

**Subpart G—Definitions****§ 236.700 Definitions.**

For the purpose of these rules, standards, and instructions, the following definitions will apply.

**§ 236.701 Application, brake; full service.**

An application of the brakes resulting from a continuous or a split reduction in brake pipe pressure at a service rate until maximum brake cylinder pressure is developed. As applied to an automatic or electro-pneumatic brake with speed governor control, an application other than emergency which develops the maximum brake cylinder pressure, as determined by the design of the brake equipment for the speed at which the train is operating.

**§ 236.702 Arm, semaphore.**

The part of a semaphore signal displaying an aspect. It consists of a blade fastened to a spectacle.

**§ 236.703 Aspect.**

The appearance of a roadway signal conveying an indication as viewed from the direction of an approaching train; the appearance of a cab signal conveying an indication as viewed by an observer in the cab.

**§ 236.704 [Reserved]****§ 236.705 Bar, locking.**

A bar in an interlocking machine to which the locking dogs are attached.

**§ 236.706 Bed, locking.**

That part of an interlocking machine that contains or holds the tappets, locking bars, crosslocking, dogs and other apparatus used to interlock the levers.

**§ 236.707 Blade, semaphore.**

The extended part of a semaphore arm which shows the position of the arm.

**§ 236.708 Block.**

A length of track of defined limits, the use of which by trains is governed by block signals, cab signals, or both.

**§ 236.709 Block, absolute.**

A block in which no train is permitted to enter while it is occupied by another train.

**§ 236.710 Block, latch.**

The lower extremity of a latch rod which engages with a square shoulder of the segment or quadrant to hold the lever in position.

**§ 236.711 Bond, rail joint.**

A metallic connection attached to adjoining rails to insure electrical conductivity.

**§ 236.712 Brake pipe.**

A pipe running from the engineman's brake valve through the train, used for the transmission of air under pressure to charge and actuate the automatic brake equipment and charge the reservoirs of the electro-pneumatic brake equipment on each vehicle of the train.

**§ 236.713 Bridge, movable.**

That section of a structure bridging a navigable waterway so designed that it may be displaced to permit passage of traffic on the waterway.

**§ 236.714 Cab.**

The compartment of a locomotive from which the propelling power and power brakes of the train are manually controlled.

**§§ 236.715–236.716 [Reserved]****§ 236.717 Characteristics, operating.**

The measure of electrical values at which electrical or electronic apparatus operate (e.g., drop-away, pick-up, maximum and minimum current, and working value).

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**§ 236.718 Chart, dog.**

A diagrammatic representation of the mechanical locking of an interlocking machine, used as a working plan in making up, assembling and fitting the locking.

**§ 236.719 Circuit, acknowledgment.**

A circuit consisting of wire or other conducting material installed between