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Pennsylvania Railroad GLe Class Cement Car Project Information



The 'Pennsy' GLe class cement car was our first offering of freight equipment and it's a prototype that offered some great modeling opportunities. The PRR constructed 250 units in this class, more correctly, they rebuilt Standard Steel Car Company built GLb class open hopper cars into GLe's beginning in December of 1931 and a hand-full of cars remained in service beyond 1960.

There were two basic styles of construction for this class and we offered both; one having structural steel exterior side braces and the other utilizing 'pressed' steel side braces, the difference in appearance is striking as illustrated by the photos throughout this brochure. The 'red' car above is a 'structural' car with a 'K' style brake system. The 'grey' car above is a 'pressed' car with an 'AB' style brake system.

As noted, we offered two brake systems which is significant in order to have the models prototypically correct for various periods of operation. The 'K' brake system was used on freight equipment up until approximately 1943 and the 'AB' brake system from then on, our systems are completely and correctly detailed. We offered ten different configurations, including graphics, appropriate for the entire period of service, up to and including company service at the very end of the service life of the class.

Some of the detail offered in our models are 'punched' rivets: wooden walkways, operational hatches with prototypical locking bars, full underbody detail, complete interior detail, complete piping detail, scale operating brass couplers and sprung ball-bearing equipped 2D-F8 trucks with Kohs & Company specification wheel sets. Our first piece of rolling-stock was built to the same standards as our finest locomotives and we offered them at a bargain price!



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Version 1P (37 produced)

Version 1S (37 produced)





Version 2P (53 produced)

Version 2S (53 produced)





Version 3P (21 produced)

Version 3S (21 produced)





Version 4Pa (8 produced)

Version 4Sa (5 produced)





Version 4Pb (8 produced)

Version 4Sb (6 produced)





Version 5P (11 produced)

 $Version \ 5S \ (\textit{6 produced})$

Year	Version	Construction	Brake Style	Carbody Color	Graphics Style	Graphics Color
'32 -'44	1S	Structural	'K'	Freight Car Red	Circle-Keystone	White
'32 -'44	1P	Pressed	'K'	Freight Car Red	Circle-Keystone	White
'44 -'54	2S	Structural	'AB'	Freight Car Red	Circle-Keystone*	White
'44 - '54	2P	Pressed	'AB'	Freight Car Red	Circle-Keystone*	White
'54 - '62	3S	Structural	'AB'	Grey	Shadow-Keystone	Black
'54 - '62	3P	Pressed	'AB'	Grey	Shadow-Keystone	Black
'54 - '62	4Sa	Structural	'AB'	Grey	NA	Black
'54 - '62	4Sb	Structural	'AB'	Grey	Shadow-Keystone	Black
'54 -'62	4Pa	Pressed	'AB'	Grey	NA	Black
'54 -'62	4Pb	Pressed	'AB'	Grey	Shadow-Keystone	Black
'54 -'62	5S	Structural	'AB'	Grey	Plain-Keystone	Black
'54 -'62	5P	Pressed	'AB'	Grey	Plain-Keystone	Black

^{*} The 'Circle Keystone' graphics of version #2 are the same as version #1, but with the addition of the 'Return Empty to.........' stencil markings.

The table above is offered as a reference for those interested in modeling specific time periods. While the data included there in has been thoroughly researched, the exact time periods are not carved in stone, so there is some latitude in selecting specific desired styles while still meeting your time period criteria. You should also note that when orders were placed for multiple cars we shipped cars with different road numbers unless otherwise requested.

Some final detail notes regarding our GLe cement cars; regarding couplers, as noted our cars will come equipped with prototypical draft-gear boxes and scale operating brass couplers, we will make every effort to simplify the process of converting to Kadee style couplers for those so inclined. For those interested in the weight of our GLe, they came in at just over one pound (1.12lbs) so they carry enough weight out of the box to run reliably in long consists. The total production quantity was 266 models, next to each version number on the adjacent page is the quantity produced of that specific version. We hope that you find this information useful.



