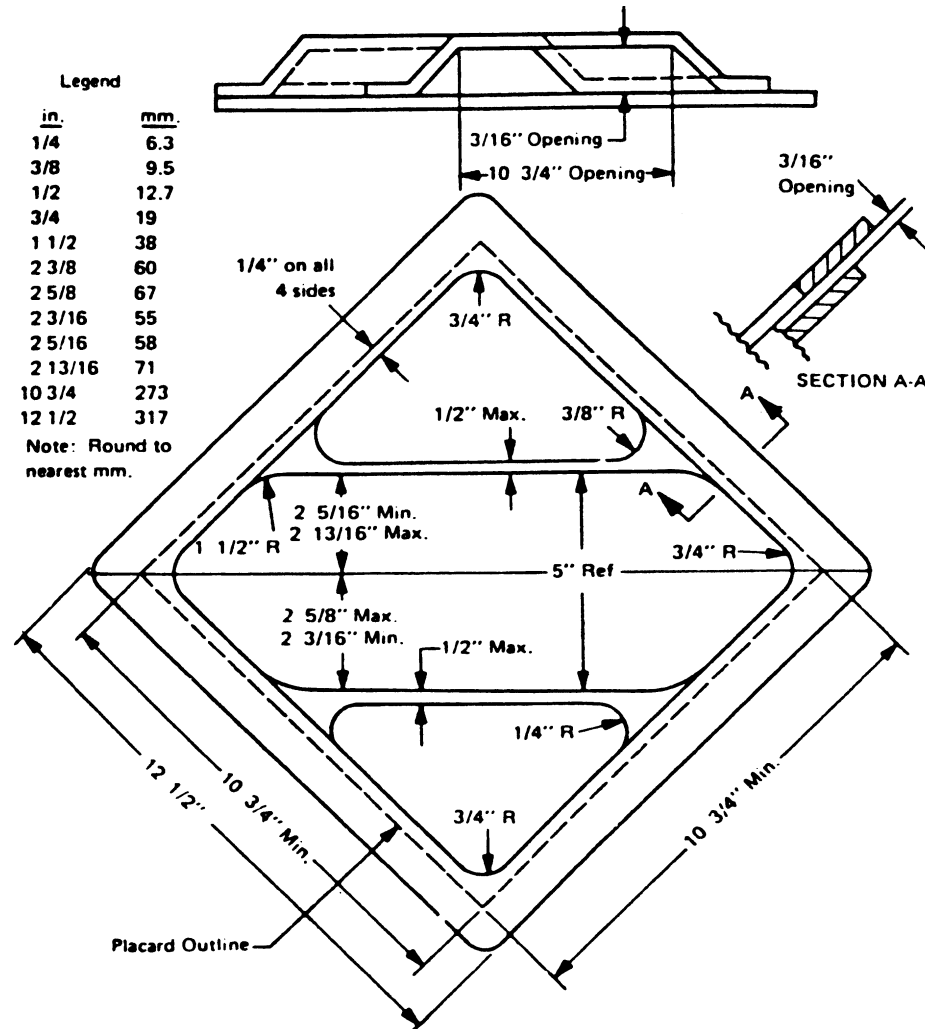


APPENDIX C TO PART 172—DIMENSIONAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR RECOMMENDED
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ANALYSIS FACTORS

A. This appendix sets forth the minimum criteria that must be considered by rail carriers when performing the safety and security risk analyses required by §172.820. The risk analysis to be performed may be quantitative, qualitative, or a combination of both. In addition to clearly identifying the hazardous material(s) and route(s) being analyzed, the analysis must provide a thorough

description of the threats, identified vulnerabilities, and mitigation measures implemented to address identified vulnerabilities.

B. In evaluating the safety and security of hazardous materials transport, selection of the route for transportation is critical. For the purpose of rail transportation route analysis, as specified in §172.820(c) and (d), a route may include the point where the carrier takes possession of the material and all track and railroad facilities up to the point