

Appendix D - Data Field Color Meanings

The background colors of various data fields or labels have meanings. Here is a list of some of them:

Yellow background data description label:

- a) With a white 3-D data field box (ex "Load/Commodity" data field in Figure D-1):
 - Dropdown list for data with limited values (ex: the "Make this shipment" data field in Figure D-1).
 - Text for data with any value
- b) With a flat (non 3-D) data field with a pale green background(ex: "Average grade between stations" data field in Figure D-2):
 - Data that interacts with other data.
 - Calculated data that can be adjusted to fine tune the operation, but which in most cases should be left alone.
- c) Display with the associated data field having a darker green background:
 - Data related to a data field on the same line (ex "STCC" data field in Figure D-1).

Light Purple data description label:

- a) Previous data when comparing to new data.
- b) Data description explanation label.
(Note that the light purple background labels are mostly used in DCC and weighscale sections).

Middle Green (ex: "Charges \$" data field in Figure D-1):

- a) An instruction. (ex: The text with the Middle Green background above the two radio buttons in Figure D-3).
- b) Data calculated/managed by ProTrak and based at least in part on a "flat" data field box with a white background. The Middle Green data should be left alone, but can be fine-tuned by altering the entry in the associated white data field. Resulting data forms an instruction, or is related to an instruction.

Middle Blue background (ex: Last line in right hand column of Figure D-1):

- a) "Test" data.
- b) Notice that the data needs to be changed.
- c) Option to select which "list of data" to display in the right-hand panel.

Red: Serious error or problem (with two exceptions):

- a) Missing siding numbers.
- b) Hotbox display.
- c) Exceptions:
 - 1. "STOP" button on DCC throttles.
 - 2. Label for "Railway Clearances" as the cover of the book is actually red.

Bright Yellow: operational issues warning

- a) Cutlist is pending for car routed into this train.
- b) No trains being held at yard.

Pink: Waybill information in the "Changing active car..." window.

A colored background (pink) indicates the car has a waybill assigned but is on its way to the shipper. The car is "Empty for load" (tt).

Sample Windows

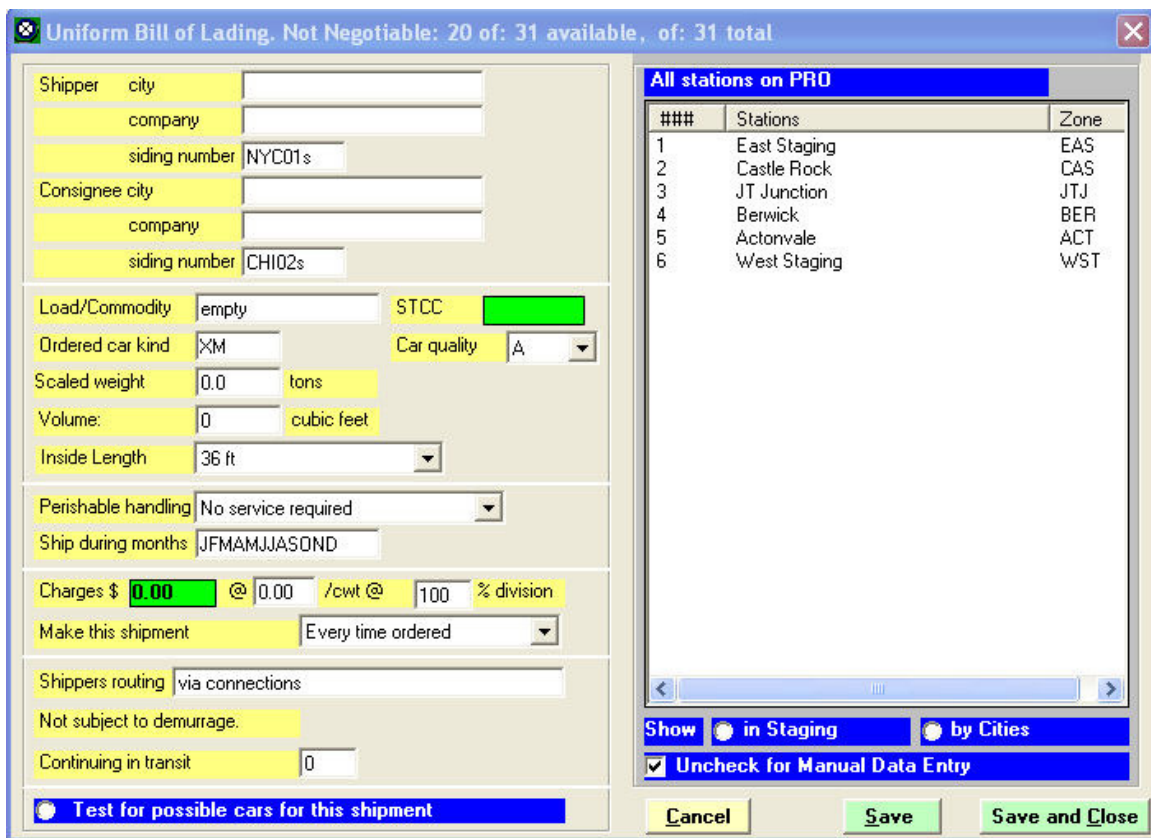


Figure D-1

Changing station: 1 of: 6

The named point

The zone code is

Subdivision

For main track from East end

Clearance meets AAR Plate

Zone speed limit is mph

Distance between clearance points inches

Average grade between stations %

Elevation (west end of interval) inches

At the station ...

Distance between clearance points is inches

The average grade on these tracks is %

Elevation (west end of station) inches

There is a second, steeper, main track

Tracks under DS control

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0	No online data
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Uncheck for Manual Data Entry

Cancel OK

Figure D-2

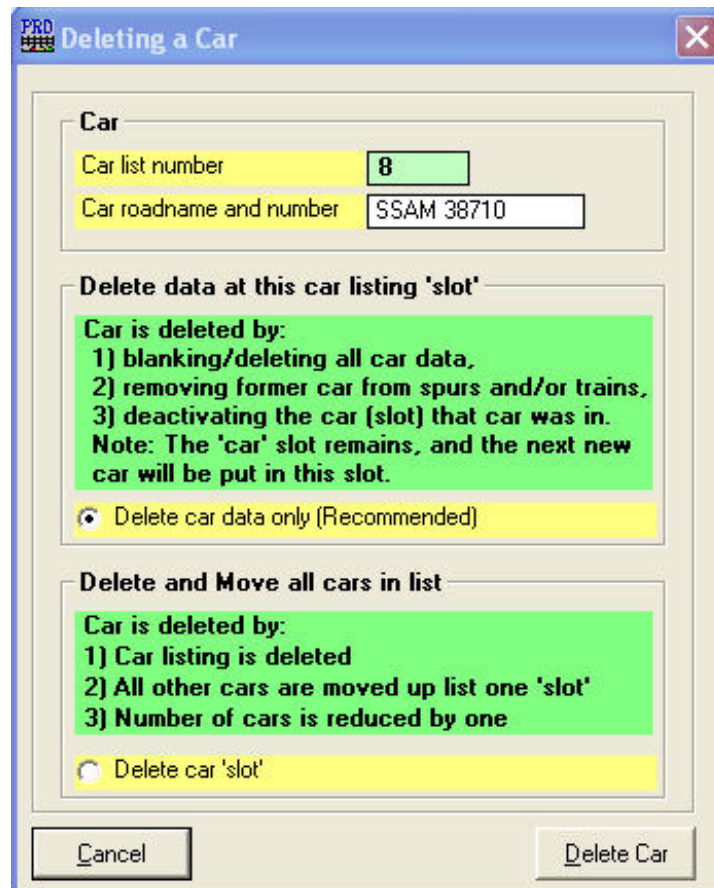


Figure D-3