

The so-called Northeastern Design Caboose was one of the first mass-produced all-steel construction cabooses. Originally designed by the Reading Railroad in the early 1920s, it was based in a proposed USRA design car, although the USRA design called for wood sheathing. The Reading built 285 cars, spread through several classes. The earliest cars had solid underframes, but later cars were equipped with Duryea cushion underframes.

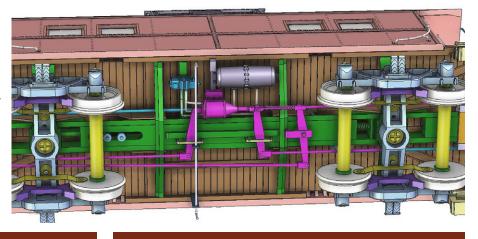
The Reading had such success with these cars that quickly other roads in the Northeast bought copies as well, including the Central Railroad of New Jersey, Lehigh & New England, Lehigh Valley, Pittsburg & West Virginia and the Western Maryland. The Reading built some of these cars while others were built in the various railroad's shops. With production spread out between so many locations and roads, variations were bound to be made to the original design. Different groups of cars were equipped with different trucks, running boards, steps, grabs and end wall windows (or lack thereof).

The cars soldiered on into Conrail and Chessie and saw service right up until the end of caboose operations on those roads. Many were sold second-hand to other railroads - Class I and shortlines alike. Because of their long life span and late service, many of these cabooses have gone on to be preserved either in museums, personal collections or even as part of hotels!

Rapido's all-new HO scale model has been developed from original blueprints, photos and field measurements. We have included several variations and addition details to accurately model these cabooses from the beginning to the end of their service lives.

Rapido's Northeastern Cabooses Feature:

- Three styles of truck: Andrews, Birdsboro and Taylor
- Two different cupola roofs
- Two-tread or three-tread steps
- Two different sides standard and Lehigh Valley with rain gutters above the windows.
- Three different end walls Solid (RDG, CNJ), single window (LV) and double window (WM)
- Two running boards: Integral diamond-tread and Allan Wood
- Multiple optional parts including stacks, window blanks, etched window frame and screens, tool boxes and more!
- Full Duryea Cushion underframe details
- Turned metal wheels
- Operating interior lights
- Factory-installed Kadee #158 couplers



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Northeastern Design Caboose



Central RR of New Jersey - Liberty Scheme

14400 I	Road Number # 91502
144002	#91513
144003	#91534



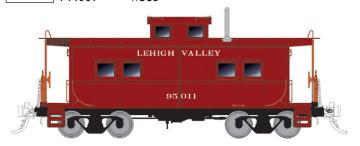
Central RR of New Jersey - Coast Guard scheme

144004	#91515
144005	#91529
144006	#91534



Lehigh & New England

Item	Road Numb
144007	#580
144008	#582
144009	#583



Lehigh Valley - Tuscan

144010	Road Number # 95011
144011	#95028
144012	#95041



Lehigh Valley - Black Diamond

144013	Road Number #A95091
144014	#A95093
144015	#A95102



Reading - Red

Item 144016	Road Number # 92834
144017	#92882
144018	#92928



Reading - Green and Yellow

144019	#92835
144020	#92846
144021	#92902

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Western Maryland - Fast Freight

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14	4023	#1863
14	4024	#1890



Western Maryland - Speed Lettering

144025	Road Number #1802
144026	#1869
144027	#1900



144028	Road Number
144029	#1869
144030	#1901



Conrail

14403 I	Road Numbe #18627
144032	#18632
144033	#18693



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