

PARTS LIST

Radiator Shell, Bonnet, Windscreen Frame, Left and Right Sidepanels, Rear Panel, Front Mudguards, Tilt, Chassis, Body Floor, Wheels x 4, Headlights x 2, Front Bumper, Left and Right Running Boards, Petrol Tank, Front Axle Rear Axle, Driveshaft, Exhaust Pipe, Dashboard, Steering Column, Steering Wheel, Gearstick, Handbrake Lever, Drivers Seat, Clear Plastic.

THE COMMER Q2 15 cwt. TRUCK.

This vehicle was built for use by the R.A.F. during W.W.11, it was also supplied to the U.S.A.A.F. in England in some numbers under Reverse Lease Lend.

The 15 cwt. had a 6 cylinder, 60 (later 80) b.h.p. petrol engine. The cab was integral with the metal body and had a canvas roof and tilt. Tyres were 10.50-16, vehicle empty weight was 2 tons 8 cwt.

Used for carrying air and groundcrews, equipment and aircraft parts, also general cargo work. They were in service into the 1950s. It is not known if any have been preserved.

COLOUR SCHEMES

Several schemes appear to have been common. 1. Dark Earth overall, 2. Dark Earth with Black 'Mickey Mouse Ear' camouflage, sometimes same pattern applied in Green. 3. Dark Earth with Green or Black disruptive pattern similar to that used on R.A.F. Aircraft. R.A.F. Bomb Disposal Vehicles had the mudguards painted Bright Red and carried a Yellow nameboard with the letters B D S in Black, this standing for Bomb Disposal Service. U.S.A.A.F. vehicles retained their original paintwork and R.A.F. serial numbers with small White stars on the body sides and sometimes U.S.A.A.F. on the doors or bonnet edges. Many vehicles had White painted on the bumper, mudguards and body corners to make them more easily seen in the blackout.

4. Post war vehicles were painted in R.A.F. Blue/Grey overall, the tilt being several shades lighter.

Markings were usually applied in White, often by unskilled labour by hand usually by stencil or signwriter when available. R. A. F. roundel was 8" but was often not carried. Roundel usually applied to O/S front wing, serial number to N/S front wing and O/S body rear. RAF on doors was also White. One Dark Earth and Black 'Mickey Mouse Ear' camouflaged vehicle is known to have carried the serial RAF and did not carry a roundel.

38296

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Use Cyano Acrylate and or 5 Minute Epoxy Adhesives. Follow the Manufacturers advice for safe usage. For filling use car body type fillers. e.g. Holts Cataloy.

Fettle and clean parts. A DRY RUN OF ASSEMBLY OF MAIN PARTS IS RECOMMENDED BEFORE COMMITTING TO GLUE. Follow assembly sequence shown. Fit body floor to chassis, rear crossmember fits behind small raised pips on top rear of chassis. Fit sidepanels to edges of body floor, locating strips to underside of floor. Fit rear panel, ensure hinges are at bottom. Fit dashboard and radiator shell to bonnet. Fit front mudguards. Fit bonnet assembly and butt to doors, ensure front is central. Drill small holes in sides of radiator shell to take headlamps, refer to drawing for positions. Do not fit lights at this stage. Fit rear axle and driveshaft then fit exhaust, glue rear end of pipe to chassis where it crosses over to outside. End of pipe should be 1mm in front of rear mudguard. Fit petrol tank between vertical hangers on right side of chassis, the ridge at back of tank should be positioned level with the bottom line of the chassis. Fit running boards to chassis sides level with the bottom line of the chassis below the doors. refer to side view for position. Fit front axle and all wheels. Fit steering column then fit drivers seat onto box on right hand cab floor, line up seat to column. Fit gearstick to front hole of two in cab floor, handbrake to remaining hole small lever facing front. Fit steering wheel. Fit tilt to body then windscreen frame. Note: Screen can be made from clear plastic sheet and the frame painted on if this method is preferred. Make side window panels from clear plastic sheet provided using patterns on front of instruction sheet, paint in canvas areas and fit in place. Note: Bottom edge should overhang top edge of door Fit bumper to bottom edge of radiator shell then fit headlights. Make starting handle from wire and fit into hole in front of radiator.

In case of faulty parts. Return parts for replacement to, LEAD SLED MODELS, 42, Belgrave Road, Newton Abbot, Devon, England.