

The FM-11 class flat car was built at the company shops in Galesburg, Illinois (GT) in 1928 and 1929. They were assigned numbers 91000-91249 and had arch bar freight trucks applied as original equipment. These trucks were replaced with Andrews trucks shortly after initial construction. The FM-11A class was built by the railroad at Galesburg in 1930. The FM-11A cars were assigned numbers 91250-91849 and had Andrews cast steel freight trucks applied. In all, 850 cars were built.

The cars were 45 feet in length over the end sill flanges and 8 foot 10 inches in width over the side sills. The car length over the striker plates was 45 feet 9 inches. The car deck did not extend over the stake pockets. The car height was 4 foot 2 inches from the top of the rail to the top of the floor.

Parts List:

Cast resin carbody (outer frame and inner underframe pieces); cast resin deck; cast resin parts sheet (diagonal underframe bracing, coupler pockets, brake system hangers and mounts, center sill cover); Kadee #158 couplers; Tichy AB brake set (and exploded parts sheet); decals and car info sheet; instructions. Trucks are not provided. The modeler will also need to provide brass wire for grabs and other items as well as plastic strip material.



FM-11A (Model by Ed Rethwisch/photo by Jerry Hamsmith)

To order these kits (U.S. orders only accepted), please complete (print please), cut out, and include the following mailing information with a check or money order for \$40 per kit (plus \$6 mailing and packaging per kit) to:

Jerry Hamsmith  
1010 Johnston Drive  
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Name	_____
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Number: kits + mailing costs (\$46) x _____ = _____	
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HO Scale CB&Q GS drop bottom gons

December 2022

The CB&Q railroad either purchased or built 8,550 GS class gons from 1922 through 1938. Early GS production gons (through the first built group of cars in the GS-5 class) were given K-type brakes and archbar trucks. These items were replaced on all cars when they were shopped or overhauled during the 1940s, if not before. For those modeling before WWII, consult prototype photos for any specific car components. These kits are designed to model cars as they would typically have been post-WWII. The wood end kit is specifically created to build a GS-8 class car although earlier car classes could be built with some modifications to the kit.

#### Parts List:

Cast resin carbody; cast resin floor; cast resin parts sheets (drop door guides, sill steps, B end platform, coupler pockets, brake system hangers); Tichy AB brake set; steel weight; decals and car info sheet; instructions. Trucks and couplers are not provided. The modeler will also need to provide brass wire for grabs and other parts as well as plastic strip material.

An information sheet is included regarding the various classes of GS gons either purchased or built by the railroad. The modeler can also reference the Freight Car Data Sheet on the Composite Gondola Fleet available from the Burlington Route Historical Society.



Wood End Car (Model and photo by Jerry Hamsmith)

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Parts List:

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Steel End Car (Model and photo by Jerry Hamsmith)

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## HO SCALE DECALS AVAILABLE

Limited supplies of the HO scale decals described below are available as of December 1, 2021. Some sets are available in only very limited quantities – see note below. Each is designed to fit onto a readily available HO model.

### CB&Q decals

- HT-5 Chicago Burlington & Quincy (white lettering)     \$7.00 each  
55-ton hopper set (Athearn #5447). Set will do two complete cars in as built pre-1958 scheme. Boxcar red car.
- HT-B Chicago Burlington & Quincy (black lettering)     \$4.00 each  
70-ton hopper set (Accurail #7500 and Stewart #10300). Set will do one special orange car with TIMKEN BEARING trucks numbered 170490 - 170499 built in 1949. Most of these cars kept this scheme until the late 1950s. Orange car.
- HT-10 Chicago Burlington & Quincy (white lettering)     \$6.00 each  
70-ton hopper set (Accurail #7500 and Stewart #10300). Set will do two complete cars in the original railroad roman scheme. Boxcar red car.
- HT-8 Chicago Burlington & Quincy (white lettering)     \$4.00 each  
55-ton composite hopper set (Proto 2000 and Athearn #5420 kits). Sheet will do one car in as built pre-1958 scheme. Boxcar red car.
- XM-Wood    CB&Q WOOD Boxcars (single sheathed cars)     \$6.00 each  
40-foot, wooden box cars with steel end (Accurail #4300) and wooden end (Accurail #4100). Sheet will do two complete cars: Both from the CB&Q XM-25, XM-26, XM-21, or XM-22 series or one from the above and one FW&D or C&S car. Post 1936 Railroad Roman lettering and "Everywhere West" slogan for door. Boxcar red car.
- XM-32    CB&Q Steel Box Cars (white lettering)     \$5.00 each  
40-foot, steel car set (Branchline #1400, Athearn #1200, C&BT #100 or #3100, InterMountain #4080). Set will do any one CB&Q car built between 1940 and 1953 in pre-1958 scheme. Also contains Express car herald. Boxcar red car.
- MWB    CB&Q Hart Ballast Car (white lettering)     \$7.00 each  
Hart Ballast car (Atlas Model). The Q purchased 250 of the 70-ton Hart Selective Ballast cars from ACF in June of 1941. They were classed MWB-13 and numbered 221000-221249. Sheet includes various load limit stencils and ACF symbol. Sheet will do one car. Boxcar red car.
- GM    CB&Q 53' 6" Mill Gondolas (white lettering)     \$5.00 each  
GM-4 (solid bottom, drop ends) GM-4A (solid bottom, solid ends) (Proto 2000) class cars can be lettered with this set. Railroad Roman style. Sheet will do one car. Boxcar red car.

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- GS CB&Q Drop Bottom Composite Gondolas (white lettering) \$5.00 each  
 GS-5, GS-7, and GS-8 (all drop bottom composite) (Sunshine and RH Models) class cars.  
 Sheet will do one complete car in Railroad Roman font. Boxcar red car.
- HC-1 CB&Q Covered Hoppers (white lettering) \$5.00 each  
 HC-1 and 1A class covered hoppers built between 1940 and 1957 (InterMountain and  
 Bowser models). Sheet will do one complete car (CB&Q only) in pre-1958 Railroad  
 Roman scheme. Boxcar red car.
- LO-1 CB&Q Covered Hoppers (black lettering) \$5.00 each  
 LO-1 Airslide 2,600 cubic foot covered hoppers built in 1954 and 1955. Appropriate for  
 cars numbered in series 87000-87229 only (Athearn, Walthers, and Con-Cor models).  
 Sheet will do one car. Gray car.
- Reweigh Set CB&Q (white lettering) \$5.00 each  
 Appropriate abbreviations for scale location throughout the Q system and reweigh dates  
 covering January, 1950 through July, 1954. Contains enough material for over 50 cars.  
 Info sheet also lists facilities at the various locations. **OUT OF STOCK.**
- FM-14 CB&Q Flat Cars (white lettering) \$5.00 each  
 FM-14 53' 6" flats built from 1940 thru 1957. (Chad Boas model). Sheet will do one  
 car. Boxcar red car.

**Some of the above decals are in very limited supply. Email me at [hammersr@aol.com](mailto:hammersr@aol.com) before ordering.** Send check or money order only to: **Jerry Hamsmith**, 1010 Johnston Drive, Aurora, IL 60506. Include \$1.50 postage and handling with each order. Allow three weeks delivery time for in stock decals.