

LOCOMOTIVE CLASS FLAGS
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Santa Fe steam engines had a cast bracket on each side with a flag holder on one end and a marker lamp holder on the other. There were also brackets on the rear corners of tenders for marker lights and a place for flags if the locomotive was running light in reverse as frequently happened with helpers.

E and F locomotives had flag brackets over the cab windows.

Charlie Slater has a white classification flag that is 17-1/2" high and 19-1/2" long. It is made out of a heavy cloth and was attached to a 1" diameter wooden shaft 22" long. The last 4" of the flag tapers to a diameter of 3/4."

He also has a green flag. It has a 32" long stick 1" diameter and the bottom 4" tapers down to 5/8" dia. The green flag is 17" square and made out of heavy cloth with the edge folded over and stitched. The flag is nailed to the stick with short tacks.

John Moore has a red flag on a 21" flag stick, 7/8" in diameter, bottom of the stick is tapered down to about 5/8" done with knife. The 18" square flag is nailed to the stick with 3 "looks like carpet tacks."