OTLR Committee Approved Methods for Proper Securement of Cables on Empty Center Beam Cars

22.4.3 All cables must be properly secured per manufacturer’s recommendation prior to car movement (Fig. 22.5).

![Fig. 22.5 Properly secured cable for empty movement of railcar](image)

Carriers reserve the right to impose tariff charges for failure to comply with General Rule 22.4.3.

Notes and Additional Requirements:

1. Cables are to pass over the hanger hook located on center beam upright post and connect to an anchor hook or a deck or riser key slot on the other side of car.
2. Only one cable per key slot or anchor hook.

**Anchor Hook and Key Slot Examples**

3. Tension cables until taut, do not over tension causing damage to car structure/components.

**Additional Cable Securement Options**

If the center hanger or side securement hooks are broken, missing or unusable use securement option 2.

**Option 2:** Use the outer facing key slot (shown below) located on the center beam upright post in the center of car directly in line with winch. Tension cables until taut, do not over tension causing damage to car structure/components.
If the key slots and the hanger hook on the center beam upright post are damaged or missing, use securement option 3.

**Option 3:** Connect cable to an anchor hook or a deck/riser key slot on the opposite side of car directly across from the winch.

This option is the least desirable, however the cable is to run directly across from the winch to opposite side of deck.

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Examples of Unacceptably Secured Cables: