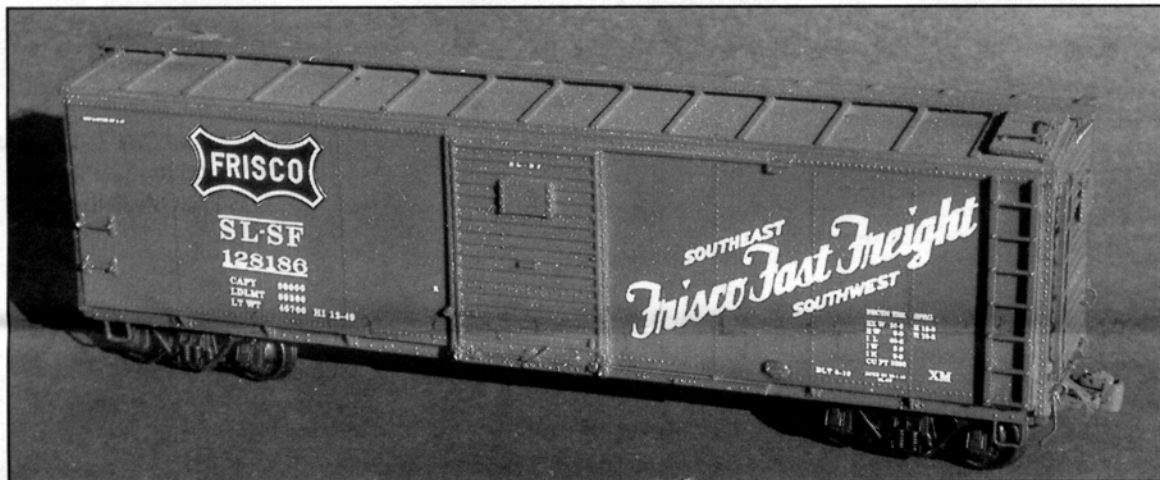




**SUNSHINE
MODELS**

Original Height Steel Rebuilds SL-SF, ACL, C&WC USRA Boxcars



In the mid-Thirties, the Frisco, Atlantic Coast Line and Charleston and Western Carolina (controlled by the ACL) began a multi-year program of rebuilding their USRA double sheathed boxcars into steel-sided cars of nearly identical appearance. The programs continued for a number of years resulting in modernized cars of approximately the same dimensions as the original cars, but without the impediment of the unreliable wood framing and tongue in groove siding of the old cars. By 1943, the rebuilding programs gave the SL-SF 2440 cars in the 127000-130499 series, the ACL 906 cars in the 46000-921 series and the C&WC 142 cars in the 80000-8299 series. With the demands of the war effort, these cars would prove invaluable. They lasted into the 1960s.

Theirs were the simplest of rebuildings. The wood sides were replaced by steel sides with four sections either side of the new Youngstown door. Union Duplex rollers were applied to all Frisco and over half of the ACL/C&WC cars. The original Murphy metal sheathed roof, 5/5/5 Murphy corrugated ends and the fishbelly underframe were retained. The Andrews trucks were also retained, along with a wood

running board. All cars used grab irons until the Frisco's 1941 program applied ladders.

All Frisco cars were painted boxcar red, a true red. The black and white "Frisco Lines" coonskin herald was applied. In 1940, the Frisco repainted an unknown number of cars in tan, brown and red to advertise its fast freight service. Cars with this paint lasted into the late 1940s, perhaps into the early 1950s. In 1947, the Frisco began applying a large script billboard advertisement on the right side that read "Frisco Fast Freight, Southeast, Southwest" on an angle and increased the herald size by 50%, dropping the word "Lines".

Both the ACL and C&WC cars were boxcar red. The ACL cars received the circular herald. The ACL used Roman lettering until a new standard of Gothic arrived in 1947. The C&WC lettering remained Roman, but no herald was applied.

The Sunshine kits are vacuum cast in gray urethane. Kits include all detailing parts (except trucks and couplers) and proprietary decals. Full instructions and a Prototype Data Sheet are included. Trucks, assorted chalkmarks and reweigh decals are available separately.

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