

Federal Lighting Requirements for all Trailers

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IN CANADA: Manufacturers & importers of vehicles must have the proper certification test records demonstrating compliance of lighting components with all prescribed requirements.

BASIC EQUIPMENT REQUIRED ON ALL TRAILERS

DESCRIPTION				MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS			
Area	Equipment	SAE Lens Coding	Functional Purpose	Quantity	Color	Location	Height mm(in.) from the ground
1	Tail Lamps	(T)	Indicate vehicle's presence and width	Minimum 2	Red	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-1830 (15-72)
	Stop Lamps	(S)	Indicate braking	Minimum 2	Red	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-1830 (15-72)
	Rear Turn Signal Lamps	(I)	Indicate direction of turn	Minimum 2	Red or Yellow	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-2110 (15-83)
	Rear Reflex Reflectors	(A)	Indicate vehicle's presence and width	Minimum 2	Red	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable facing rearward	380-1530 (15-60)
2	License Plate Lamp(s)	(L)	Illuminates license plate	Minimum 1	White	On the rear - above or at the sides of license plate	No requirement
3	Rear Side Marker Lamps *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)	Front and rear side marker lamps / side reflex reflectors indicate vehicle's presence and length	Minimum 2	Red	Each side at rear as far back as practicable	380-1530 (15-60) no max. for veh. under 2032mm (80") wide
	Rear Side Reflex Reflectors	(A)		Minimum 2	Red	Each side at rear as far back as practicable facing sideward	380-1530 (15-60)
4	a Front Side Marker Lamps *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)		Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side at front as far forward as practicable	380 (15) minimum
	b Front Side Reflex Reflectors	(A)		Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side at front as far forward as practicable facing sideward	380-1530 (15-60)

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR TRAILERS EXCEEDING THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS

Length 9.1m (30 ft.) or longer

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Area	Equipment	SAE Lens Coding	Functional Purpose	Quantity	Color	Location	Height mm(in.) from the ground
5	a Intermediate Side Marker Lamps	(P2 or P3)	Indicate presence of a long vehicle	Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side near center facing sideward	380 (15) minimum
	b Intermediate Side Reflex Reflectors	(A)	Indicate presence of a long vehicle	Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side near center facing sideward	380-1530 (15-60)

Width 2032mm (80 in.) or wider

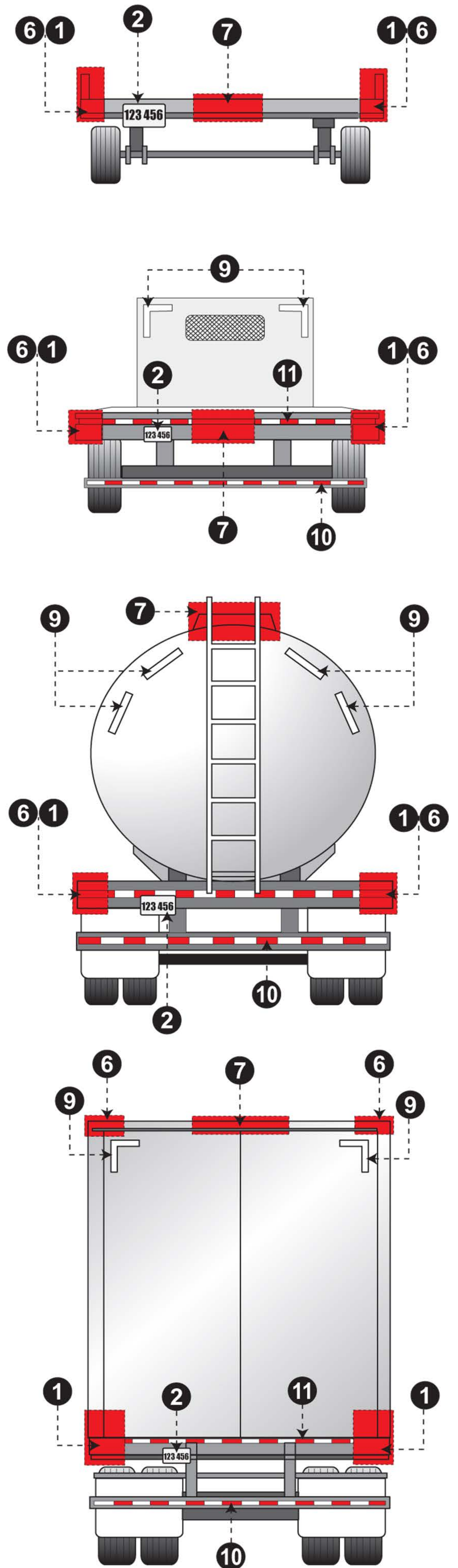
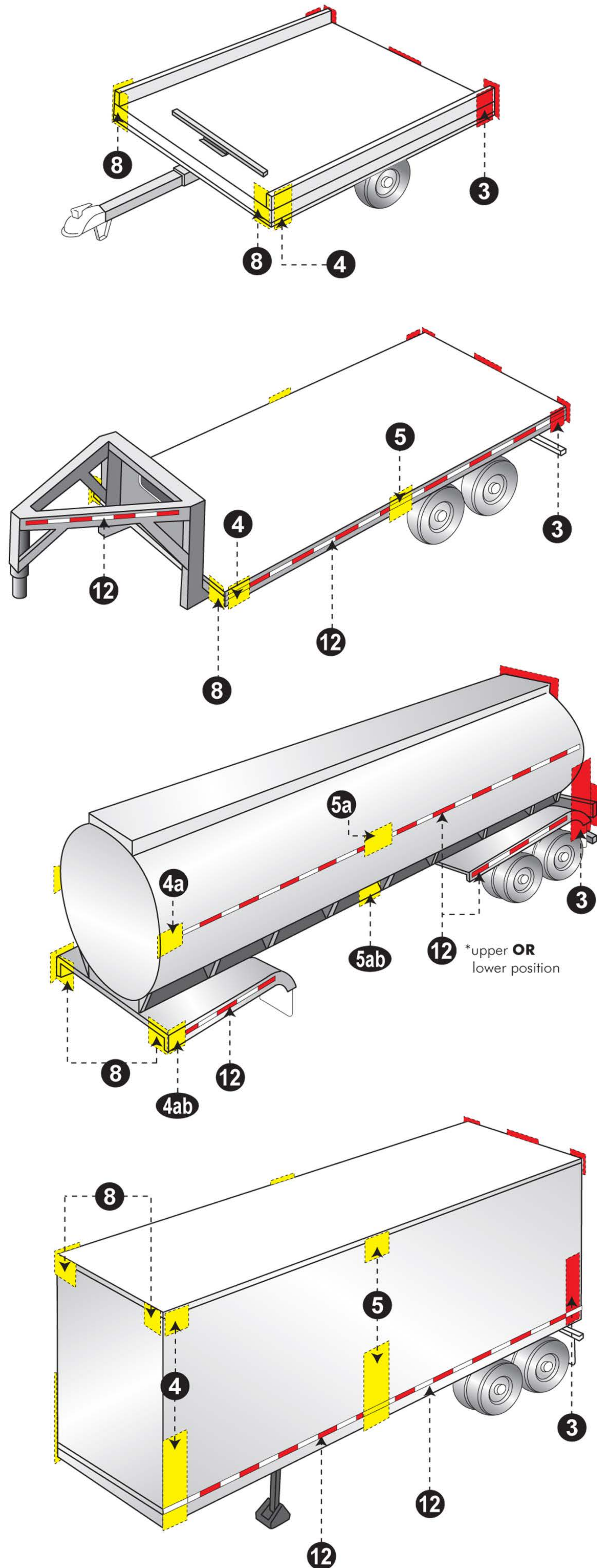
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6	Rear Clearance Lamps *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)	Show vehicle's width MAY NOT be combined with tail lamps	Minimum 2	Red	At widest point - symmetrical on the rear or near the rear facing rearward	As high as practicable may be lower only if ID lamps are at the top
7	Rear Identification (ID) Lamps	(P2 or P3)	Indicate presence of a wide vehicle	Exactly 3	Red	On the rear - center horizontally spaced 150mm (6 in.) to 300mm (12 in.) apart facing rearward	At the top - may be lower if door header narrower than 25mm
8	Front Clearance Lamps *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)	Show vehicle's width	Minimum 2	Yellow	At widest point - symmetrical on the front or near the front facing forward	As high as practicable

Width 2032mm (80 in.) or wider AND GVWR 4536 kg (10,000 lb.) or more

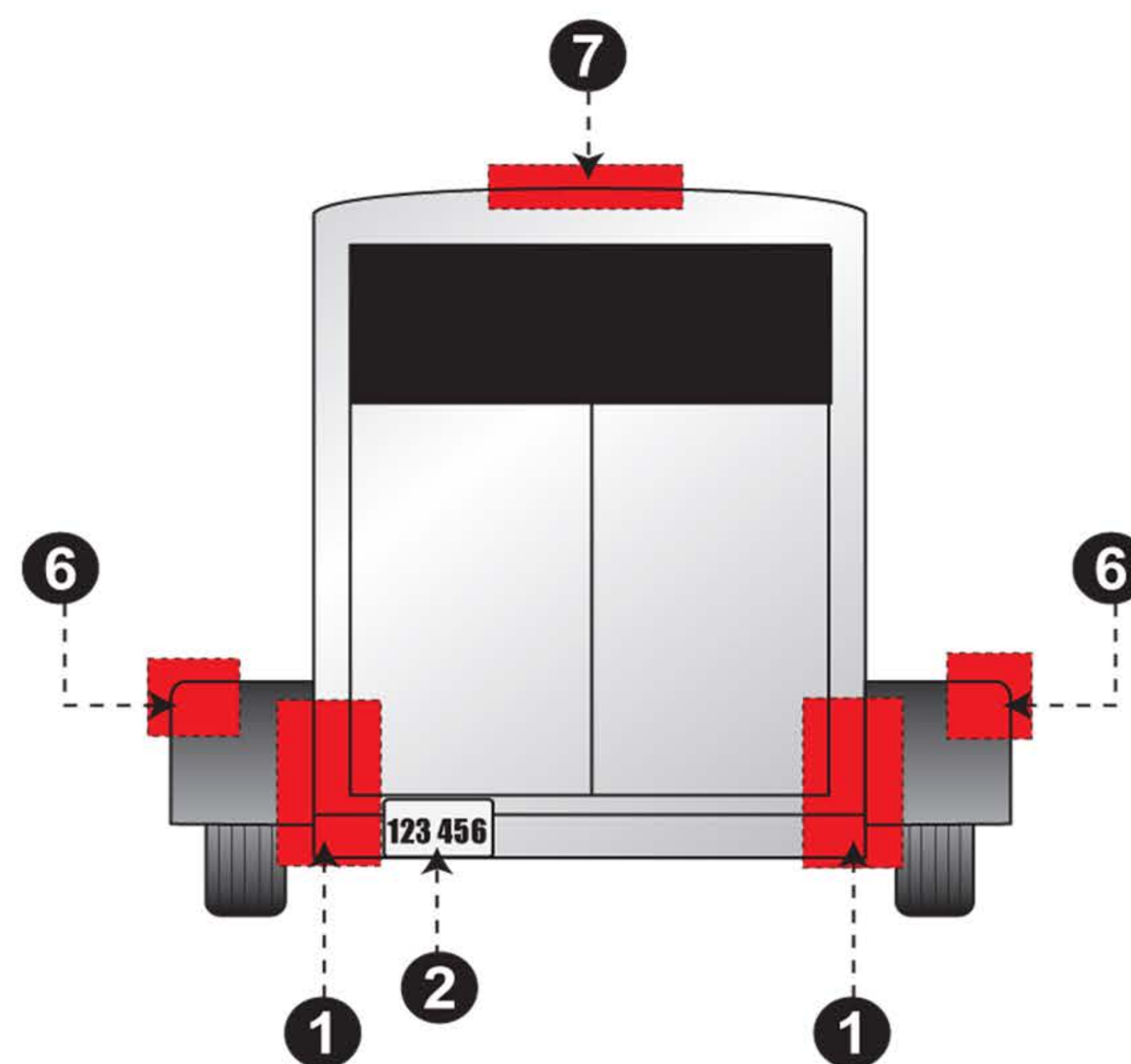
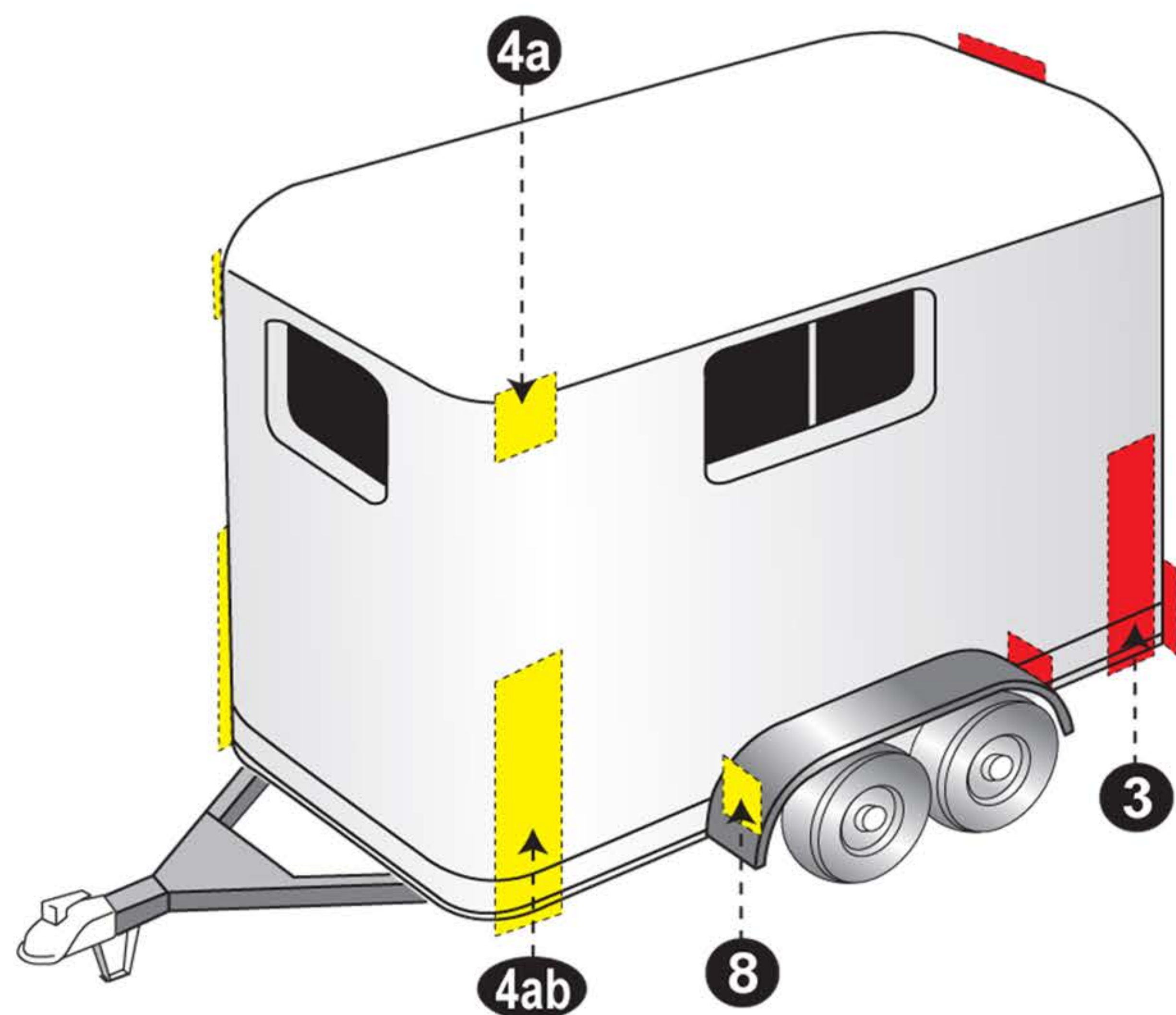
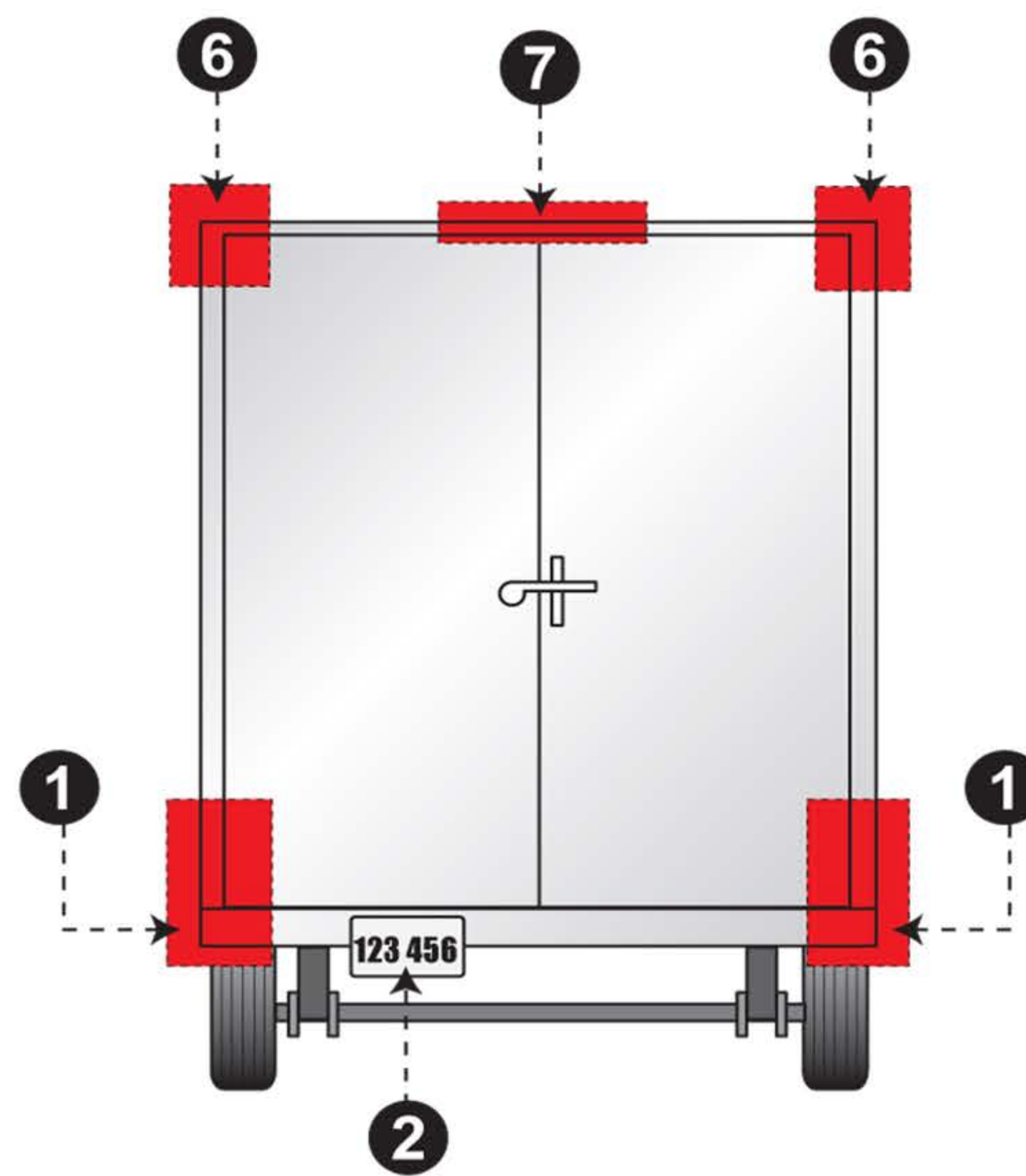
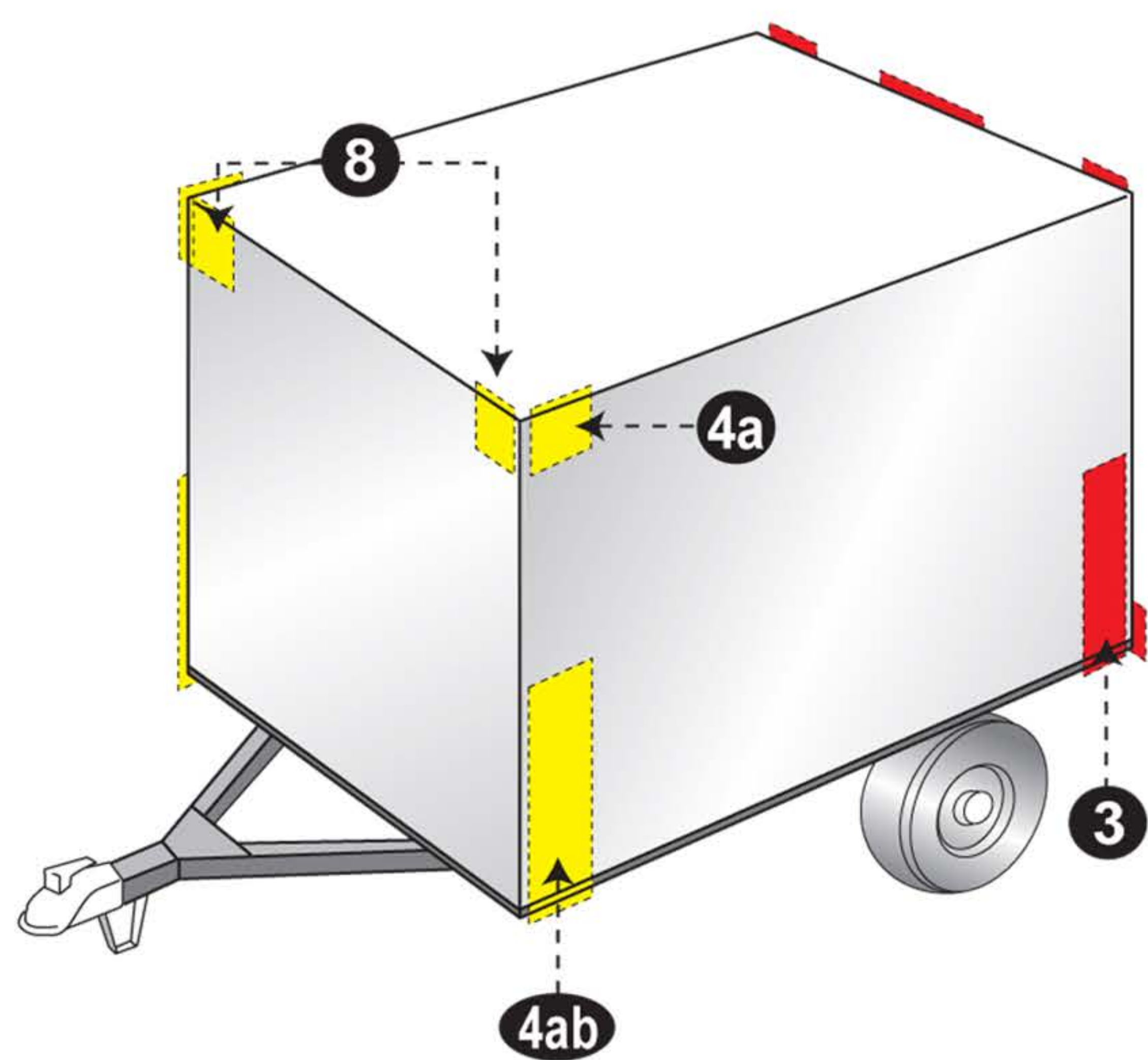
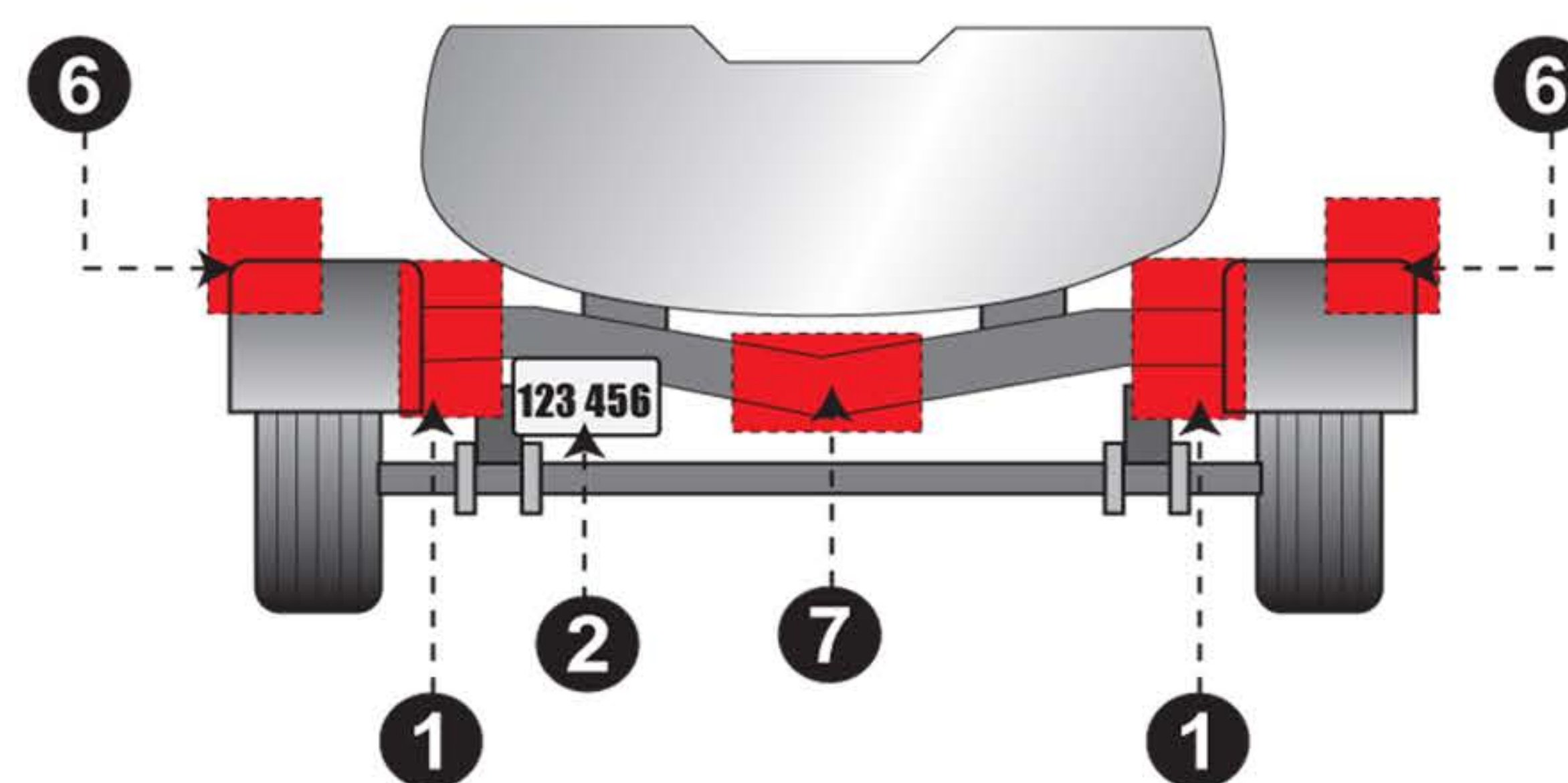
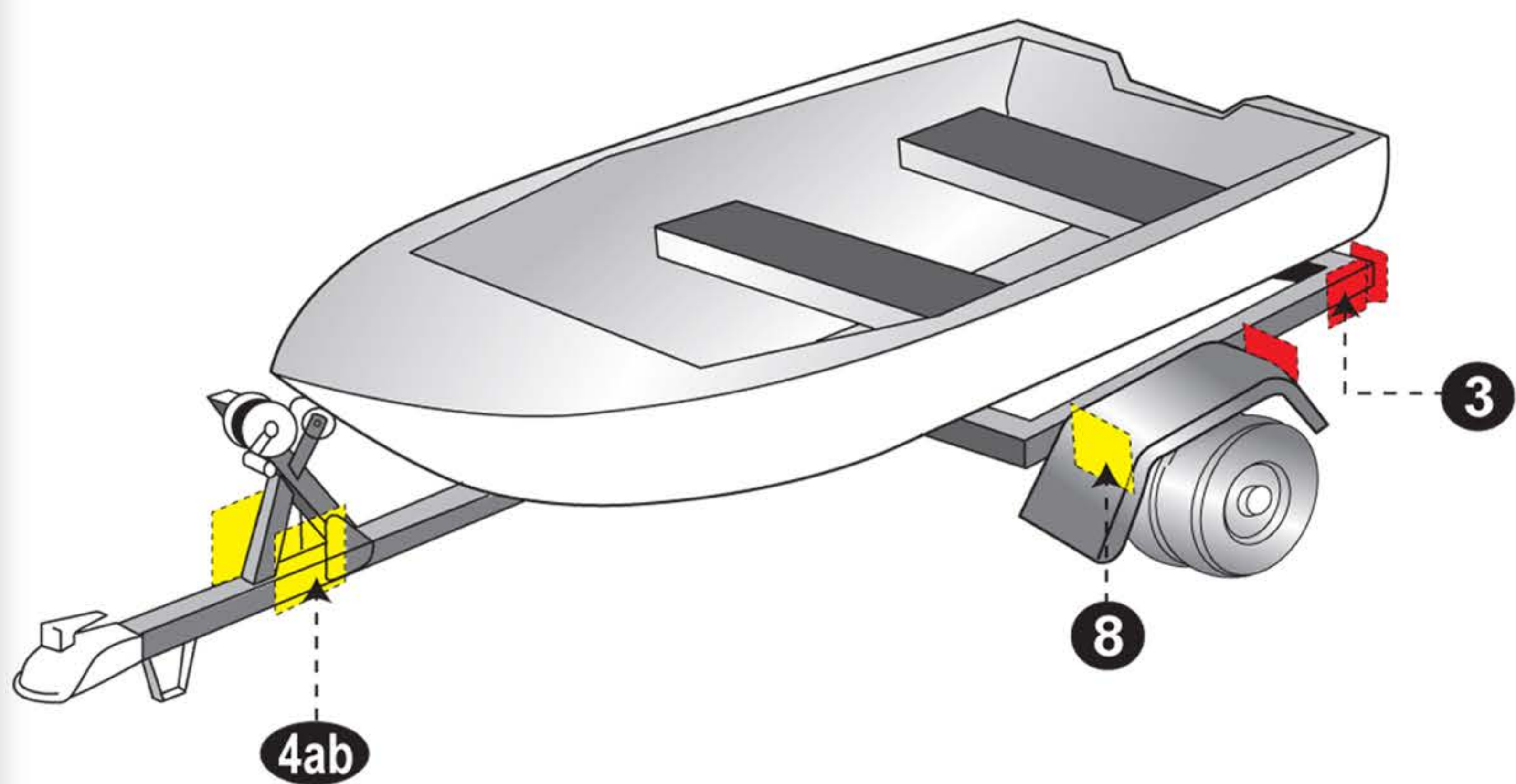
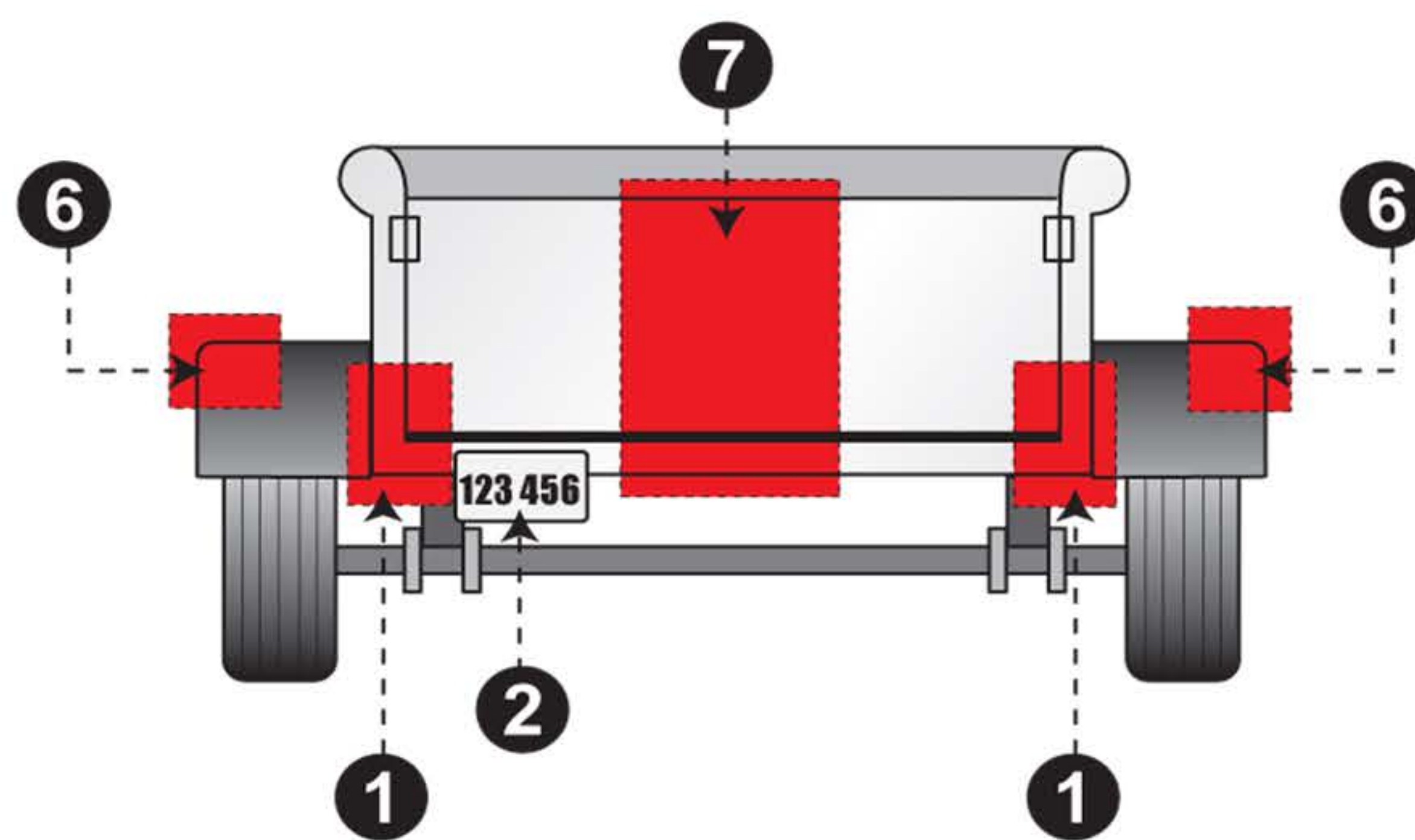
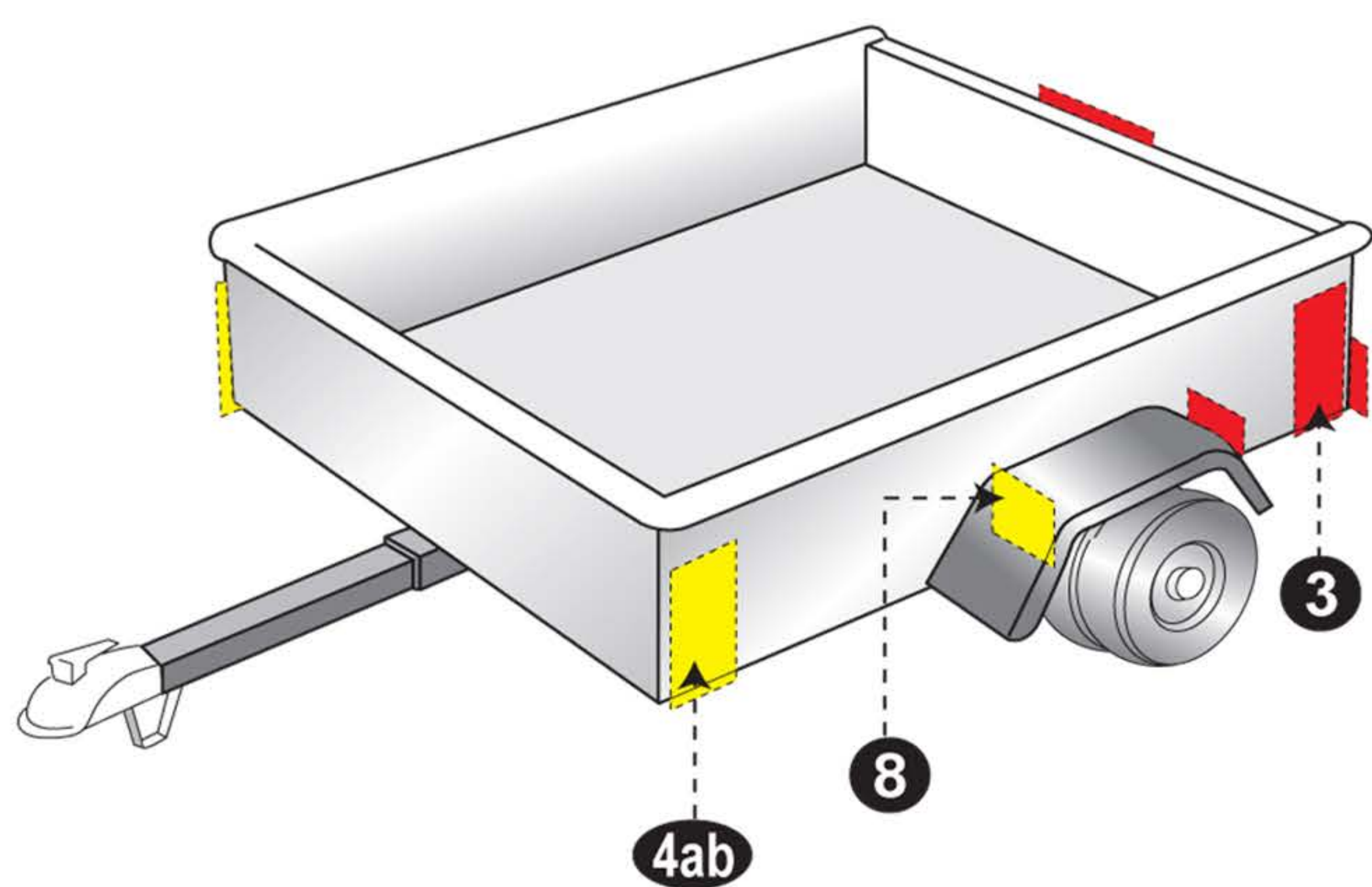
DESCRIPTION		MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS					
Area	Conspicuity Treatment	DOT Coding	Quantity	Color	Location	Height	Options
9	Rear Upper Body Markings	DOT-C DOT-C2 DOT-C3 DOT-C4	Exactly 2 pairs of 300mm long strips	White	On the rear upper corners facing rearward	At the top	Reflex reflectors may not be required if they are replaced in their required location with conspicuity treatment. Optional in Canada: Rear lower body and side conspicuity treatment may also be solid white, solid yellow, or white and yellow.
10	Bumper Bar Marking		Continuous	Red/White	On the rear bumper bar's horizontal element full width - facing rearward	No requirement	
11	Rear Lower Body Marking		Continuous	Red/White (see options)	On the rear full width of the vehicle facing rearward	As horizontal as practicable and as close as practicable to the range of 375 to 1525mm from the ground	
12	Side Marking		(see location)	Red/White (see options)	Each side - facing sideward continuous, or evenly spaced over minimum of 50% of length starts and ends as close to the front and rear of the vehicle as practicable	As horizontal as practicable and as close as practicable to the range of 375 to 1525mm from the ground	

NOTE: The edge of red conspicuity tape shall not be closer than 75 mm to the edge of any amber lamp and the edge of white conspicuity tape shall not be closer than 75 mm to the edge of any lamp

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Federal Lighting Requirements for all Trucks, Buses, and MVP’s

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BASIC EQUIPMENT REQUIRED ON ALL TRUCKS, BUSES & MPVs

DESCRIPTION				MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS			
Area	Equipment	SAE Lens Coding	Functional Purpose	Quantity	Color	Location	Height mm(in.) from the ground
1	Headlamps - Lower Beam US requires "DOT" lettering on lens US&Canada - light source code required on lens	(H, HR)	Forward road illumination	Minimum 2	White	On the front - symmetrical as far apart as practicable If 4 lamp system - outboard or above upper beams	560-1370 (22-54)
	Headlamps - Upper Beam US requires "DOT" lettering on lens US&Canada - light source code required on lens	(H, HR)	Forward road illumination	Minimum 2	White	On the front - symmetrical If 4 lamp system - inboard or below lower beams	560-1370 (22-54)
	Parking Lamps Vehicles less than 2032mm wide	(P)	Indicate parked vehicle	Minimum 2	White or Yellow	On the front - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-1830 (15-72)
	Daytime Running Lamps (DRL) Canada - required / US - option US requires "DRL" lettering on lens if not headlamp	(Y2)	Indicate in use vehicle	Minimum 2	White or Yellow	On the front - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380 (15) min. Max. depends on type of DRL
	Front Turn Signal/ Hazard Warning Lamps	(I)	Indicate direction of turn/ identify disabled vehicle	Minimum 2	Yellow	On the front- symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-2110 (15-83)
2	Front Clearance Lamps Vehicles 2032mm wide or wider *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)	Show vehicle's width	Minimum 2	Yellow	At widest point - symmetrical on the front or near the front facing forward	As high as practicable
3	Front Identification Lamps (ID) Vehicles 2032mm wide or wider	(P2 or P3)	Indicate presence of a wide vehicle	Exactly 3	Yellow	On the front - center horizontally spaced 150 mm (6 in.) to 300 mm (12 in.) apart	As high as practicable or on top of the cab
4	a Front Side Marker Lamps *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* P3, PC2*)	Front and rear side marker lamps / side reflex reflector indicate vehicle's presence and length	Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side at front as far forward as practicable	380 (15) minimum
	b Front Side Reflex Reflectors	(A)		Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side at front as far forward as practicable facing sideward	380-1530 (15-60)
5	a Rear Side Marker Lamps ** *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)		Minimum 2	Red	Each side at rear as far back as practicable	380 (15) minimum
	b Rear Side Reflex Reflectors ** **not required on Truck Tractors	(A)		Minimum 2	Red	Each side at rear as far back as practicable facing sideward	380-1530 (15-60)
6	Rear Clearance Lamps Vehicles 2032mm wide or wider Not required on Truck Tractors *photometrically certified at installation angle	(P2, PC* or P3, PC2*)	Show vehicle's width MAY NOT be combined with tail lamps	Minimum 2	Red	At widest point - symmetrical on the rear or near the rear facing rearward	As high as practicable may be lower only if rear ID lamps are at the top
7	Rear Identification (ID) Lamps Vehicles 2032mm wide or wider Not required on Truck Tractors	(P2 or P3)	Indicate presence of a wide vehicle	Exactly 3	Red	On the rear - center horizontally spaced 150mm (6 in.) to 300mm (12 in.) apart facing rearward	At the top may be lower if door header narrower than 25mm
8	Tail Lamps	(T)	Indicate vehicle's presence and width	Minimum 2	Red	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-1830 (15-72)
	Stop Lamps	(S)	Indicate braking	Minimum 2	Red	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-1830 (15-72)
	Rear Turn Signal/ Hazard Warning Lamps	(I)	Indicate direction of turn/ identify disabled vehicle	Minimum 2	Red or yellow	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-2110 (15-83)
	Rear Reflex Reflectors	(A)	Show vehicle's presence and width	Minimum 2	Red	On the rear - symmetrical as far apart as practicable	380-1530 (15-60)
9	Backup Lamp	(R)	Illuminates ground behind the vehicle and alert road users	Minimum 1	White	Rear	No requirement
10	License Plate Lamp(s)	(L)	Illuminates license plate	Minimum 1	White	On the rear - above or at the sides of license plate	No requirement
11	Center High Mounted Stop Lamp Vehicles less than 2032mm wide and 4536kg	(U3)	Indicates braking	1	Red	On the rear - centerline of the vehicle	860 (34) minimum

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR SPECIFIC VEHICLES VEHICLES 9.1m (30 ft.) LONG OR LONGER

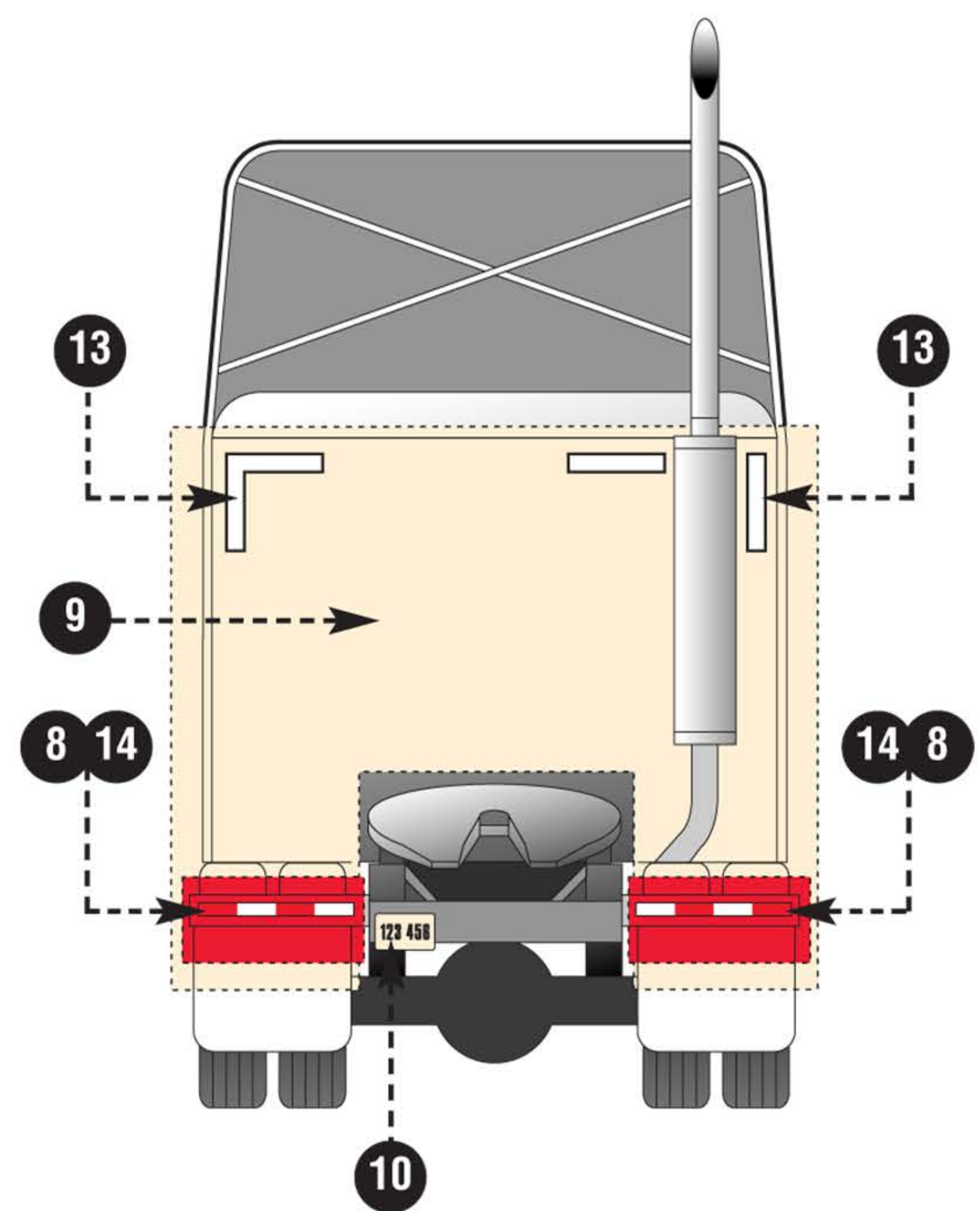
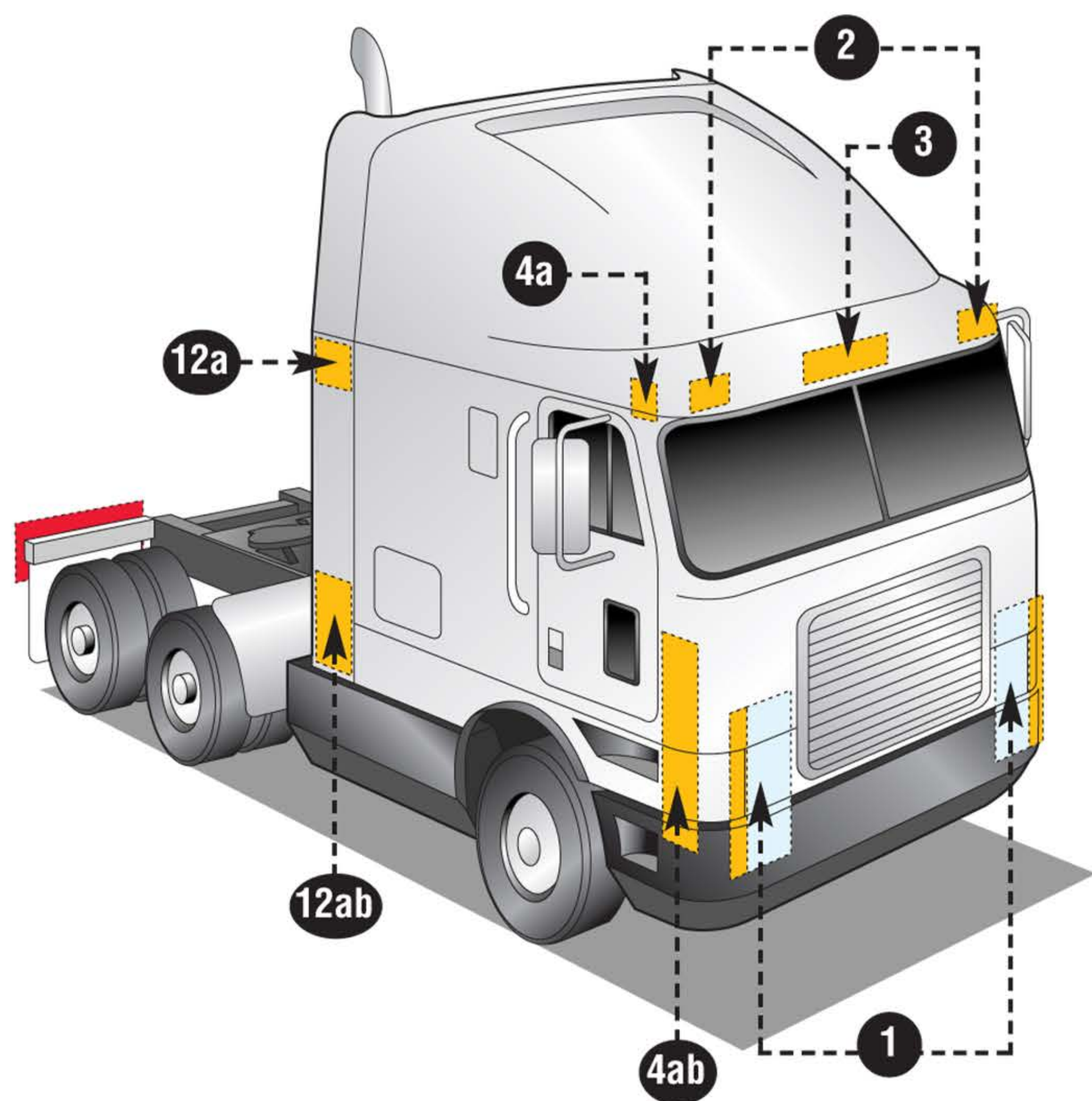
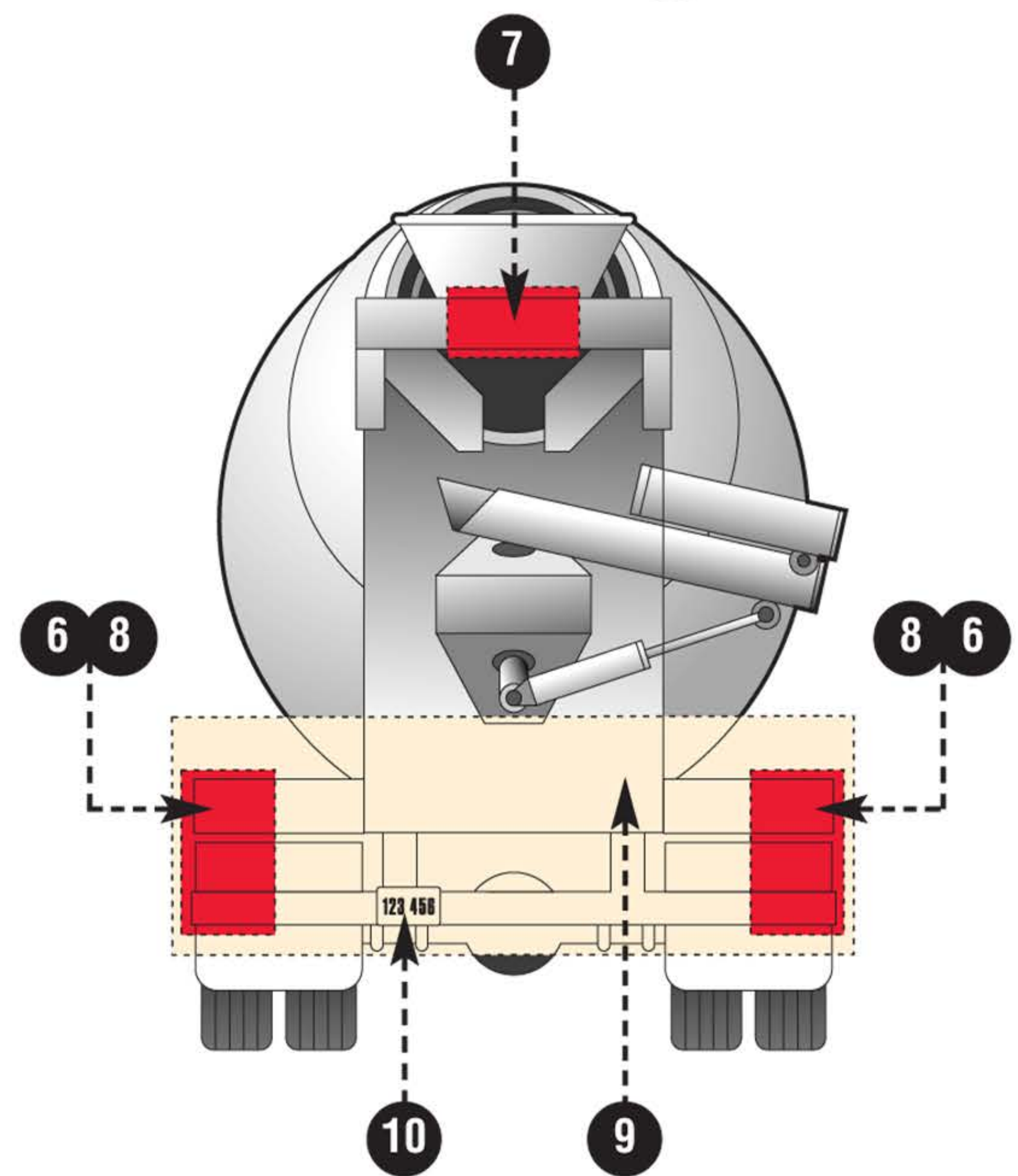
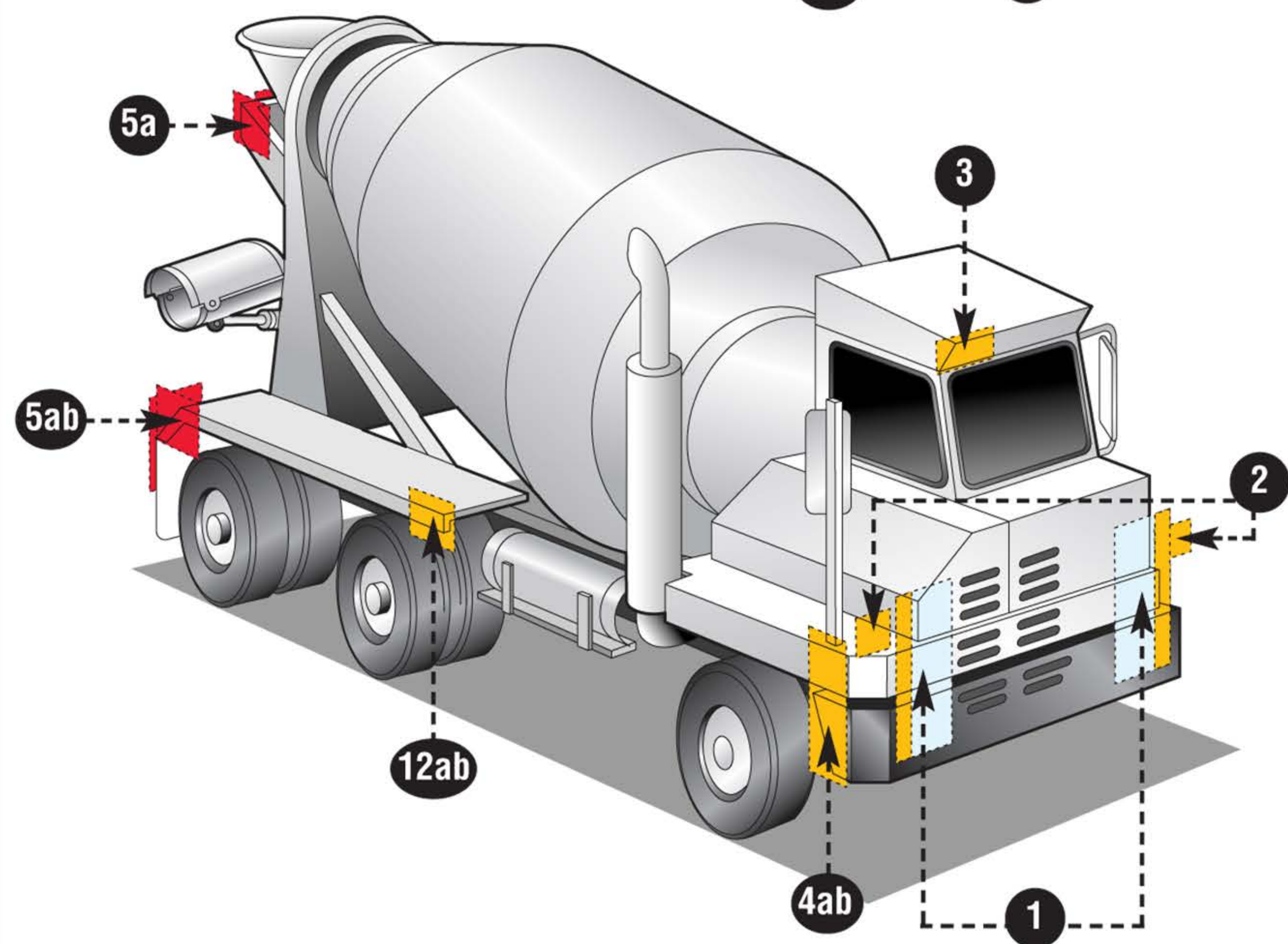
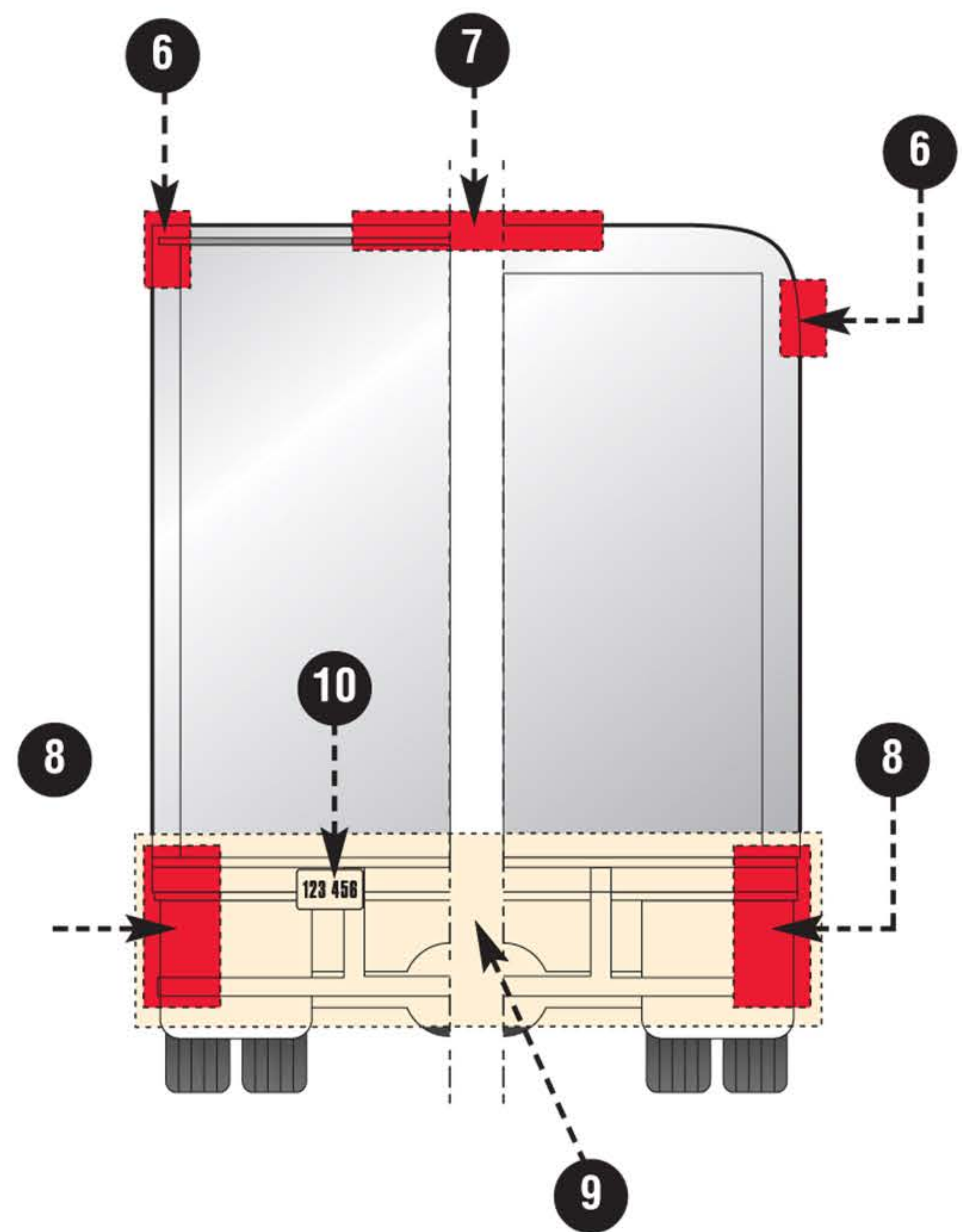
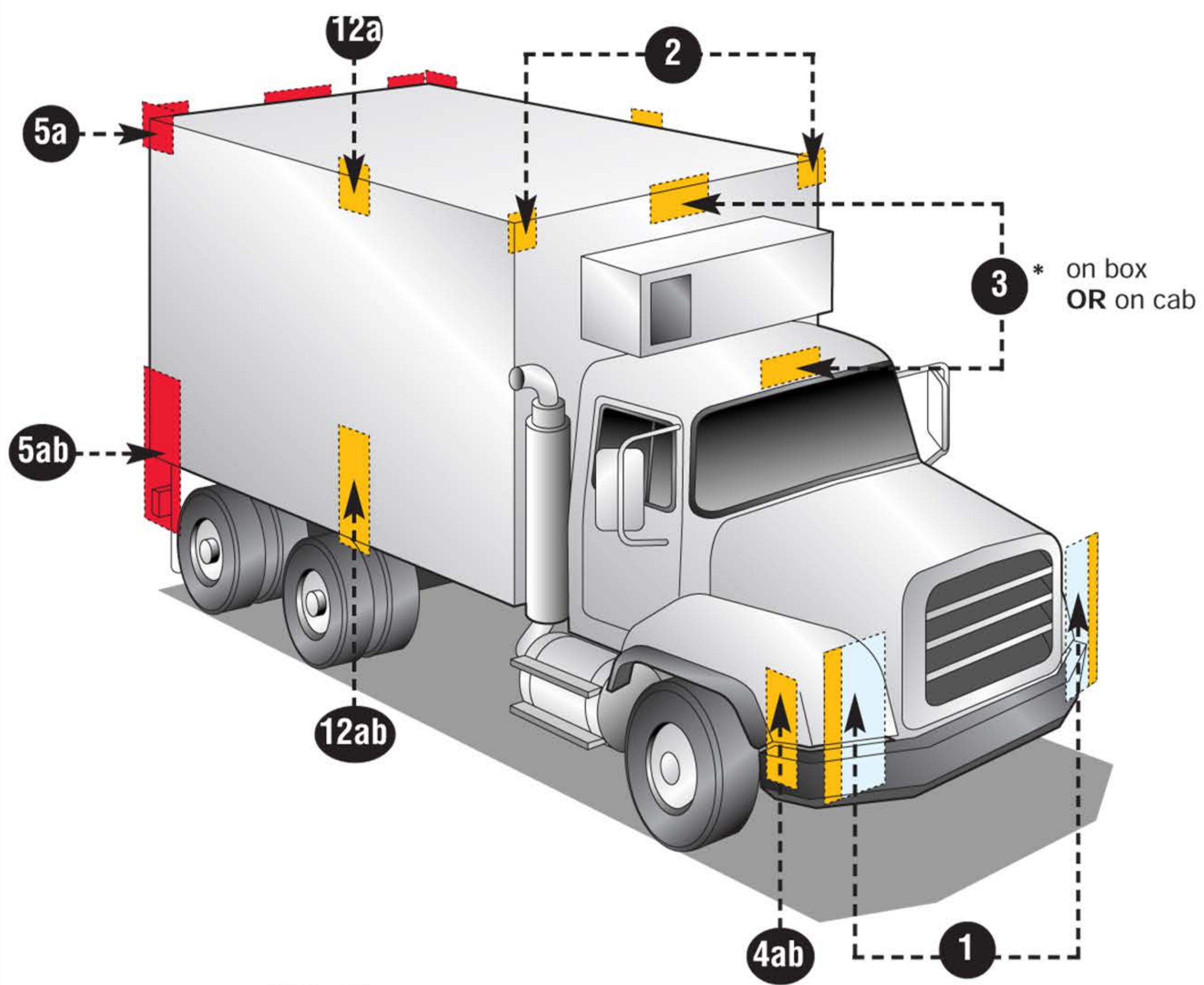
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Area	Equipment	SAE Lens Coding	Functional Purpose	Quantity	Color	Location	Height mm(in.) from the ground
12	a Intermediate Side Marker Lamps	(P2 or P3)	Indicate presence of a long vehicle	Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side near center	380 (15) minimum
	b Intermediate Side Reflex Reflectors	(A)	Indicate presence of a long vehicle	Minimum 2	Yellow	Each side near center facing sideward	380-1530 (15-60)

Truck Tractors

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Area	Conspicuity Treatment	DOT Coding	Quantity	Color	Location	Height	Options
13	Rear Upper Body Markings	DOT-C DOT-C2 DOT-C3 DOT-C4	Exactly 2 pairs of 300mm long strips	White	Rear upper corners of cab facing rearward	As high as practicable excluding fairings	
14	Rear Marking		Exactly 2 sections of min. 600mm each	Red/ White	Rear - facing rearward - on fenders, on mud flap brackets, or within 300mm below the top of mud flaps	As horizontal as practicable and not higher than 1525mm from the ground	If mud flaps not used - on the cab or frame mounted brackets

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