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## Preface

This manual tells and shows how to prepare and rig the following configurations of the Forward Area Refueling Equipment (FARE) Systems, the 4-inch, 350-GPM Wheel-Mounted Pumping Assembly, and the Advanced Aviation Forward Area Refueling System (AAFARS) for low-velocity airdrop from a C-130, C-141, C-17, and C-5 aircraft.

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## Introduction

This manual shows and tells how to rig the forward area refueling equipment (FARE), to include the rigging of hazardous material--gasoline, JP4, and diesel fuel. The FARE is rigged with the following:

**Trailers.** M101, M101A1, 3/4-ton, two-wheel trailers for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Two Fuel Drums.** Two 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Seven Fuel Drums.** Seven 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Vehicle.** M998, 1 1/4-ton truck (HMMWV) for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

This manual shows and tells how to rig the 4-inch, 350 GPM wheel-mounted pumping assembly, to include the rigging of hazardous material-- gasoline, JP4, and diesel fuel. The 4-inch, 350-GPM wheel-mounted pumping assembly is rigged with the following:

**Pumps and Separators.** Two 4-inch, 350-GPM wheel-mounted pumping assemblies and two separators are rigged for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Three Fuel Drums.** Three 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Four Fuel Drums.** Four 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Five Fuel Drums.** Five 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Six Fuel Drums.** Six 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

This manual shows and tells how to rig the Advanced Aviation Forward Area Refueling System (AAFARS), to include the rigging of hazardous material-- gasoline, JP4, and diesel fuel. The AAFARS is rigged with the following:

**Three Fuel Drums.** Three 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Four Fuel Drums.** Four 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Five Fuel Drums.** Five 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Six Fuel Drums.** Six 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

**Seven Fuel Drums.** Seven 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums for low-velocity airdrop from C-130, C-141, C-5, and C-17 aircraft.

The following conditions must be met when rigging these loads:

**CAUTION:**

There must be no more than 432 gallons of liquid in each drum when rigged for low-velocity airdrop. Do not pressurize drums with air.

**Hazardous Material.** When included as a part of these loads, fuel must be packaged, marked, and labeled as described in AFMAN(I) 24-204/TM 38-250.

**Weight.** Each drum of fuel **MUST** be weighed to learn its exact weight, as the drum has no gauge to measure the liquid content. For computing liquid weight per US gallon, 6 pounds are used for gasoline, 6.4 pounds for JP4 fuel, 6.7 pounds for JP8 fuel, and 6.68 pounds for diesel fuel. When empty, the drum weighs 250 pounds.

**CAUTION:**

Because the fuel drum is flexible, it will rebound upon ground impact and the lashings may be broken. This could free the drum and allow it to roll off the platform and create a possible hazard in the immediate area.

**Manuals.** A copy of this manual must be available to the joint airdrop inspectors during the before- and after-loading inspections.

**NOTICE of EXCEPTION:**

The procedures in this manual for installing the Suspension Sling Safety Ties may differ from those in FM 4-20.102/ NAVSEA SS400-AB-MMO-010/TO 13C7-1-5. An exception to FM 4-20.102/ NAVSEA SS400-AB-MMO-010/TO 13C7-1-5 is granted. The procedures in this manual **MUST** be followed.

## Chapter 1

# Rigging FARE For Low -Velocity Airdrop On Type V Platform

## SECTION I - RIGGING FARE WITH TWO 500-GALLON FUEL DRUMS

### DESCRIPTION OF LOAD

1-1. The Forward Area Refueling Equipment (FARE) is rigged on a 12-foot, type V platform with two G-11 cargo parachutes. There are two collapsible fuel drums as an accompanying load. When empty, each drum weighs 250 pounds. Each drum is filled with 432 gallons of liquid. Overall length is 162 inches. Width is 108 inches. Height is 70 inches. Center of balance is 72 inches

- Notes:**
1. For drums filled with a liquid other than gasoline, use Table 1-1 to recompute the weight.
  2. If the load varies from the one shown, the weight, height, CB, tipoff curve, and parachute requirements must be recomputed.
  3. Do not pressurize drums with air.

Table 1-1. Weight of Drum When Filled with Liquid

Fuel	Weight Per Gallon	Total Weight of Drum with 432 Gallons of Liquid
Gasoline	6 Pounds	2,842 Pounds
JP-4	6.4 Pounds	3,015 Pounds
JP-8	6.7 Pounds	3,145 Pounds
Diesel	6.68 Pounds	3,136 Pounds
Water	8.3 Pounds	3,835 Pounds

### PREPARING PLATFORM

1-2. Prepare a 12-foot type V airdrop platform using four tandem links and 40 tie-down clevises as shown in Figure 1-1.

- Notes:**
1. The nose bumper may or may not be installed.
  2. Measurements given in this section are from the front edge of the platform, NOT from the front edge of the nose bumper.

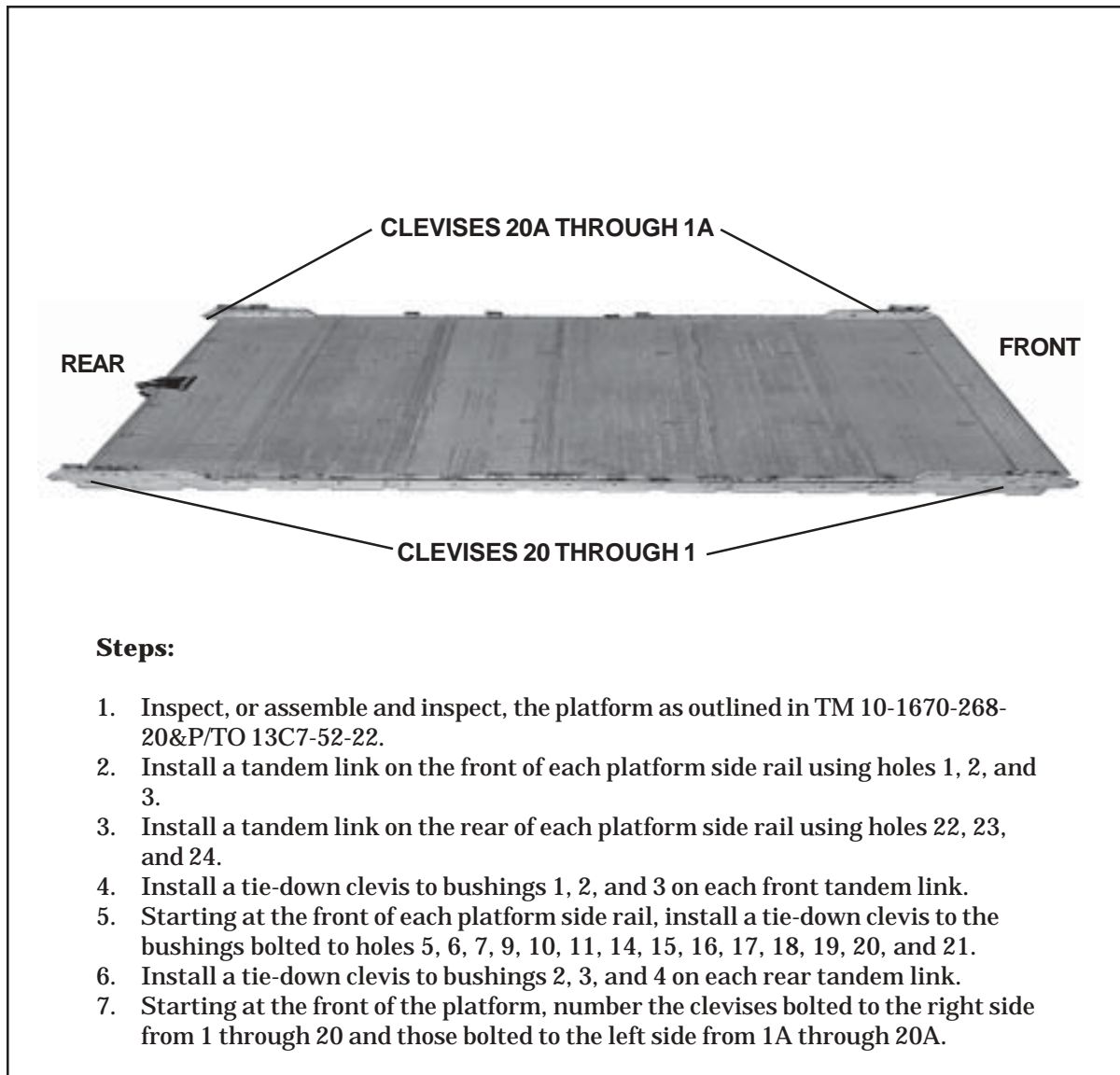


Figure 1-1. Platform Prepared

## PREPARING HONEYCOMB

1-3. Place eight 96- by 36-inch pieces of honeycomb on the platform as shown in Figure 1-2.

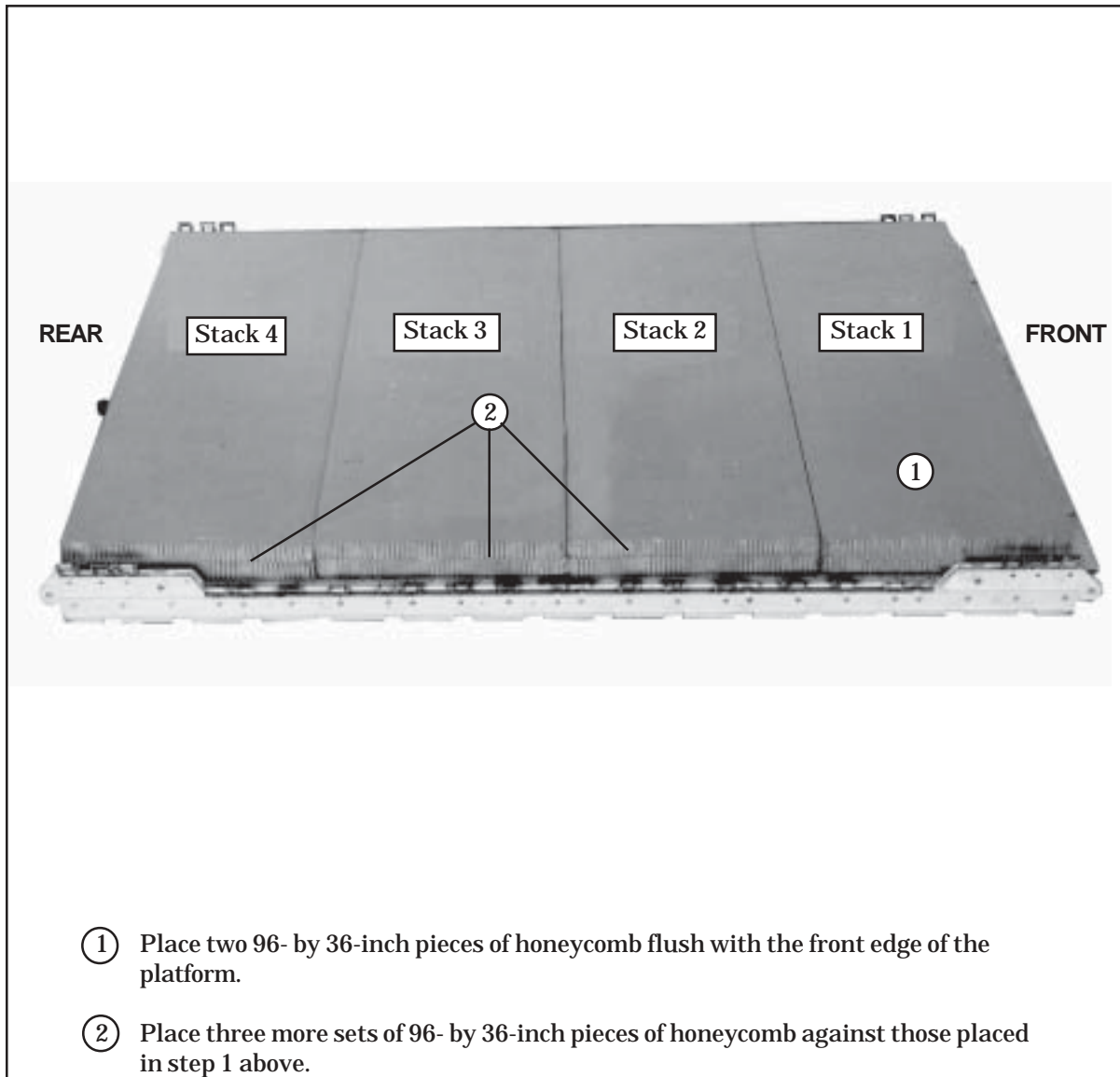


Figure 1-2. Honeycomb Placed on Platform

## BUILDING CONTAINER FOR FARE

1-4. Build the container to stow the FARE as described below and as shown in Figure 1-3.

a. **BUILDING TOP.** Build the top for the container as shown in Figure 1-3.

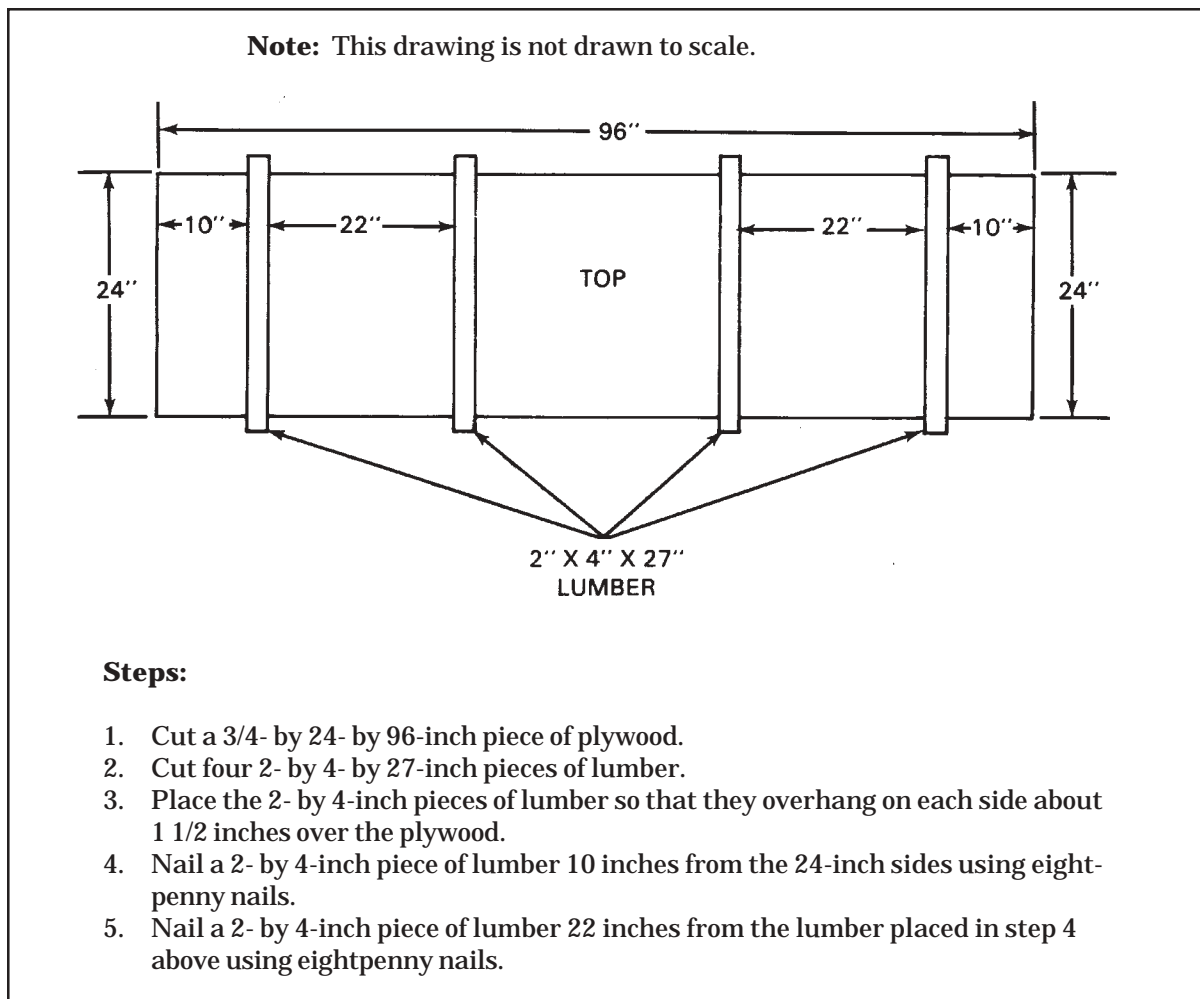


Figure 1-3. Top for FARE Container Built