

**The Hudson Delaware & Ohio
Equipment Color Scheme Standards**

General Guidelines	Rolling Stock	Revised March 1999
Colors: Company Colors – Blue C&O Enchantment Blue		Floquil, Poly Scale, Model Flex, Accu Flex same as above
	Gray SP Lettering Gray	
Passenger: Company Colors, Blue & Gray		
General Merchandise: Boxcar – Boxcar Red		Scalecoat II, Floquil, Water base Acrylics: Ploy scale Model Flex or Accu Flex
Safety Equipment:	Yellow (DULUX) your choice, but try to match decal color. Railbox yellow is a good choice, Other colors that come close: Floquil EL Yellow, Accu/Model Flex Soo Line Yellow, Scalecoat I CP Yellow, Scalecoat II Reading Yellow.	
Caboose:	Caboose Red Suggested Color Scalecoat II Bright Caboose Red, or Floquil Caboose Red. Black: Grimey Black: Floquil, Poly Scale, Accu/Model Flex, Scalecoat II Loco Grime White: Any manufacturer	

Painting Recommendations: follow manufacturer instructions

APPLICATION:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>COLOR/DESIGN</u>	<u>LETTERING</u>
Passenger-Steam Era	Blue only, Dulux stripe Stripe low on car body	Dulux
Commuter	Blue w/ Gray center band No striping	Dulux
Long Distance (smooth side)	Blue W/ Gray center band Dulux striping	Dulux
(corrugated)	Stainless w/ Blue letter board	Dulux
Caboose –All Type	Red ends and sides Black roofs, White grab Irons and safety railings	White

FREIGHT:

Express Box	Same as long dst. Passenger (blue door)	Dulux
Express Reefer	Same as long dst. Passenger (band painted through door)	Dulux
Ice Reefer	Gray sides, Blue roofs and ends	Black

Mechanical Reefer	Gray sides/Blue roofs and ends	Black
Flat	Black	White
Bulkhead Flat	Boxcar Red	White
Tank	Black	White
Stock	Boxcar Red	White
Hoppers: Coal	Black	White

Covered:

Cement, Plastics, And or Chemical	Gray	Black
Foodstuffs	Boxcar Red	White
Gondola	Black	White
"DF" Boxcar	Boxcar Red, with Black Door must be a comb. Plug/Sliding door 50' w/ cushion underframe	White

LOCOMOTIVES:

STEAM:	Over all Black w/ Graphite smoke box and fire box lagging, Dulux stripe on running board head light number board bell and pop valves brass Freight Locomotives no dulux Stripe	Dulux Silver or Aluminum
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DIESEL:
FREIGHT

Early paint on all diesels is a 2 tone Blue and Gray (see color specs. For actual colors) with Gray on the bottom half of the loco and a dulux stripe separating the two colors. Actual location of stripe lettering, and other details, refer to data sheet for the particular Locomotive you are painting.

The HD&O carried this scheme for its freight units till 1967. Starting 1968, the HD&O began a repainting program of its older units and it's newer delivered locomotives painted in a two tone Blue and Gray, but the application was a less expensive BILLBOARD design. These units carry a Blue roof and underframe, cab, top of short hood (reflection), and walkways. At this time a large HD&O **Three Rivers Route** was placed across the sides, while maintaining the dulux striping between the color lines. Pilot stripes were carried over from 1st generation diesels. All safety equipment was painted dulux, and remaining handrails were painted gray above the frame line.

PASSENGER	The HD&O had all passenger locomotives painted Blue with a
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Gray band running through the center of the loco (except through the cab which remained dark blue.) This band was striped on each side where it met the Blue with dulux stripes. This passenger scheme was carried through to the present.

For specifics of these locomotives, refer to **the MASTER MECHANIC**, or **HO DEPARTMENT HEAD**. They can provide you with the necessary information, for the locomotive you wish to paint, or suggest a club member that can help guide you through the process.

NOTE: With Black equipment you can use your own discretion to paint it Black, Grimey black Weathered Black, etc.