

Piggyback – The point-to-point movement of one transportation vehicle upon another. A highway semitrailer on a railroad flat car is the usual form of piggyback transportation.

Road Railer – A standard 45' dry van fitted with a hydraulically adjusted bogie between the rear axles. The unit is thus bi-modal and can operate on either rail or road.

Ro-Ro Ship - Such vessels usually have stern ramps (but may have side doors) that permit cargo to be driven on and off on regular trailers, or special low profile trailers. Some vessels combine both ro ro and cellular containership features.

Semi-Containership – (Also known as a **Partial Containership**) – A conventional general cargo ship with one or two holds fitted with vertical cells. In most configurations, additional holds can be converted to cell stowage, if container traffic demands. Non-standard cargo containers and/or break bulk cargo is carried in the conventional holds and 'tween decks.

Single Axle Bogie – An assembly consisting of two wheels, axle, suspension system, and overhead mounting for securing and supporting one 20 ft. container. The bogie also carries rear lights, license plates, and mud guard flaps.

Special Purpose Containers – See Chapter Six

Split-Away Chassis – A 40 ft. chassis constructed so that it detaches at mid-point and becomes two 20 ft. chassis; each fitted with tie down corner fittings for receiving and securing a 20 ft. container. The two single axle bogies work in tandem when the chassis are joined together to form a 40 ft. unit, but separate (one under each chassis) when the unit is split into two 20 ft. chassis.

Stuff - To load a container.

Trailer on Flat Car (TOFC) – Probably the most common and best known form of piggyback. Highway truck trailers are either lifted on and off in side transfer, or else end loaded/unloaded from a fixed ramp. When containers move in this type of service they are first mounted on a chassis or bogie, prior to loading on the piggyback rail car.

Unitization – The consolidation of a number of individual items into one large shipping unit for easier handling. It is also the securing or loading of one or more large items of cargo onto a single structure, such as a pallet.