Shortline Guide to Assisting Prospective BNSF Customers

Below you will find step-by-step instructions on where to guide a potential BNSF customer to begin the "New to Rail or BNSF?" process based upon the commodity they would like to ship. In this example, a customer is interested in shipping "All Other Freight," which includes products such as chemicals, fuels and minerals.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact your BNSF shortline representative.

Step One: Navigating to "New to Rail or BNSF?"

First, select "Ship with BNSF" in the main menu, then click on "<u>New to Rail</u> or <u>BNSF?</u>" in the top left of the menu.



Step Two: Selecting a Commodity

New to Rail or BNSF?

BNSF strives to make your shipping experience as easy and seamless as possible. You can rely on us to help walk you through the step-by-step process of becoming a customer. Whether you're shipping one load or 1,000 loads, single cars or dedicated trains, we make doing business with BNSF simple.

Tell us a little about what you are shipping to learn more about the process of becoming a customer, what information you'll need and how to get started.

Choose a Commodity

Coal	
Containers or Trailers (Intermodal)	-
Ethanol, Fertilizer, Grains & Bulk Foods	•
Finished Vehicles	-
All Other Freight	

Next, scroll down to select the type of commodity they will be shipping. In this example, we have selected "All Other Freight".

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Step 3: Connecting with BNSF

After selecting the type of commodity they will be shipping, the drop-down menu to the right will appear, where the customer will click on "Connect with BNSF".

A "Connect with BNSF" form will appear (below). Depended upon the customer's needs, they can select "I want to speak to a BNSF representative," "I'm trying to get a rate quote for moving my freight," or "I have a different question".

*Please let the customer know that they should have all of their commodity, amount and origin and destination information ready before this step.



