARS" ARE PRESENT, THE FILL PIECE MUST BE INSTALLED IN SEGMENTS DESIGNED TO FIT BETWEEN THE "TIE-BARS" VERTICALLY. THE FILL PIECE(S) IS NOT REQUIRED WHEN THE CORNER PORTIONS OF THE CONTAINER ENDWALLS ARE SMOOTH AND FLAT. DO NOT ALLOW ANY DUNNAGE ASSEMBLY TO CONTACT THE CONTAINER ENDWALLS, ONLY THE CORNER POSTS OF THE CONTAINER SHOULD BE USED FOR LONGITUDINAL BLOCKING.
- H. WHETHER A CONTAINER IS FULL OR IS LOADED WITH A REDUCED QUANTITY OF LADING UNITS, THE LENGTHWISE CENTER OF GRAVITY OF THE LOAD MUST BE WITHIN 12", IN EITHER DIRECTION, OF THE MID-POINT OF THE CONTAINING
- J.  $\underline{\text{CAUTION}}:$  DO NOT NAIL DUNNAGE MATERIAL TO THE CONTAINER WALLS OR FLOOR. ALL NAILING WILL BE WITHIN THE DUNNAGE.
- K. PORTIONS OF THE CONTAINER DEPICTED WITHIN THIS DRAWING, SUCH AS THE SIDE DOORS, HAVE NOT BEEN SHOWN IN THE LOAD VIEWS FOR CLARITY PIIRPOSES

#### L. MAXIMUM LOAD WEIGHT CRITERIA:

THE MAXIMUM LOAD WEIGHTS ARE CONTROLLED BY EQUIPMENT CAPABILITY FACTORS. ALTHOUGH THE HEAVIEST MAXIMUM LOADS ARE DELINEATED IN THE LOAD VIEWS, PROVISIONS ARE INCLUDED WITHIN THIS DRAWING SO THAT THE BASIC LOADS CAN BE ADJUSTED TO SATISFY A LESSER QUANTITY OF LADING UNITS. DEPENDING ON TRANSPORTATION ROUTING, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO REDUCE THE LOAD WEIGHT TO SATISFY "WEIGHT LAWS" OF CERTAIN STATES. ALSO, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO REDUCE THE LOAD WEIGHT TO SATISFY OTHER WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON THE INTERMODAL CONTAINER SYSTEM.

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#### (GENERAL NOTES CONTINUED)

- M. REQUIREMENTS CITED WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS (AAR) INTERMODAL LOADING GUIDE APPLY WHEN THE SHIPMENT MOVES BY TRAILER/CONTAINER-ON-FLATCAR (T/COFC). SPECIAL T/COFC NOTES FOL-LOW.
  - A LOADED CONTAINER MUST BE ON A CHASSIS EQUIPPED WITH TWO BO-GIE ASSEMBLIES WHEN BEING MOVED IN TOFC SERVICE.
  - THE LOAD LIMIT OF A T/COFC RAILCAR MUST NOT BE EXCEEDED, NOR WILL A CAR BE LOADED SO THAT THE TRUCK UNDER ONE END OF THE CAR CARRIES MORE THAN ONE-HALF OF THE LOAD LIMIT FOR THAT CAR.
- N. DURING INTRASTATE AND/OR INTERSTATE MOVES BY MOTOR CARRIER, A PROPER CHASSIS OR MODIFIED FLATBED TRAILER MUST BE USED TO PRECLUDE VIOLATION OF ONE OR MORE "WEIGHT LAWS" APPLICABLE TO THE STATE OR STATES INVOLVED.
- O. CONVERSION TO METRIC EQUIVALENTS: DIMENSIONS WITHIN THIS DOCUMENT ARE EXPRESSED IN INCHES AND WEIGHTS ARE EXPRESSED IN POUNDS. WHEN NECESSARY, THE METRIC EQUIVALENTS MAY BE COMPUTED ON THE BASIS OF ONE INCH EQUALS 25.4MM AND ONE POUND EQUALS 0.454 KG.
- P. THE QUANTITY OF PALLET UNITS SHOWN IN THE LOAD ON PAGE 3 MAY BE REDUCED FOR SHIPMENT, IF DESIRED. SEE THE FILLER ASSEMBLY AND THE "LESS-THAN-FULL-LOAD PROCEDURE" ON PAGE 7.
- Q. LOAD-BLOCKING STRUTS WHICH ARE 48" OR LONGER MUST BE STIFFENED BY THE APPLICATION OF HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL STRUT BRACING AS SHOWN ON PAGE 7. BRACING IS NOT REQUIRED IF THE STRUTS FOR THE LOAD BEING SHIPPED ARE SHORTER THAN 48". THE LENGTH OF THE LOAD-BLOCKING STRUTS SHOULD BE KEPT AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE (APPROX 18" MINIMUM), BUT IN THE EVENT IT IS NECESSARY TO USE STRUTS WHICH ARE 8"-0" OR MORE IN LENGTH, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO APPLY AN ADDITIONAL SET OF HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL STRUT BRACING PIECES. STRUT BRACING SHOULD BE APPLIED SO AS TO PROVIDE NEARLY EQUAL SPACES BETWEEN THE BRACING PIECES AND THE CENTER GATES AND/OR BETWEEN ADJACENT STRUT BRACING PIECES. NOTE THAT HORIZONTAL STRUT BRACING PIECES FOR THE SECOND LEVEL OF STRUTS MAY BE DIFFICULT TO APPLY TO THE TOP SURFACE OF THE STRUTS AS DEPICTED. STRUT BRACING WILL BE EQUALLY EFFECTIVE IF APPLIED TO THE UNDER SIDE OF THOSE STRUTS.
- R. ANTI-CHAFING MATERIAL MAY BE INSTALLED AT POINTS OF CONTACT BETWEEN PALLET UNITS, AND BETWEEN PALLET UNITS AND THE SIDE OPENING CONTAINER, IF DESIRED, TO PREVENT CHAFING DAMAGE TO CONTAINER PAINT AND MARKINGS.
- S. DUNNAGE LUMBER SPECIFIED IS OF NOMINAL SIZE. FOR EXAMPLE, 1" X 4" MATERIAL IS ACTUALLY 3/4" THICK BY 3-1/2" WIDE AND 2" X 6" MATERIAL IS ACTUALLY 1-1/2" THICK BY 5-1/2" WIDE.

#### T. RECOMMENDED SEQUENTIAL LOADING PROCEDURES (PAGE 3):

- PREFABRICATE TWO END BLOCKING ASSEMBLIES, ONE SEPARATOR, AND TWO SIDE FILL ASSEMBLIES. THE CENTER FILL ASSEMBLY WILL DEPEND ON MEASUREMENTS FROM THE LOAD FOR CONSTRUCTION.
- 2. INSTALL ONE END BLOCKING ASSEMBLY.
- 3. LOAD SIX PALLET UNITS.
- 4. REPEAT STEPS 2 AND 3.
- 5. INSTALL THE SEPARATOR AND ONE SIDE FILL ASSEMBLY.
- 6. LOAD FOUR PALLET UNITS.
- 7. INSTALL THE CENTER FILL ASSEMBLY.
- 8. INSTALL ONE SIDE FILL ASSEMBLY.

### **MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS**

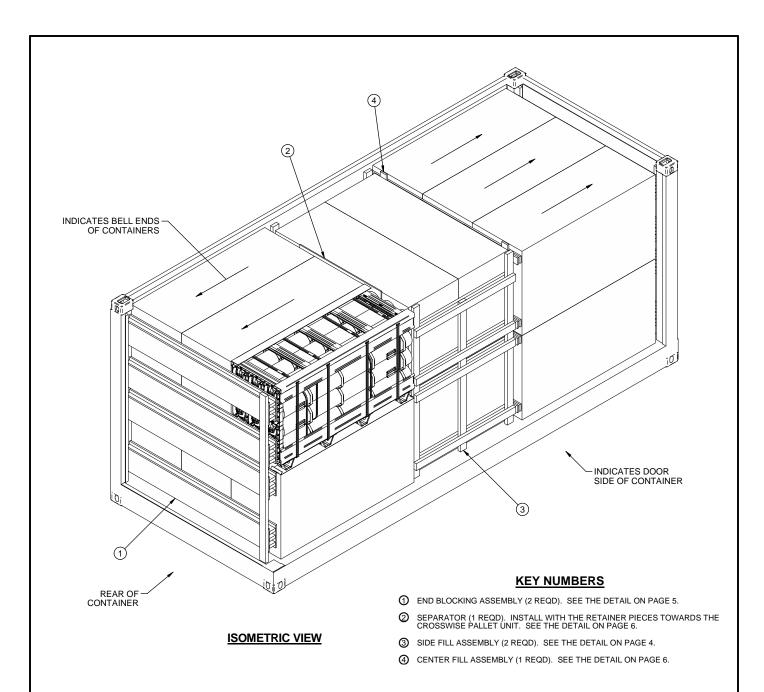
<u>LUMBER</u> :	SEE TM 743-200-1 (DUNNAGE LUMBER) AND VOL- UNTARY PRODUCT STANDARD PS 20.
<u>NAILS</u> :	ASTM F1667; COMMON STEEL NAIL (NLCMS OR NLCMMS).
<u>PLYWOOD</u> :	COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION A-A-55057, INDUSTRIAL PLYWOOD, INTERIOR WITH EXTERIOR GLUE, GRADE C-D. IF SPECIFIED GRADE IS NOT AVAILABLE, A BETTER INTERIOR OR AN EXTERIOR GRADE MAY BE SUBSTITUTED.
<u>WIRE, CARBON STEEL</u> -:	ASTM A853; ANNEALED AT FINISH, BLACK OXIDE FINISH, 0.0800" DIA, GRADE 1006 OR BETTER.
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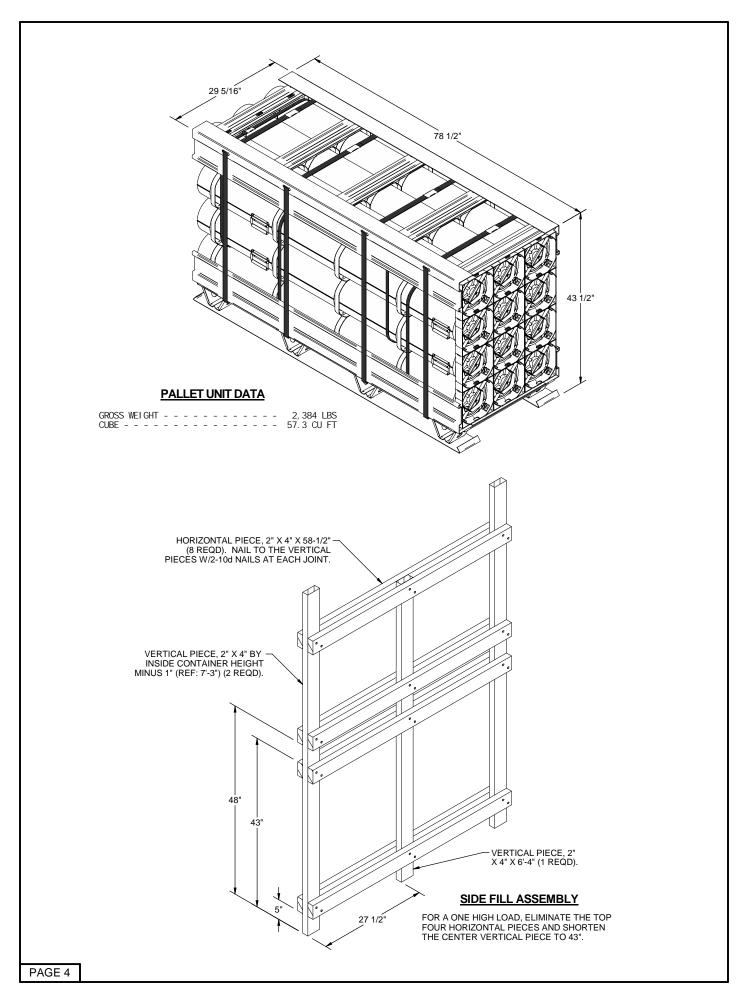


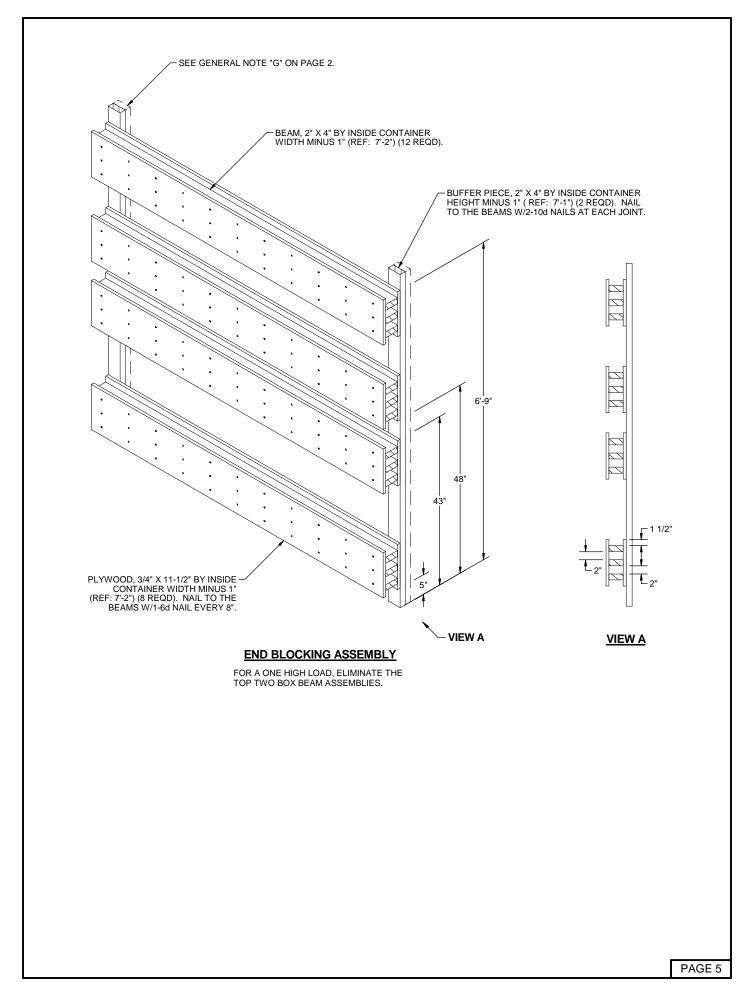
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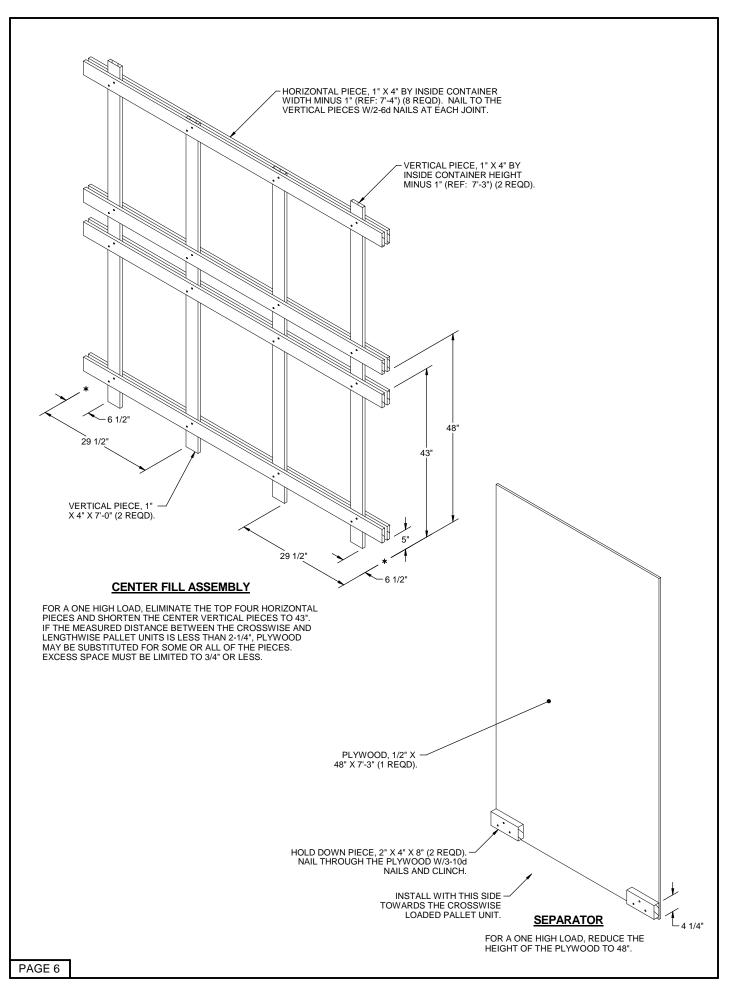
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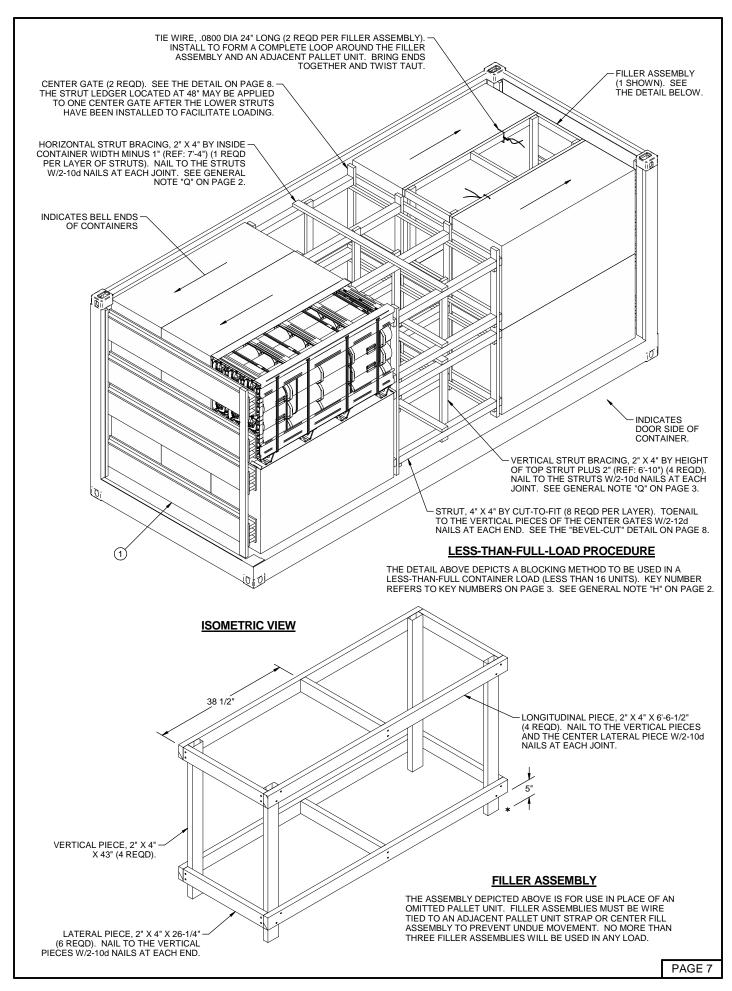
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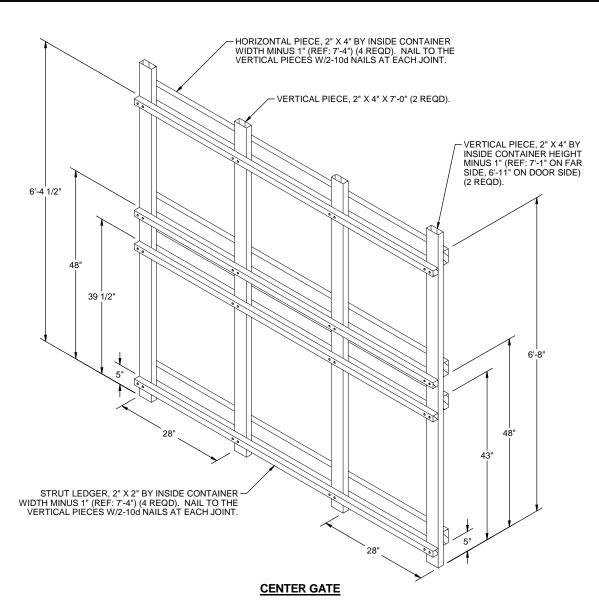
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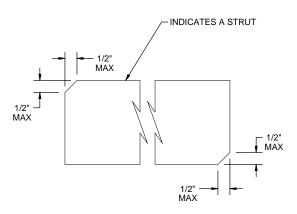








FOR A ONE HIGH LOAD, ELIMINATE THE TOP TWO HORIZONTAL PIECES AND THE TOP TWO STRUT LEDGERS, AND SHORTEN THE CENTER VERTICAL PIECES TO 48".



# **BEVEL CUT**

IF DESIRED, EACH END OF A STRUT OR DOOR SPANNER MAY BE BEVEL-CUT AS SHOWN ABOVE TO FACILITATE INSTALLING THE STRUTS WITH A "DRIVE" FIT.