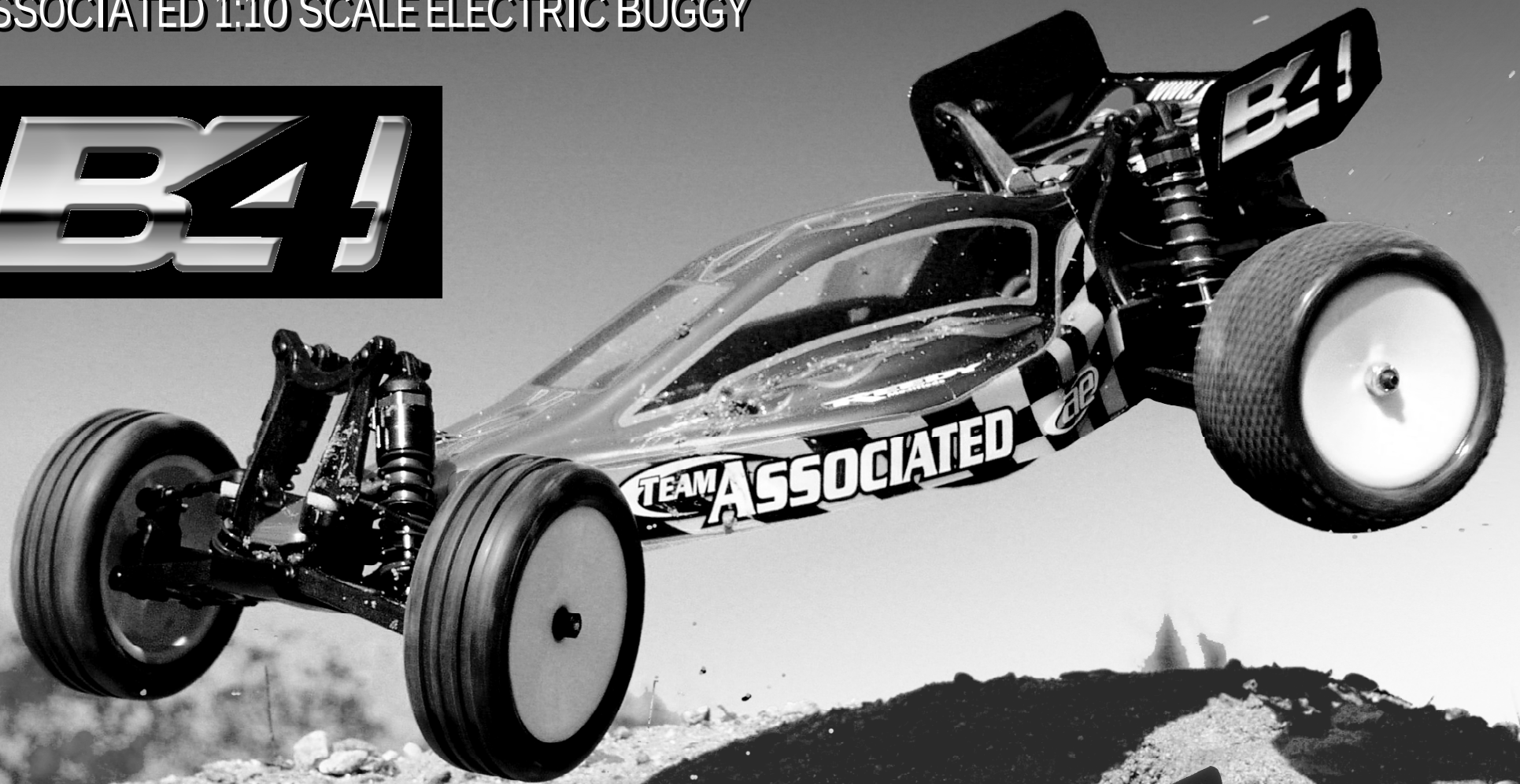


# ASSOCIATED 1:10 SCALE ELECTRIC BUGGY

# B4!



## INSTRUCTION MANUAL FOR THE TEAM ASSOCIATED RC10B4



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## B4 Features

- >> New Longer MIP CVD dog bones and axles in kit version.
- >> Lower motor mounting position.
- >> Kimbrough Spur Gear.
- >> Pro-Line M3 racing compound front and rear tires in kit version.
- >> Plenty of chassis room to hold most electronics.
- >> All-new molded composite low-CG chassis.
- >> Adjustable battery position.
- >> New design battery hold-down strap.
- >> Rugged steel turnbuckles.
- >> Fully adjustable caster, camber, and toe-in.
- >> Angled bellcrank "co-planar" steering.
- >> Built-in servo saver.
- >> Vertical ball end adjustment, front & rear.

## B4 Factory Team Kit #9035

Threaded shock bodies.  
CVD rear axles.  
Unpainted body.

**Also includes:**  
Bearing Assoc. Transmission.  
Pro-Line racing compound tires.  
Factory Team carbon.  
Factory Team blue aluminum.  
Factory Team titanium turnbuckles.  
Factory Team Unobtainium shock shafts.

## B4 Team Kit #9034

Hard anodized shock bodies.  
CVD rear axles.  
Unpainted body.

**Also includes:**  
Bearing Assoc. Transmission.  
Pro-Line racing compound tires.

## B4 RTR RS #9037

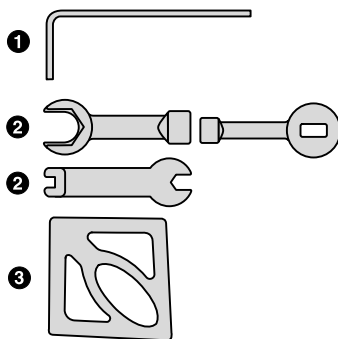
Blue aluminum shock bodies.  
Associated dogbone rear axles.  
Painted body.

**Also includes:**  
Associated Transmission.  
2-Channel radio.  
Electronic speed control.  
Receiver.  
Electric motor and pinion gear.  
Racing tires.  
Already assembled!

## TOOLS

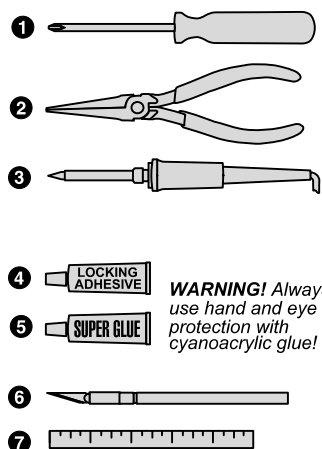
### KIT TOOLS SUPPLIED

- 1 Allen wrenches #6950 (.050", 1/16", 3/32", 5/64")
- 2 Molded tools #6956
- 3 Camber gauge #1719



### EXTRA STUFF NEEDED

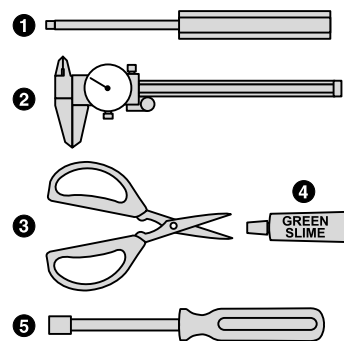
- 1 Phillips screwdriver
- 2 Needlenose pliers
- 3 Soldering iron (40-50 watts) and a small amount of Rosin core solder. Pencil-type soldering iron is better than the gun type.  
**DANGER! Tip will be HOT!**
- 4 Thread locking compound (#1596 Locking Adhesive or equivalent)
- 5 Super glue (cyanoacrylic glue or #1597 Tire Adhesive).
- 6 Hobby knife **WARNING! This knife cuts plastic and fingers with equal ease, so be careful.**
- 7 Precision ruler



**WARNING!** Always use hand and eye protection with cyanoacrylic glue!

### HELPFUL ITEMS (NOT REQUIRED)

- 1 Allen drivers (straight Allen wrenches with hex shaped handles) such as the following made by Associated:
  - #1542 .050" driver
  - #1543 1/16" driver
  - #1545 5/64" driver
  - #1546 3/32" driver
  - #1547 2.5mm driver
- 2 Vernier calipers
- 3 Body Scissors (#1737)
- 4 Green Slime shock lube (#1105)
- 5 Nut drivers (screwdriver-handled hex socket tools)
  - 3/16" nut driver
  - 1/4" nut driver
  - 11/32" nut driver



### WARNING!

Do not use a power screwdriver to install screws into nylon, plastic, or composite materials. The fast rotation speed can heat up the screws being installed. They can then break the molded parts or strip the threads during installation.

## EXTRA ITEMS NEEDED

|                                                                                   | 9035   | 9034 | 9037 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------|------|
| 1 R/C two channel surface frequency radio system.                                 | need   | need |      |
| 2 Battery pack (6 cell).                                                          | need   | need | need |
| 3 Battery charger (we recommend a peak detection charger).                        | need   | need | need |
| 4 Electronic speed control.                                                       | need   | need |      |
| 5 R/C electric motor.                                                             | need   | need |      |
| 6 Pinion gear, size to be determined by type and wind of motor you will be using. | needed | need |      |

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# BEFORE BUILDING

## OPEN THE BAGS IN ORDER

The assembly is arranged so that you will open and finish that bag before you go on to the next bag. **Sometimes you will have parts remaining at the end of a bag. These will become part of the next bag.**

## LEFT AND RIGHT

When we refer to left and right sides of the car, we are referring to the driver's point of view while sitting in the car.

## SUPPLEMENTAL SHEETS

Improvements to our kits, if any, will be noted in supplementary sheets located in a parts bag or inside the kit box. Check the kit box before you start and each bag as it is opened. When a supplement is found, attach it to the appropriate section of the manual.

◀1:1▶ = Actual size part.

x2 = Quantity for step.

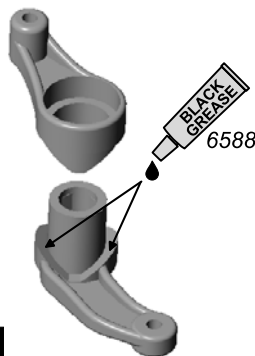
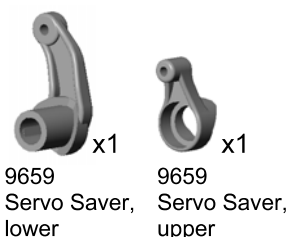
**Rear x2** = Do entire step twice.

! = Pay attention to this detail.

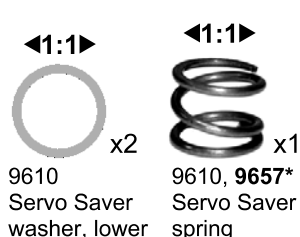
RTR: 9181 = Part number for RTR buggies.

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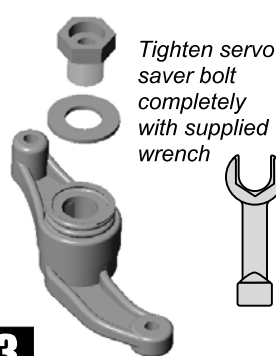
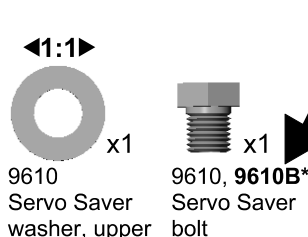
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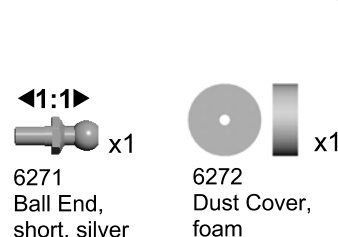
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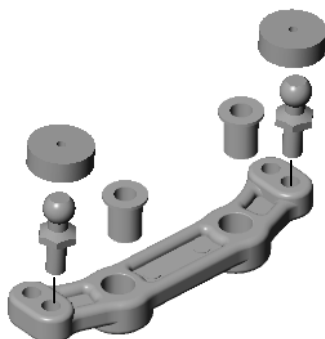
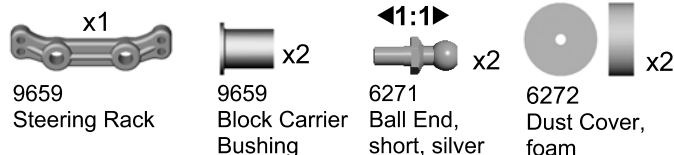
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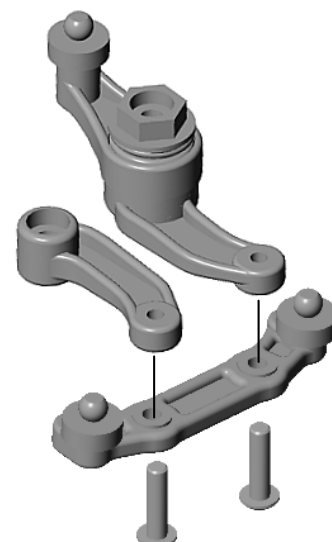
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## NOTE

Install ball ends here only when using **OPTIONAL** inline axles #9577, 9623

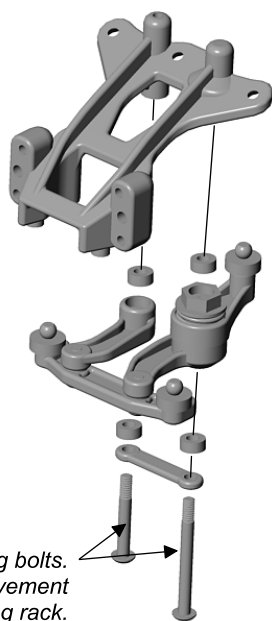
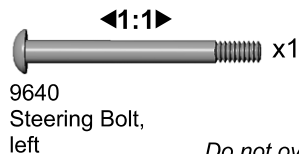
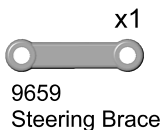
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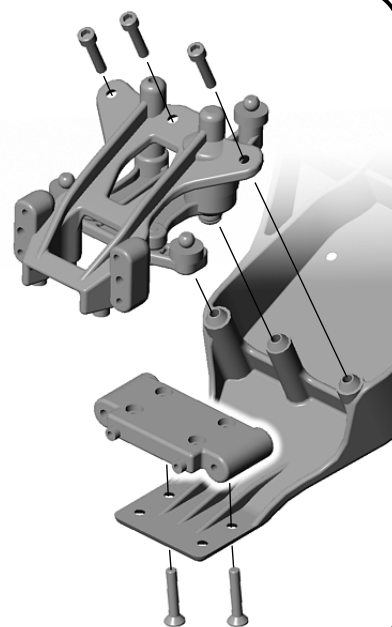
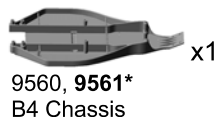
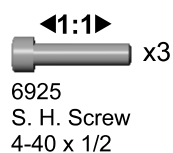
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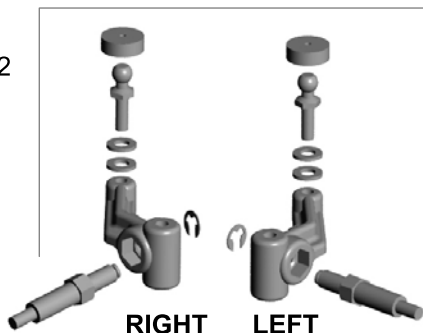
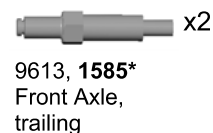
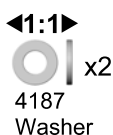
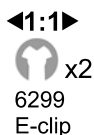
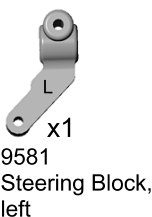
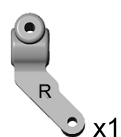
*Do not overtighten steering bolts.  
Make sure there is free movement  
in the steering rack.*

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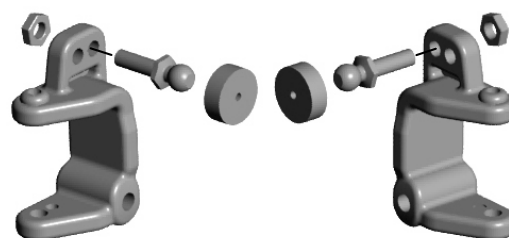
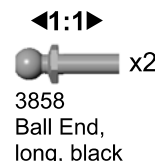
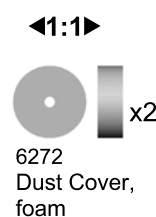
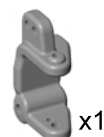
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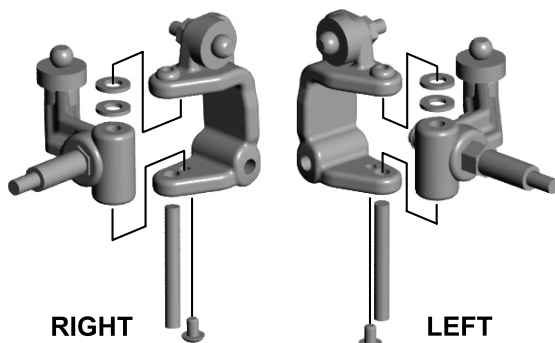
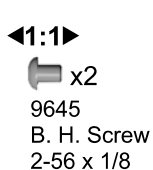
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RIGHT

LEFT

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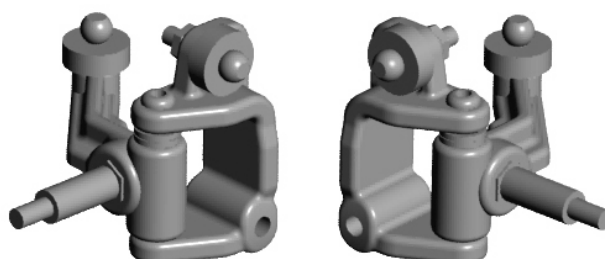
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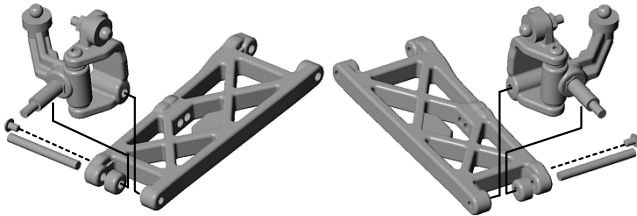
**STEPS 1-3  
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LEFT**



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# BAG B

- x2  
9578, 9579\*  
A-arms, front
- 1:1 x2  
9580  
Spacer
- 1:1 x2  
9645  
B. H. Screw  
2-56 x 1/8
- 1:1 x2  
9622  
Hinge Pin,  
front outer

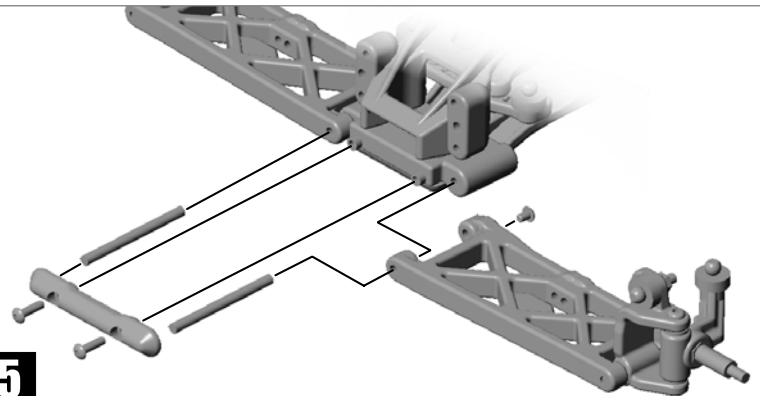


RIGHT

LEFT

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- x1  
9564, 9665\*  
Front Hinge  
Pin Brace
- 1:1 x2  
9621  
Hinge Pin,  
front inner
- 1:1 x2  
9645  
B. H. Screw  
2-56 x 1/8
- 1:1 x2  
4334  
B. H. Screw  
2-56 x 5/16

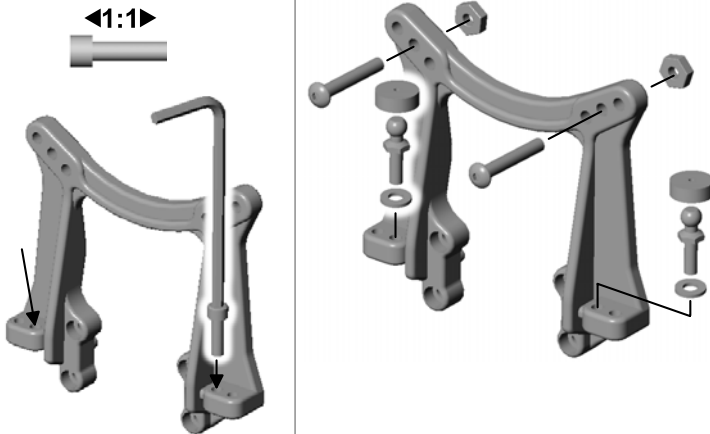


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- 6272  
Dust Cover,  
foam
- 1:1 x2  
6273  
Ball End,  
long, silver
- 1:1 x2  
9630  
washer
- 1:1 x2  
6295  
4-40 nut
- 9568, 9569\*  
Front Shock Tower

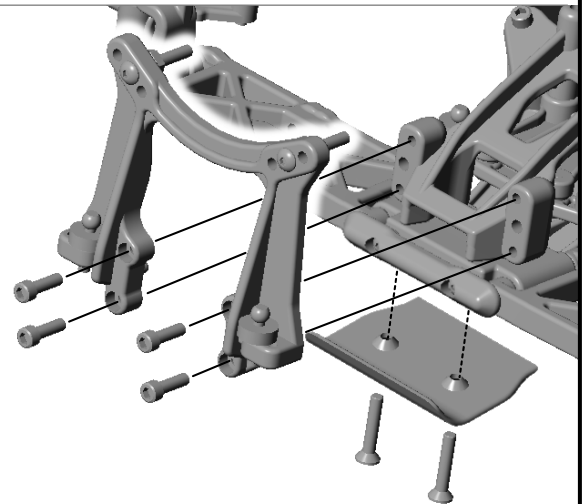
- 1:1 x2  
7413  
B.H. Screw  
4-40 x 3/4

Pre-tap holes with a  
#6924 screw for easier  
ball end installation



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- 9562  
Front Bumper
- 1:1 x4  
6924  
S. H. Screw  
4-40 x 3/8
- 1:1 x2  
6915  
F. H. Screw  
4-40 x 5/8

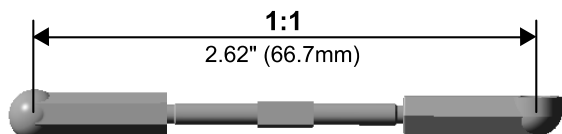
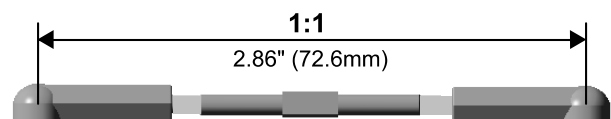
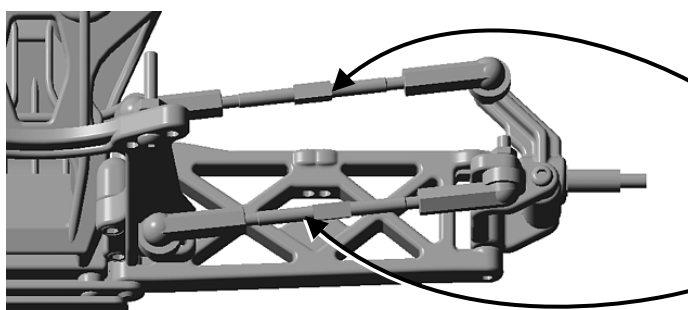
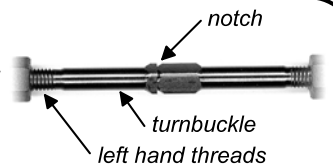


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- 1:1 x4  
6263, 1406\* (2.00")  
2.06" Turnbuckle
- 1:1 x8  
7230  
Ball Cup, large

x2

Orient the notch to the  
left throughout the buggy.  
It indicates which end  
has the left hand threads.



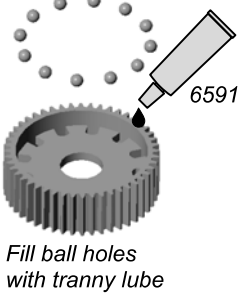
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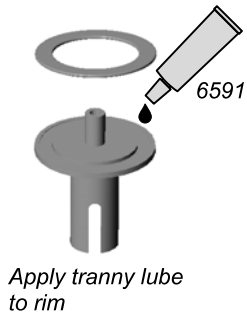
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◀1:1▶  
● x12  
6581  
Carbide Diff Balls  
3/32



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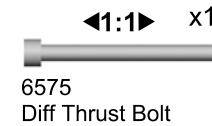
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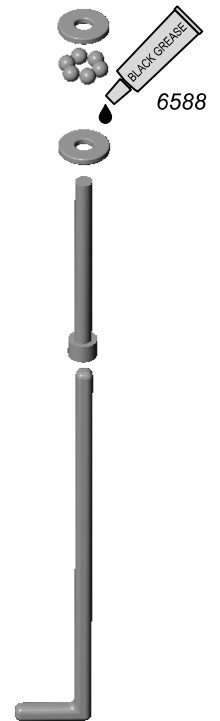
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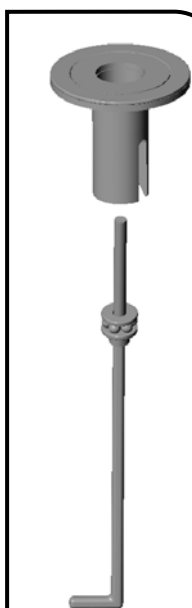
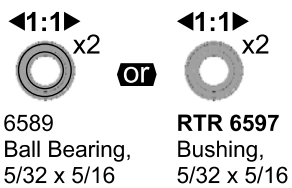
◀1:1▶  
● x6  
6574  
Diff Thrust Ball,  
5/64



Apply Black Grease  
to washer to hold balls  
in place



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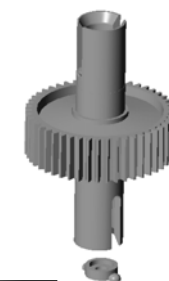


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Compress spring first.

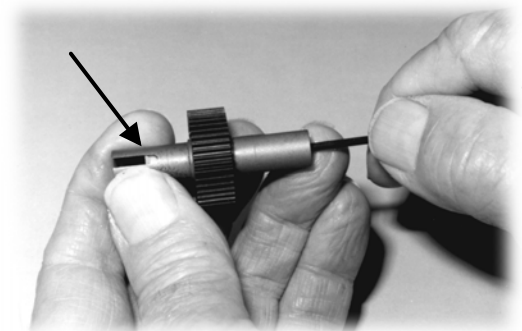


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## SETTING THE DIFFERENTIAL

As you tighten the diff bolt, you will notice the T-nut ears moving closer to the bottom of the outdrive slot. This compresses the spring behind the T-nut. The spring should be completely compressed at the same time the T-nut reaches the end of the slot.

**Caution:** Pay close attention to the feeling when the spring is completely compressed. Do not overtighten the bolt. When you feel the spring completely compressed, loosen the diff bolt 1/8 of a turn. Your diff should now operate smoothly with resistance as the outdrives move in opposite directions. After you have driven the car once, recheck the diff setting.

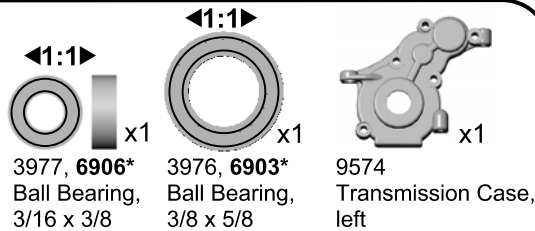


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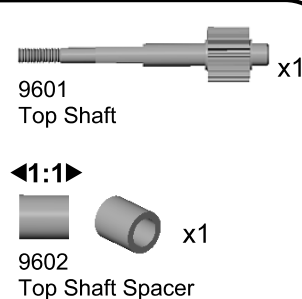
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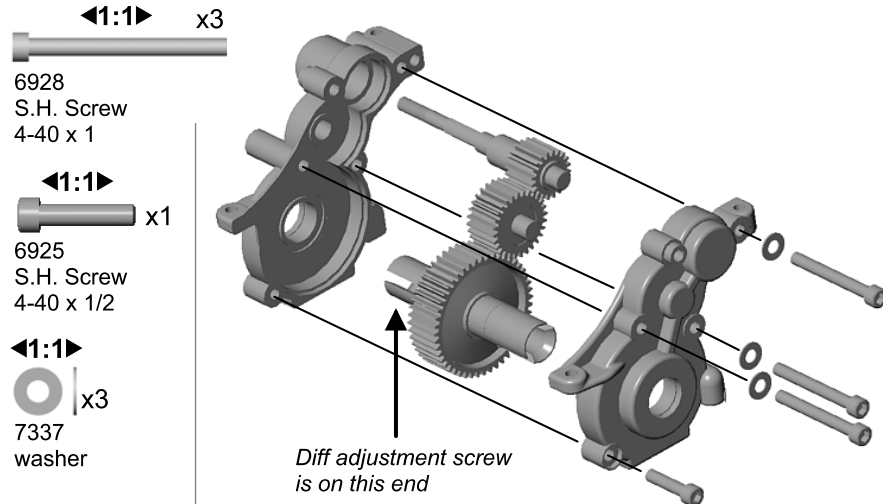
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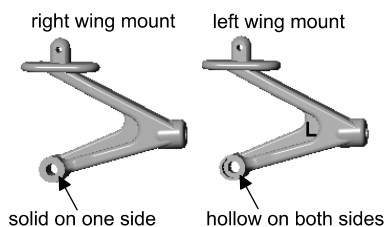
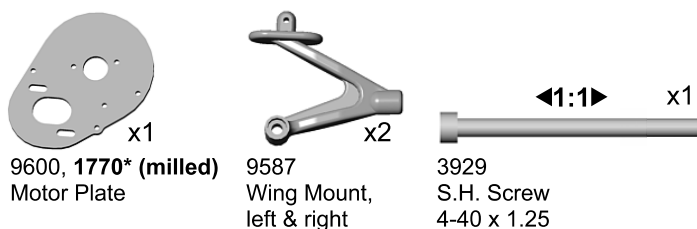
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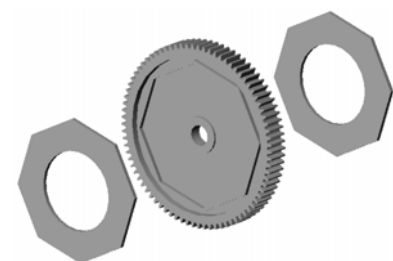
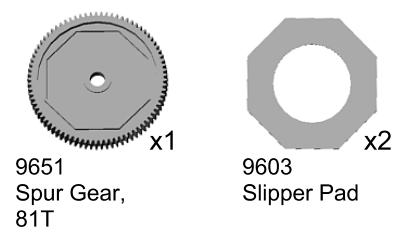


**Racer's Tip:**  
Apply a small amount of  
locking adhesive to these  
holes to prevent screws  
from loosening.

solid side here  
right wing mount

Do not tighten  
this screw until  
page 9 step D8.

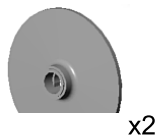
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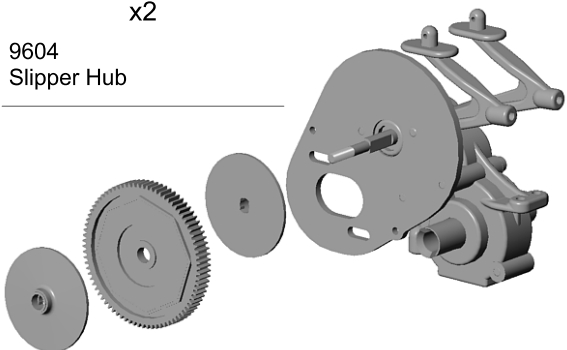
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## BAG C



x2

9604  
Slipper Hub



x1

9605  
Slipper Spring

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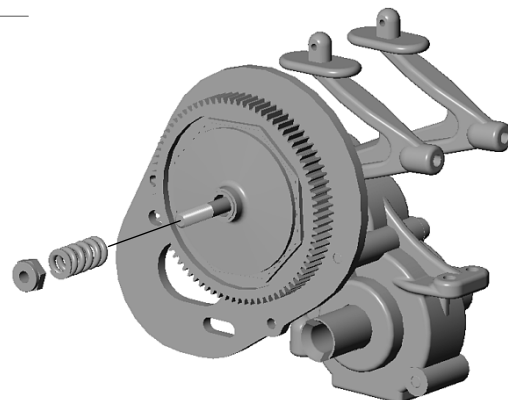


x1

6629  
Locknut, 5-40

Install locknut until even  
with end of shaft. Then  
tighten 4 turns for  
kit slipper setting.

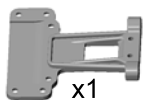
Compress spring first.



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## BAG D



x1

9570  
Rear Chassis Plate



x1

x1

9582, 9583\*  
Rear A-arms,  
left and right

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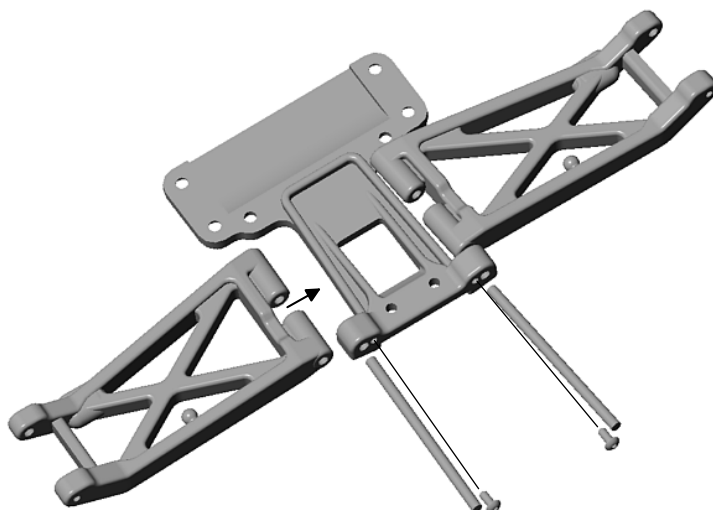
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9621  
Hinge Pin,  
rear inner

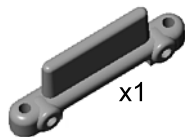
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x2

9645  
B. H. Screw  
2-56 x 1/8



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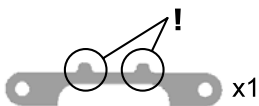
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9571  
Rear Arm Mount

1:1

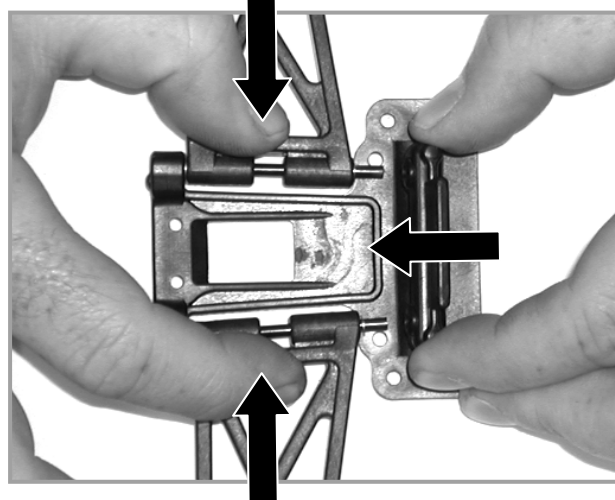
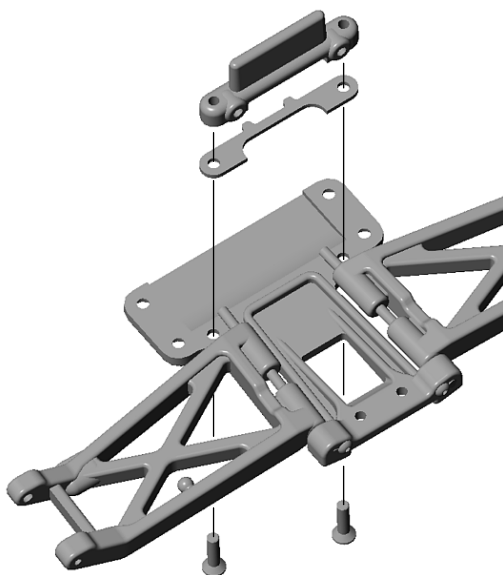
x2

9269  
F. H. screw  
5-40 x 1/2



x1

9571  
Anti-squat Shim, 2 deg.

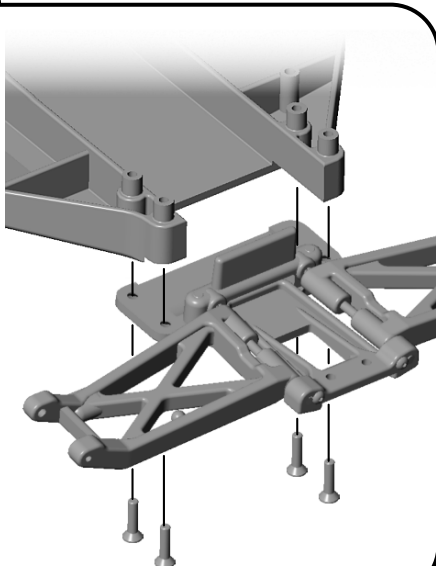


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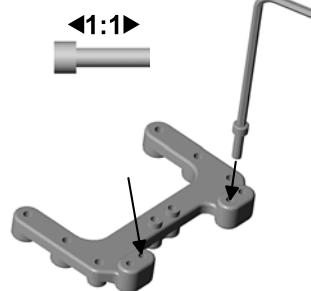
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 9269  
 S. H. screw,  
 5-40 x 1/2



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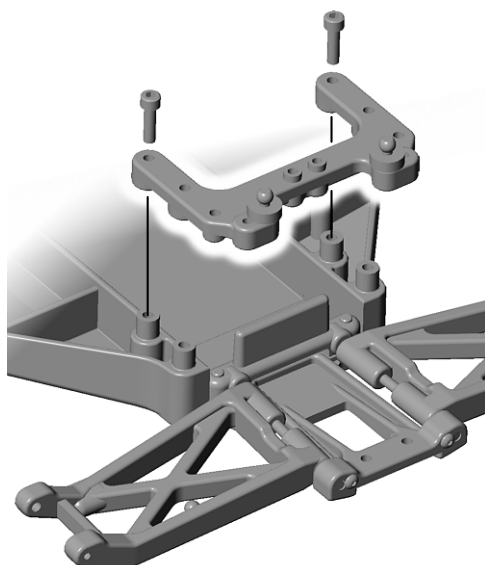
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 6272  
 Dust Cover,  
 foam
- ◀1:1▶** x2  
 6273  
 Ball End,  
 long
- x1  
 9564, 9565\*  
 Brace

*Pre-tap holes with a  
 #6924 screw for easier  
 ball end installation*



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- ◀1:1▶**  
 9643  
 S. H. Screw  
 5-40 x 7/16



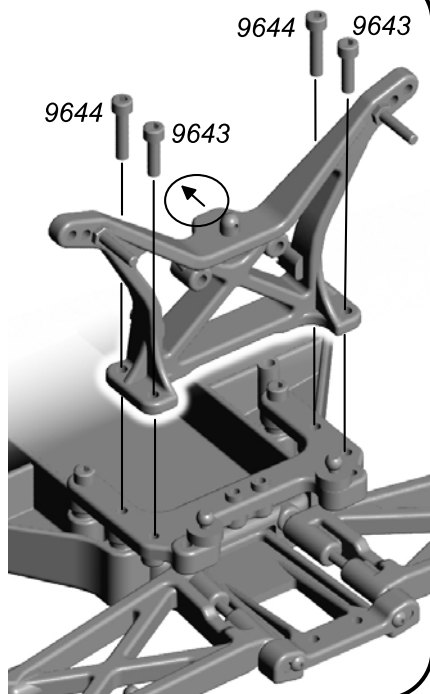
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- ◀1:1▶**  
 7413  
 B. H. screw,  
 4-40 x 3/4
- ◀1:1▶**  
 7260  
 4-40 nut
- x2  
 9572, 9573\*  
 Rear Shock Tower



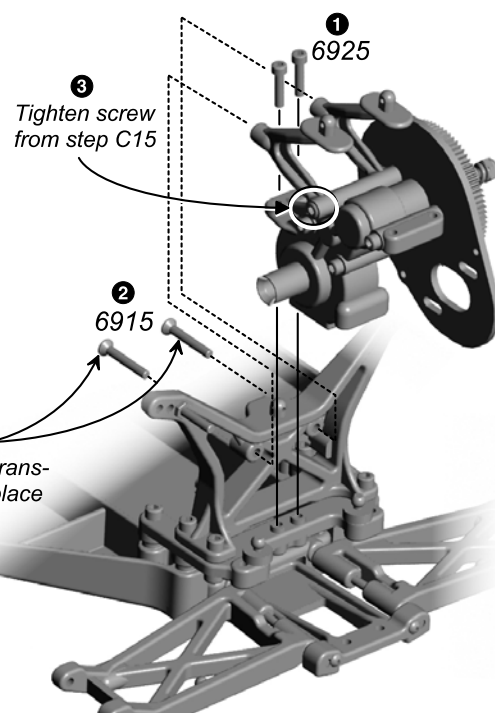
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- ◀1:1▶**  
 9644  
 S. H. screw,  
 5-40 x 9/16
- ◀1:1▶**  
 9643  
 S. H. screw,  
 5-40 x 7/16



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- ◀1:1▶**  
 6925  
 S. H. screw,  
 4-40 x 1/2
- ◀1:1▶**  
 6915  
 F. H. screw,  
 4-40 x 5/8

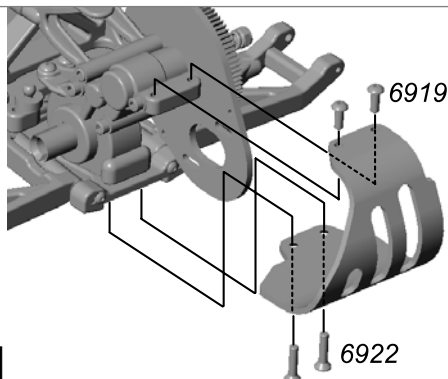


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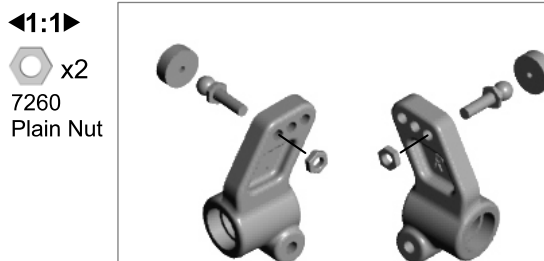
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 6919  
 B. H. screw,  
 4-40 x 5/16
- 1:1** x2  
 6922  
 F. H. screw,  
 4-40 x 1/2
- x1  
 9575  
 Motor Guard



## BAG E

- 1:1** x2  
 6272  
 Dust Cover,  
 foam
- 1:1** x2  
 3858  
 Ball End,  
 black
- x1 x1  
 9584  
 Rear Hub Carriers,  
 left and right

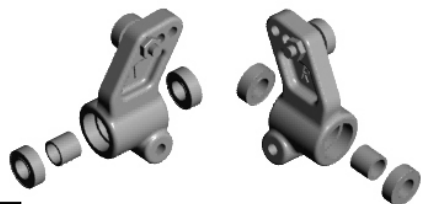


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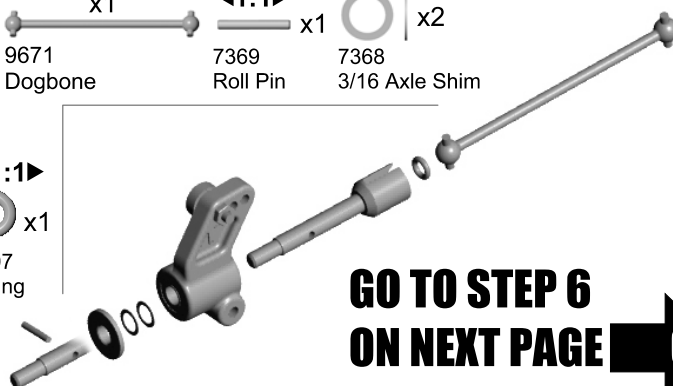
## RTR only x2

- 1:1** x2  
 7377  
 Bearing Spacer
- 1:1** x4  
 3977, 6906\*  
 Ball Bearing,  
 3/16 x 3/8



2

- x1  
 9670  
 Rear Axle
- x1  
 9671  
 Dogbone
- 1:1** x1  
 7369  
 Roll Pin
- 1:1** x2  
 7368  
 3/16 Axle Shim
- 1:1** x1  
 9608, 9608B\*  
 Wheel Spacer
- 1:1** x1  
 5407  
 O-ring



**GO TO STEP 6  
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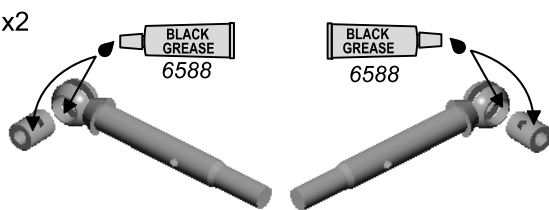
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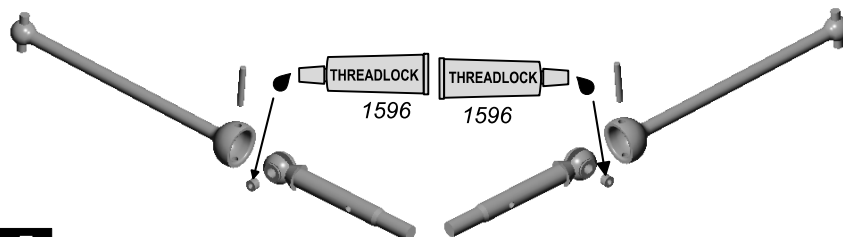
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- x2  
 9598  
 MIP CVD Axle
- x2  
 7381  
 CVD Coupling



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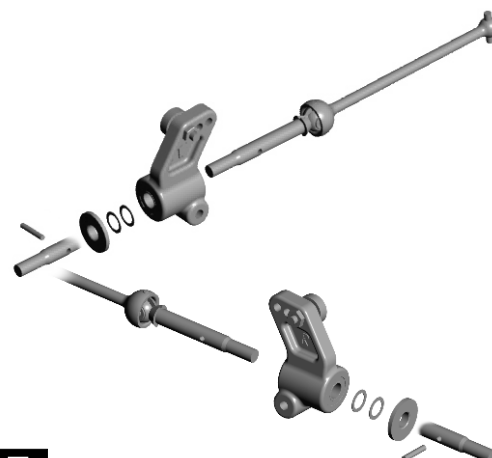
- x2  
 9597  
 CVD Bone
- 1:1** x2  
 7381  
 CVD Cross Pin
- 1:1** x2  
 7381  
 Set Screw



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## 9034, 9035

- 1:1** x2  
 9608, 9608B\*  
 Wheel Spacer
- 1:1** x4  
 7368  
 3/16 Axle Shim
- 1:1** x2  
 7369  
 Roll Pin



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# BAG E

x2



9622  
Hinge Pin,  
rear outer



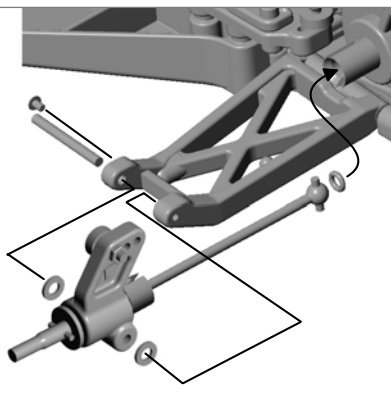
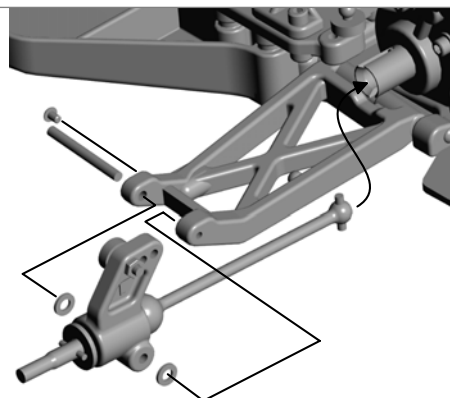
9645  
B.H. Screw  
2-56 x 1/8



4187  
Spacer



RTR: 5407  
O-ring



**6** with MIP CVDs RTRs with Assoc. Axle

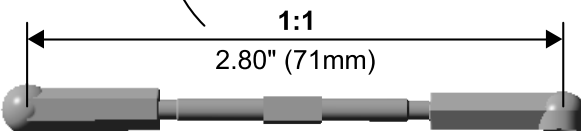
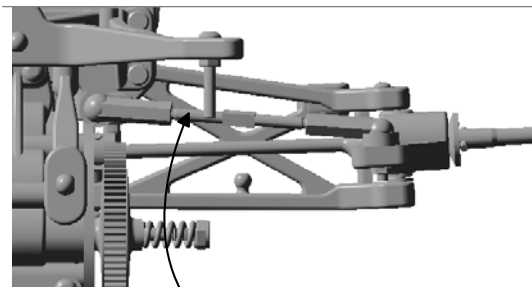
x2



6263, 1406\* (2.00")  
Turnbuckle, 2.06"



7230  
Ball Cup



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# BAG F

Front x2



6440  
Clamp



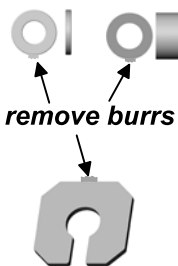
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Thick Washer



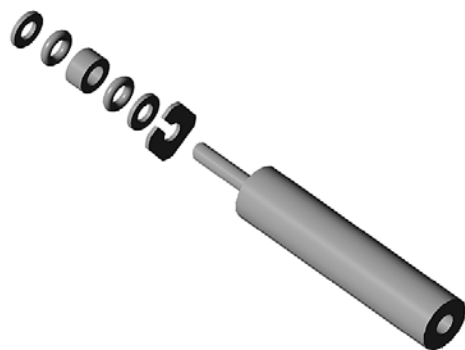
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Thin Washer



5407  
Red O-ring



**1**

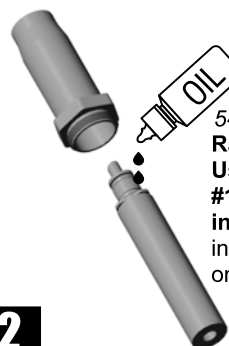


1:1

x1



Front Shock Body, .89"  
9310 hard anodized  
RTR: 9311B blue aluminum  
9312\* threaded hard anodized alum.



**2**



Place on table  
and push down  
hard until clamp  
snaps into place

# 9035



7416  
Shock Collar  
and O-ring



shoulder  
faces  
down

DO ALL FOUR SHOCKS

Front x2



6469  
Shock Cap  
O-ring



**3**

Front x2



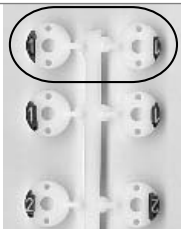
6299  
E-clip



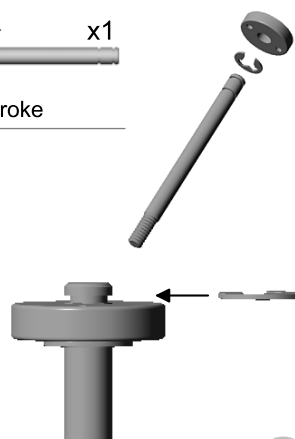
6465  
Shock Piston #1



6460, 6418\*  
Shock Shaft, .71 stroke



remove burrs



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# PARTS FOR RC10B4 KITS

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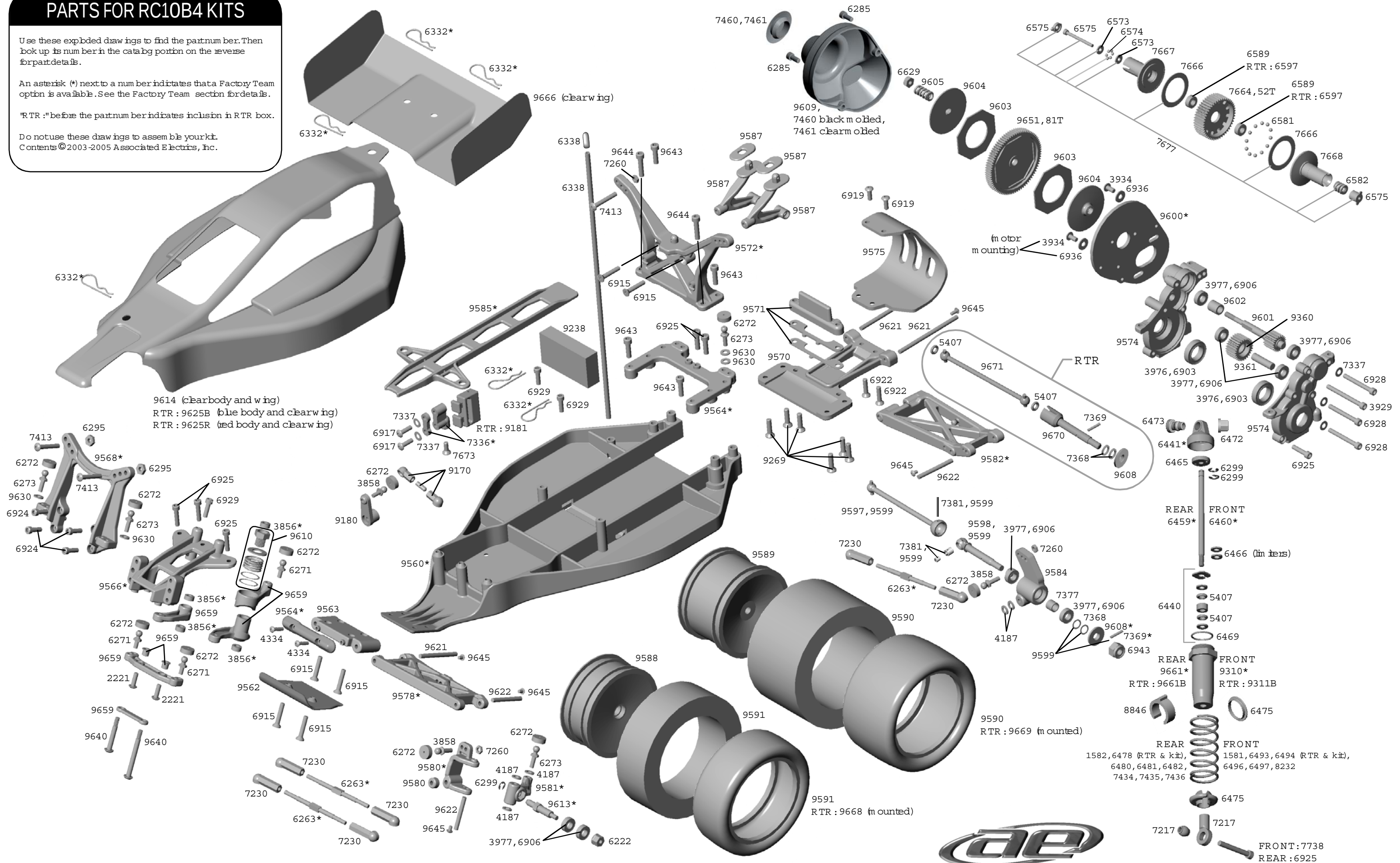
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BAG F

Front x2

x1

7217, 1777\*

Pivot Ball

x1

7217

Eyelet

5422

OIL

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**REAR SHOCKS**

BAG F

Rear x2

x1

6440

Clamp

◀1:1▶

x1

6440

Thick Washer

◀1:1▶

x2

6440

Thin Washer

◀1:1▶

x2

5407

Red O-ring

remove burrs

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BAG F

Rear x2

◀1:1▶

x1

Rear Shock Body, 1.18"

9661 hard anodized

RTR: 9661B blue aluminum

9662\* threaded hard anodized alum.

5422

OIL

Racer's Tip:  
Use Green Slime  
#1105 shock lube  
instead of oil.

Place on table  
and push down  
hard until clamp  
snaps into place

7

Rear x2

◀1:1▶

x1

6469

Shock Cap O-ring

8

Rear x2

◀1:1▶

x2

6299

E-clip

◀1:1▶

x1

6465

Shock Piston #1

◀1:1▶

x1

6459, 6417\*

Shock Shaft, 1.02" stroke

◀1:1▶

x2

6466

Shock Downstop  
(Limiter), 1/32

remove burrs

NO!

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Rear x2

x1

7217, 1777\*

Pivot Ball

x1

7217

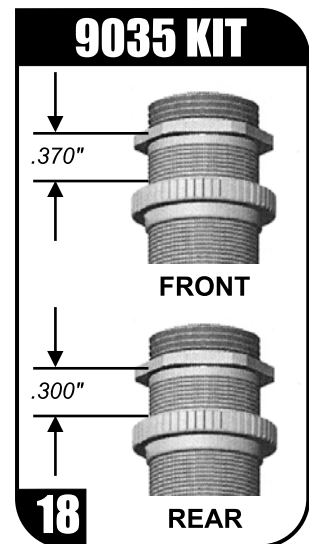
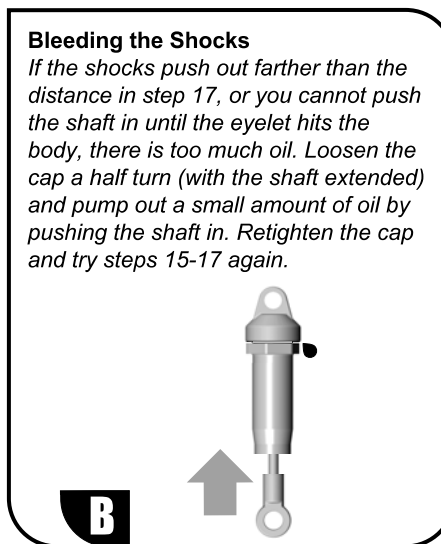
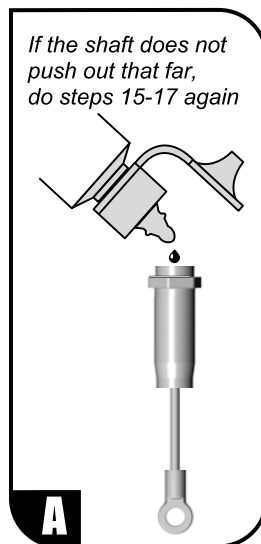
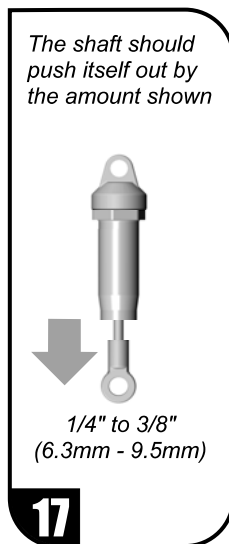
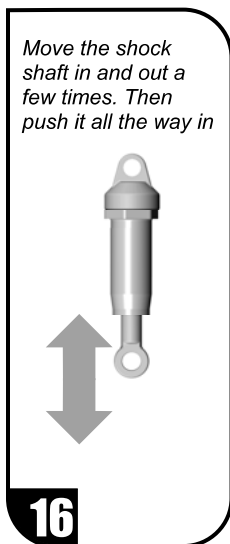
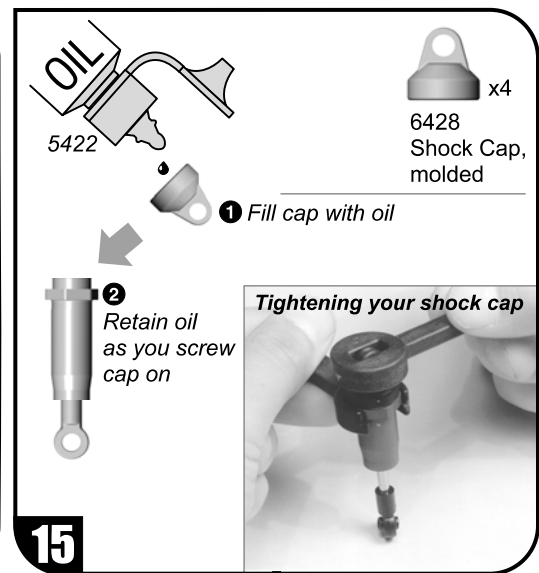
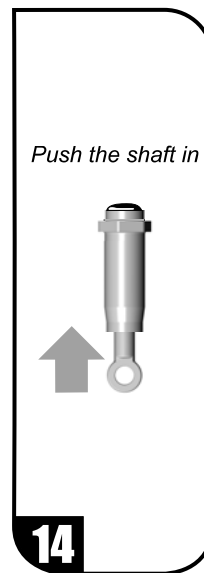
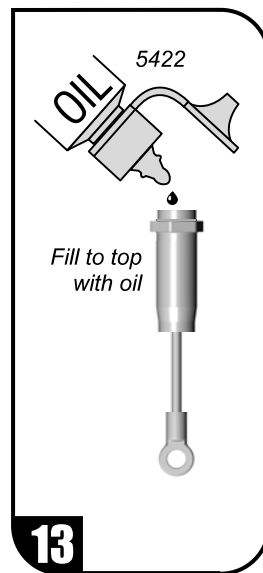
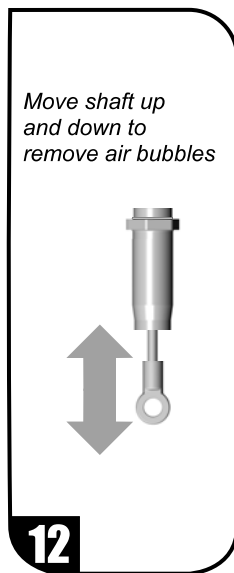
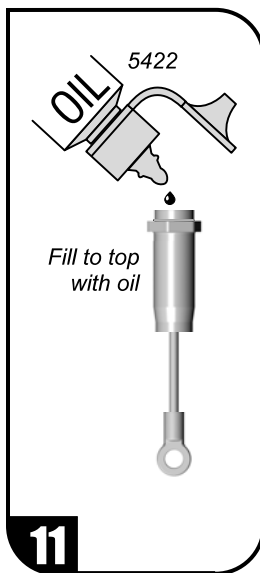
Eyelet

5422

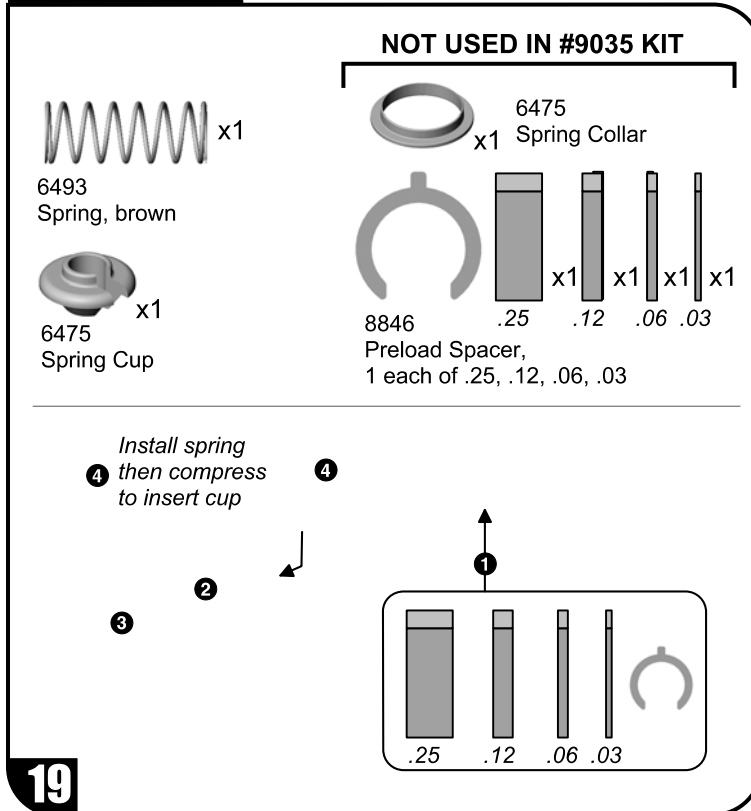
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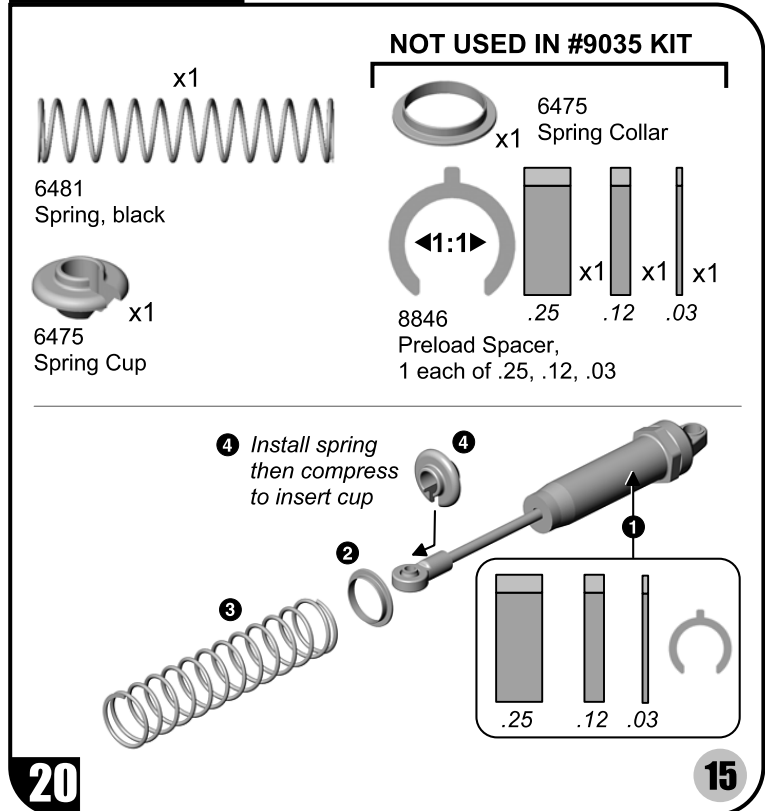
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## Front x2



## Rear x2



## BAG F

## Front x2

◀1:1▶



x1

6472  
4-40/5-40 Plastic Nut



x1

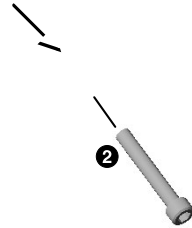
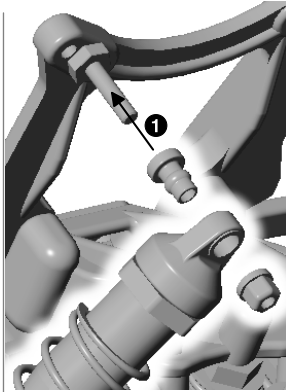
6473  
Shock Bushing

◀1:1▶



x1

7738  
S.H. Screw  
4-40 x 7/8



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## Rear x2

◀1:1▶



x1

6472  
4-40/5-40 Plastic Nut



x1

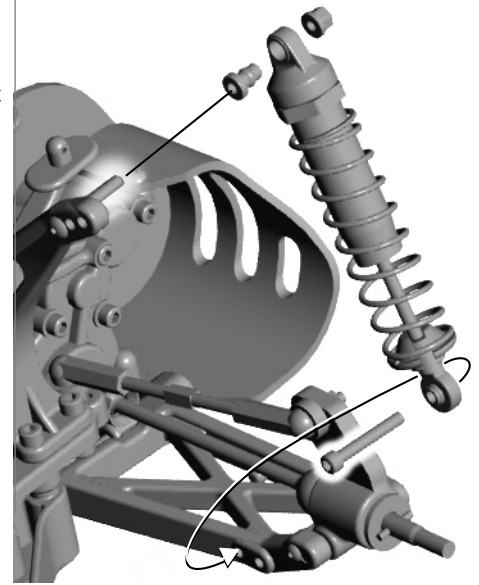
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Shock Bushing

◀1:1▶



x1

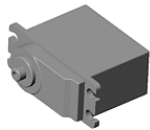
6925  
S.H. Screw  
4-40 x 1/2



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## BAG G

### 1 FIND YOUR SERVO TYPE



### 2 SELECT YOUR SPACER(S)



### 3 SELECT YOUR SERVO HORN



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### 1 STEERING SERVO TYPE

(Steering servo is sold separately)  
NOT ALL SERVOS ARE LISTED



### 2 #7337 SPACER

### 3 #9180 SERVO ARM



|                                                                                                                  |              |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Airtronics</b><br>94102                                                                                       | no spacer    | <b>A</b> |
| <b>Airtronics</b><br>94738, 94157, 94158, 94257, 94258, 94357, 94358, 94452, 94453, 94751, 94755                 | thick spacer | <b>A</b> |
| <b>Hitec</b><br>HS-5625MG, HS-5645MG, HS-625MG, HS645MG                                                          | no spacer    | <b>H</b> |
| <b>Hitec</b><br>HS-303, HS-300BB, HS-945MG, HS-925MG, HS-5945MG, HS-5925MG, HS-525MG, HS-525BB, HS-425BB, HS-422 | thin spacer  | <b>H</b> |
| <b>JR</b><br>Z4725, Z4750, Z2750, Z8450, Z8550, NES-4750                                                         | no spacer    | <b>J</b> |
| <b>JR</b><br>Z250, Z550                                                                                          | thin spacer  | <b>J</b> |
| <b>Futaba</b><br>S9204, S9250, S9450, S148                                                                       | no spacer    | <b>F</b> |
| <b>Futaba</b><br>S3003, S9202, S9101                                                                             | thin spacer  | <b>F</b> |
| <b>Futaba</b><br>S9404                                                                                           | thick spacer | <b>F</b> |
| <b>KO</b><br>PS-401, PS-2001, PS-2004, PS-2015, PS-2173, PS-2174, PS-2123, PS-2143, PS-2144                      | thin spacer  | <b>J</b> |

◀1:1▶



x1

6272  
Ball End Dust Cover



x1

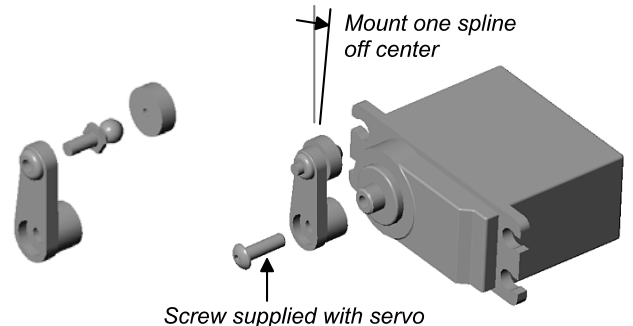
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Servo Horn

◀1:1▶



x1

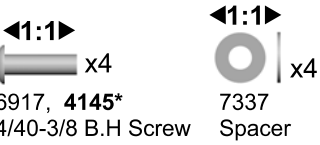
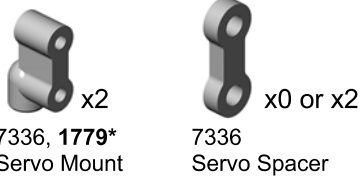
3858  
Ball End, black



Screw supplied with servo

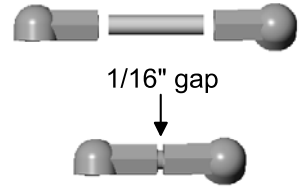
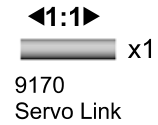
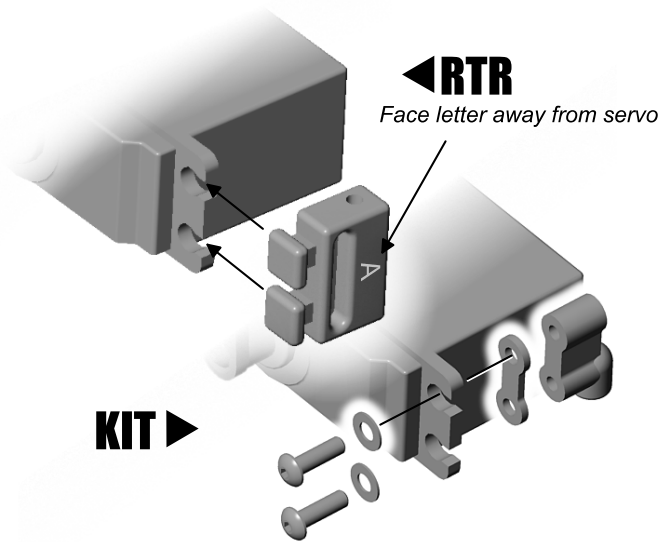
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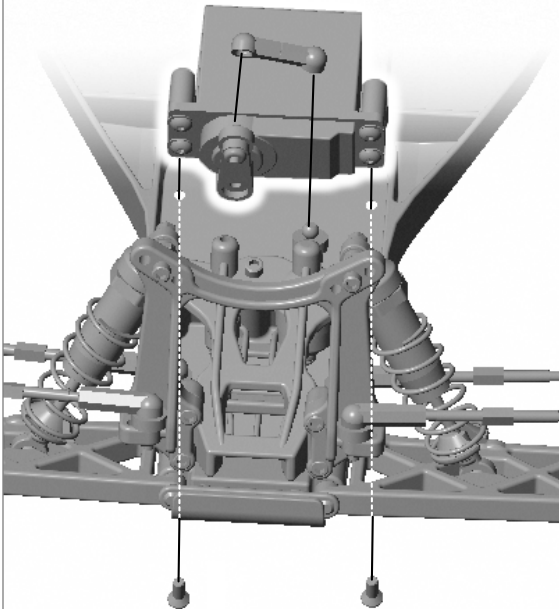


**RTR: 9181**  
RTR Clip-on Servo Mount

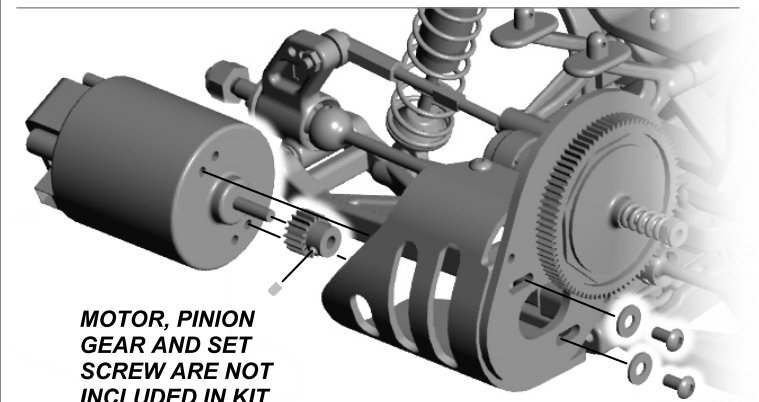
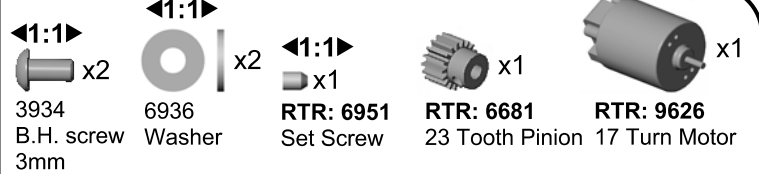
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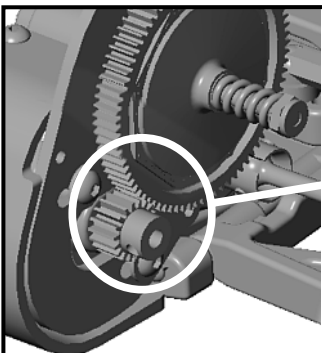
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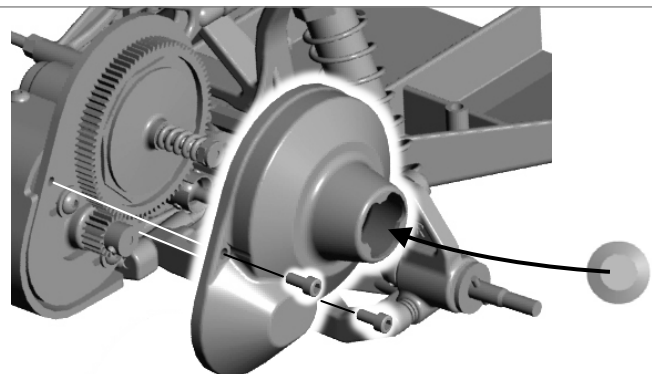
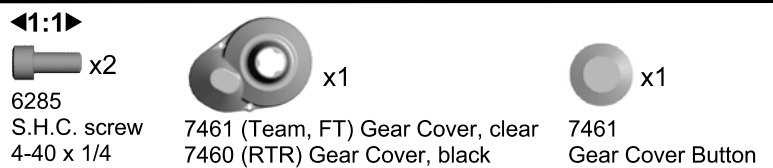


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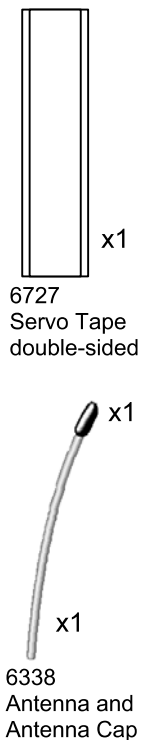
**SET THE GEAR MESH**  
You should be able to rock the spur gear back and forth in the teeth of the pinion gear without making the pinion gear move. If the spur gear mesh is tight, then loosen the #3934 screws and move the motor away, then try again. A gear mesh that is too tight or too loose will reduce power and damage the gear teeth.

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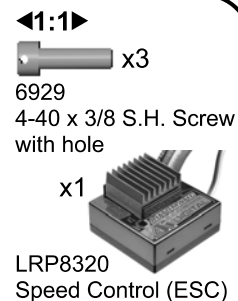
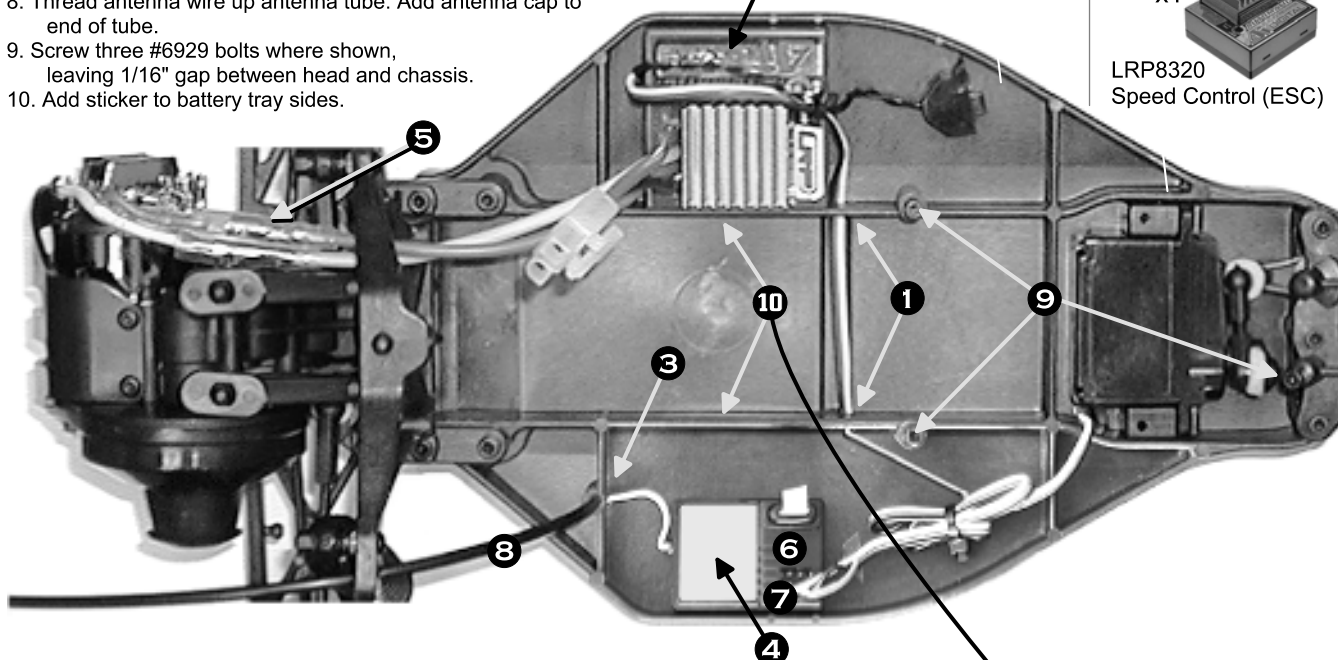


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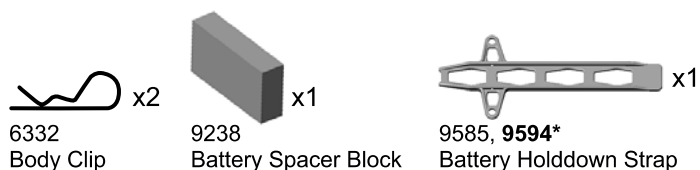
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1. Feed ESC wire through holes as shown.
2. Attach servo tape under ESC and attach ESC where shown.
3. Feed antenna wire through antenna mount.
4. Attach servo tape under receiver and attach receiver where shown.
5. Thread ESC wires through tower and connect to motor.
6. Plug ESC wire into receiver channel 2.
7. Plug steering servo wire into receiver channel 1.
8. Thread antenna wire up antenna tube. Add antenna cap to end of tube.
9. Screw three #6929 bolts where shown, leaving 1/16" gap between head and chassis.
10. Add sticker to battery tray sides.



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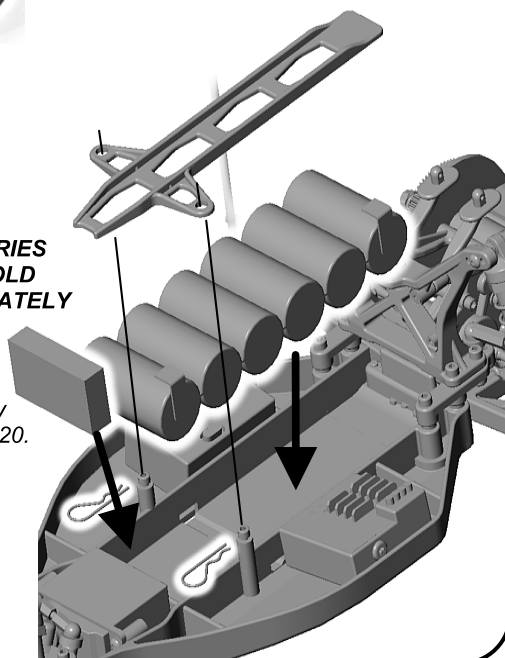


Your **OPTIONAL** batteries may come in stick pack form, shown at left.

**CONNECT BATTERY  
PLUG TO ESC PLUG**

**BATTERIES  
ARE SOLD  
SEPARATELY**

If you need help on  
assembling your battery  
pack, please see page 20.



**RECEIVER NOT  
INCLUDED IN KIT**

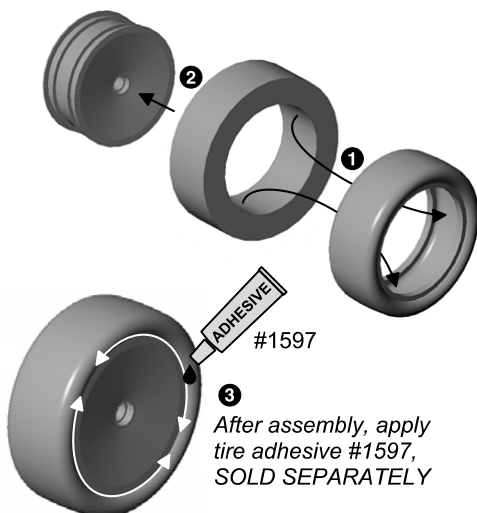


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## BAG H

## Kit only--Front x2

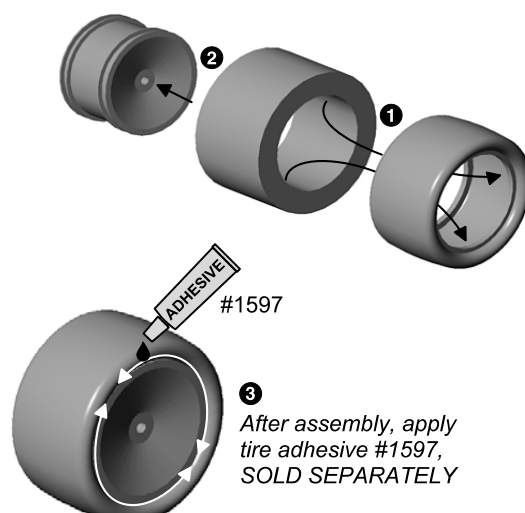
- x1  
9588  
Front Wheel
- x1  
9591  
Front Tire
- x1  
9591  
Front Insert



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## Kit only--Rear x2

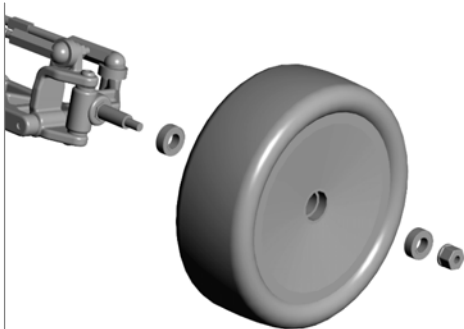
- x1  
9589  
Rear Wheel
- x1  
9590  
Rear Tire
- x1  
9590  
Rear Insert



2

## Front x2

- x1  
RTR: 9668  
Front Tire, premounted
- $\triangleleft 1:1 \triangleright$   
x1  
6222  
4-40/5-40 locknut
- $\triangleleft 1:1 \triangleright$   
x2  
3977, 6906\*  
3/16 x 3/8 ball bearing
- $\triangleleft 1:1 \triangleright$   
x1  
6288\*  
4-40 X 1/4" BH screw

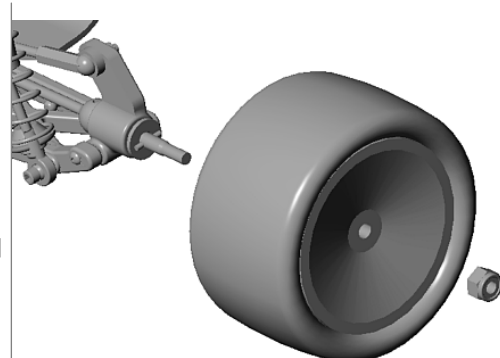


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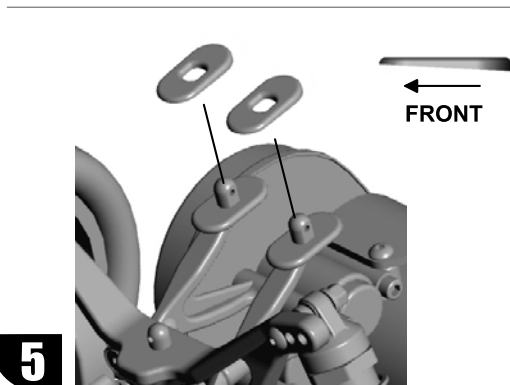
## Rear x2

- $\triangleleft 1:1 \triangleright$   
x1  
6943\*  
8-32 Alum. Locknut
- RTR: 6952  
8-32 Steel Locknut
- x1  
RTR: 9669  
Rear Tire premounted



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- x2 9587  
Wing Angle Shim



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- x1  
9614  
Body & Wing
- RTR: 9625  
Body & Wing

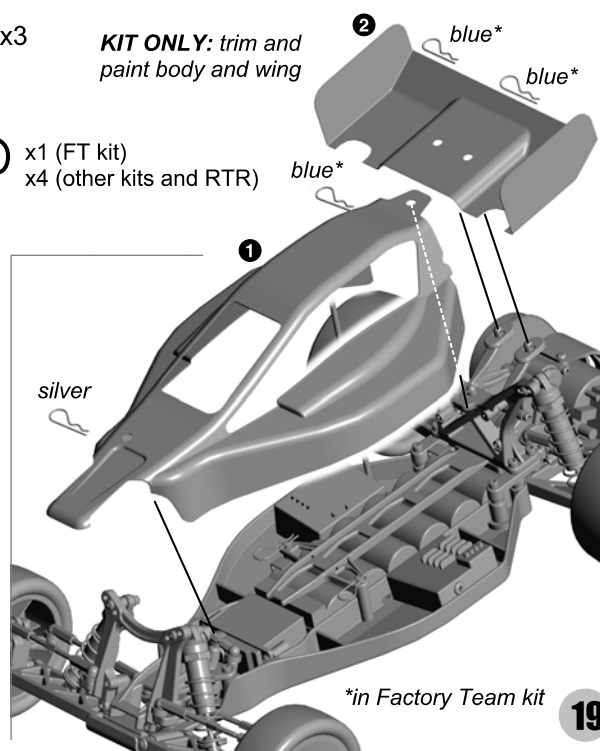
- x1  
9666  
Wing

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- x3  
1736\*  
Body Clip

- x1 (FT kit)  
x4 (other kits and RTR)  
6332  
Body Clip

**KIT ONLY:** trim and paint body and wing



\*in Factory Team kit

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## FINAL ADJUSTMENTS

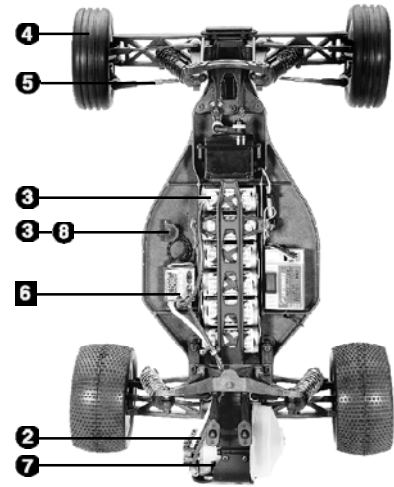
Make these adjustments before you drive the buggy

### RADIO ADJUSTMENTS

Use the following steps to make the final adjustments on your car.

1. Turn the transmitter on.
2. Make sure the motor is disconnected.
3. Connect your battery pack (if RTR) and/or turn the ESC's power switch on (if included).
4. Move the steering control on the transmitter to the right and left. Do the wheels move in the correct direction? If not, you must reverse the steering servo direction on your transmitter (see radio manual).
5. Adjust your steering trim (see radio manual) until the #9659 steering rack is centered under the top plate. Then, using the two steering

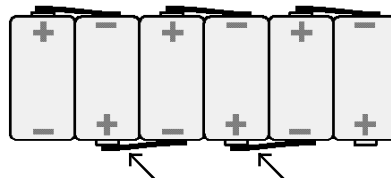
- tumbuckles, adjust the front wheels so they are pointing straight ahead.
6. Adjust the ESC (electronic speed control) according to the speed control manufacturer's instructions. Some manufacturers have the motor connected during adjustment and some do not. Now turn the power switch off.
  7. Connect the motor. Place your car on a block or car stand so that all four wheels are elevated. Turn the power switch on again. Check the ESC and steering settings you have made and then turn the power switch back off.
  8. Remember this! The transmitter is always the FIRST TO BE TURNED ON and THE LAST TURNED OFF.



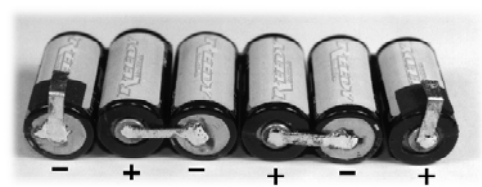
### ASSEMBLE BATTERY PACK

If you are not using a stick battery pack, here is how to assemble your battery pack. Solder individual cell connections as shown.

Team racers prefer battery bars for sturdier connections. Insulated wire will not allow the pack to fit in the battery slot.



Solder connections with Reedy Battery Bars (#651)



← A in negative lead toward the front

### MOTOR GEARING

To get the most from your motor, proper gearing is important. The gear ratios listed in the chart are recommended starting gear ratios. Ratios can vary from track to track, but you should not change the pinion size more than one tooth from the recommended ratio.

**CAUTION!** Increasing the pinion size by more than one tooth can damage your motor from excess heat.

| MOTOR                    | PINION | SPUR | FINAL DRIVE RATIO |
|--------------------------|--------|------|-------------------|
| 24° stock (torque-based) | 24     | 81   | 8.78:1            |
| 24° stock (RPM-based)    | 22     | 81   | 9.57:1            |
| Spec 19                  | 22     | 81   | 9.57:1            |
| 14 turn modified motor   | 23     | 81   | 9.16:1            |
| 13 turn modified motor   | 22     | 81   | 9.57:1            |
| 12 turn modified motor   | 21     | 81   | 10.03:1           |
| 11 turn modified motor   | 20     | 81   | 10.53:1           |
| 10 turn modified motor   | 19     | 81   | 11.08:1           |

## MAINTENANCE

Follow these steps to keep your buggy in shape for racing

### CHECK FOR FIT

You should periodically check all the moving parts: front and rear end, suspension arms, steering blocks, steering linkage, shocks, and so on. If any of these should get dirty or bind then your car's performance will suffer.

### MOTOR MAINTENANCE

Between runs, inspect the brushes to ensure they are moving freely in the brush holder. This is done by carefully removing the spring and sliding the brush in and out of the holder. If there is any resistance or rough spots, remove

the brush and carefully wipe the brush clean. This will clean off any buildup so the brush slides smoothly in the brush holder.

After every 3 to 5 runs, remove the brushes from the holders and inspect the tips for wear and/or burning. If there is a noticeable amount of wear, replace the brush with a new pair. If the tip is a burnt blue color, then the lubricant in the brush has been burned away and new brushes should be installed.

After every other battery charge you should carefully clean the motor. One recommended

method is to spray motor cleaner directly on the brush and commutator area. Run the motor for approximately 15 seconds. Disconnect the motor and spray it again, making sure the runoff is clear and clean. If the runoff is still dirty, repeat the spraying action until clean. After completing the cleaning, apply a small amount of lightweight oil to each bushing or bearing for lubrication. Be careful not to apply too much oil, for this will pick up dirt and contaminate the commutator and brushes.

### DIFFERENTIAL

Adjust the differential ("diff") as noted on page 6. Adjusting the diff is not meant to be a tuning option. If you can hear the diff making a "barking" or "chipping" sound on jump landings, either your diff is set too loose or your slipper clutch is set too tight. First check your slipper setting, then re-set the diff according to the instructions on step C-9.

### SLIPPER CLUTCH

The assembly instructions give you a base setting for your clutch. Turn the nut on the shaft so that the end of the top shaft is even with the outside of the nut. Tighten the nut 4 more turns. At the track, tighten or loosen the nut in 1/8 turn increments until you hear a

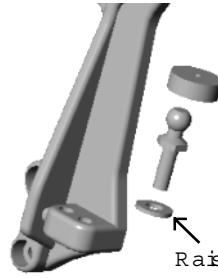
faint slipping sound for 1-2 feet on takeoffs.

Another popular way to set the clutch is to hold both rear tires firmly in place and apply short bursts of throttle. If the clutch is properly set, the front tires should lift slightly up off the surface.

## FRONT CAMBER LINKS

Changing the length of the camber link is considered a bigger step than adjusting the ball end height on the tower. Shortening the camber link (or lowering the ball end) will give the front end less roll and quicken steering response. Lengthening the camber link (or raising the ball end) will give the front more roll and slower steering response.

Longer camber links are typically used on high grip tracks and shorter links tend to work better on med-grip bosc tracks.



Raise or lower the ball end by adding or subtracting washers here

## STEERING BLOCKS

The included trailing steering blocks (#9581) should be used in most cases. The Team especially recommends the trailing blocks on high-grip or "blue-groove".

Changing to the optional inline steering blocks (#9577) will give the car an overall aggressive feeling. Steering entering and exiting the corners is increased, but straight line stability is slightly reduced.

## CASTER

Caster describes the angle of the kingpin as it leans toward the rear of the vehicle. Positive caster means the kingpin leans rearward at the top.

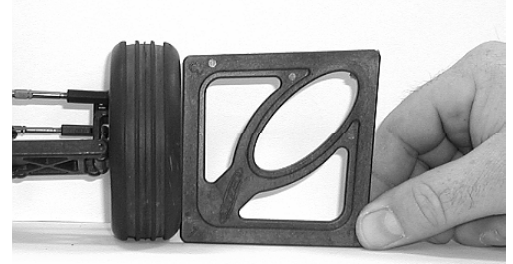
The supplied 25° caster blocks (#9580) are recommended in most cases. For more corner entry steering and less exit steering, try the optional 30° blocks (#9593).

The optional 20° blocks (#9592) will give you more exit steering and less entry steering.

## CAMBER

Camber describes the angle at which the tire and wheel rides when looked at from the front. Negative camber means that the tire leans inward at the top.

A good starting camber setting is -1°. Use the included #1719 camber gauge to set your camber as shown. Positive camber, where the top of the tire is leaning out, is not recommended.



Testing camber with the camber gauge

## FRONT TOE-IN

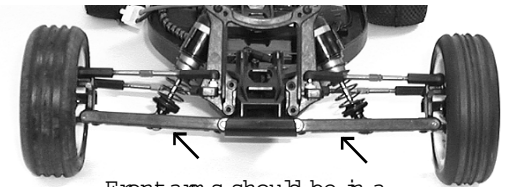
Toe-in describes the angle of the front tires when viewed from the top. With toe-in, the front of the tires point inward.

Zero degree toe-in (tires pointing straight forward) is the setting that should be used in almost all track conditions. Occasionally you can increase turn in by adding a little toe-out (front of tires points slightly out). Front toe-in is not a typical tuning adjustment used by the Team.

## FRONT RIDE HEIGHT

Ride height is the distance from the ground to the bottom of the chassis.

The standard front ride height setting is with the front arms level (referred to as "arms level"). Check the ride height by lifting up the entire car about 8-12 inches off the bench and drop it. After the suspension "settles" into place, add or remove pre-bad clips so that the left & right arms appear to be flat as seen in the following picture.



Front arms should be in a straight line when ride height is set as "arms level"

## ANTISQUAT

Anti-squat denotes the angle of the rear arms relative to the ground. Zero anti-squat means that the rear arms are flat, parallel with the ground. The kit setting is 2°, and can be adjusted by installing or removing the included

shims underneath the arm mount.

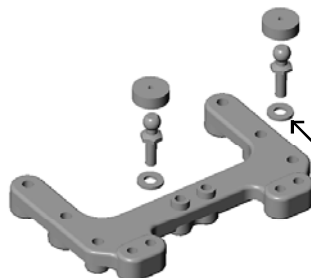
The shim with 2 tabs is for 2° and the shim with 1 tab is for 1°. You can use any combination of shims to get 0, 1, 2, or 3° anti-squat. Adding anti-squat tends to make the car "rotate" more in corners, but doesn't handle as well through the bumps.



Uppershim (with one tab), 1°  
Lower shim (with two tabs), 2°

## REAR CAMBER LINK

Changing the length of the camber link is considered a bigger step than adjusting the ball end height on the rear chassis brace. Shortening the camber link (or lowering the ball end) will give the rear end less roll and the car will tend to accelerate or "square up" better. Lengthening the camber link (or raising the ball end) will give the rear more roll and more cornering grip. Longer camber links are typically used on high grip tracks, while shorter links tend to work better on med-grip bosc tracks. The kit setting is the best compromise of cornering grip and acceleration.



Raise or lower the ball end by adding or subtracting washers here

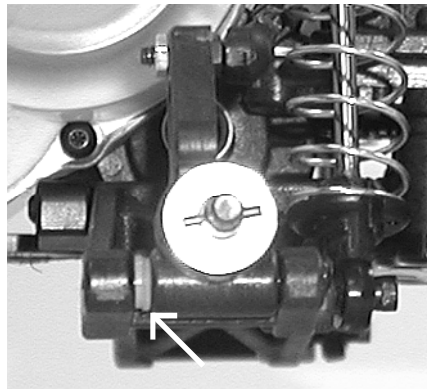
## REAR CAMBER

Camber describes the angle at which the tire and wheel rides when looked at from the back. Negative camber means that the tire leans inward at the top.

A good starting camber setting is -1°. Use the included #1719 camber gauge to set your camber (shown above). Adding a small amount of positive camber, where the top of the tire is leaning out, will tend to improve straight-line acceleration on bosc tracks.

## WHEELBASE ADJUSTMENT

You have three options for rear hub spacing, Forward, Middle, & Back. The kit setting provides the most rear traction, and will be used most often. For improved handling in bumps or rhythm sections, try moving the hubs to the Middle or Back position. This can also make the car handle better in 180° turns.



Spacers to the rear will place hubs forward, shortening the wheelbase

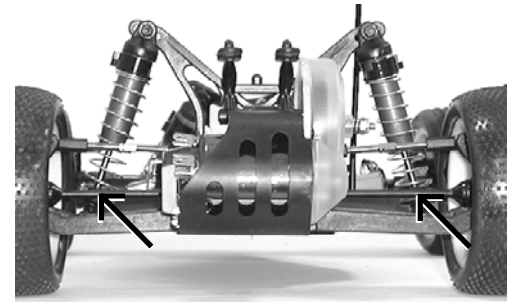
## ANTIROLL BAR

The optional #9635 B4 rear anti-roll bar kit (also called the "swaybar") allows you to add roll resistance to the rear end with minimal effect on handling over bumps and jumps. It is an especially helpful tuning item on high-grip tracks (try the gold bar). The silver and black anti-roll bars are typically used on medium-grip bosc tracks.

## REAR RIDE HEIGHT

Ride height is the distance from the ground to the bottom of the chassis.

The rear ride height setting you should use most often is with the outdrive, driveshaft, and axles all on the same imaginary horizontal line (referred to as "bones level"). Check the ride height by lifting up the entire car about 8-12 inches off the bench and dropping it. After the suspension "settles" into place, add or remove pre-load clips so that the left & right driveshafts appear to be flat as seen in the following picture.



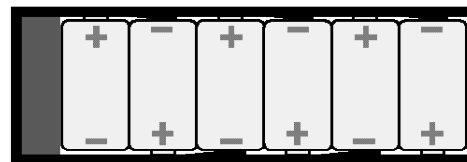
Dogbones should be in a straight line when ride height is set as "dogbones level"

## BATTERY PLACEMENT

This is one of the best adjustments on the car, and it can have the biggest effect on handling. Most of the time, moving the battery pack back will yield more rear traction and decrease steering. Conversely, moving the battery pack forward will yield less rear traction and increase steering. But in some cases on extremely high grip or extremely low grip tracks, moving the pack forward will make the buggy feel more balanced and actually improve rear grip.

### FRONT

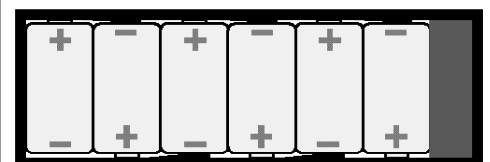
### REAR



Spacer to the front will place batteries to the rear

### FRONT

### REAR



Spacer to the rear will place batteries to the front

## SETUP SHEETS

The best way to get your car handling right is to go to our website, [www.rc10.com](http://www.rc10.com), and click on the links for setup sheets. Our Team Drivers help develop these setups at National events.

Also, most drivers have a "base" setup that they use as a starting point for every event. Try running some of these base setups or look for track conditions and tires that are similar to your local track and mimic that setup.

Remember, each adjustment has a purpose, so copy everything from the setup sheet and then make adjustments based on the recommendations in here.

For more information on setups, please go online to the Tuning Guide page and order the #9656 Complete Tuning Guide: B4.

## TEAM ASSOCIATED ONLINE

Get online help, tips, and new product information for your kit through Team Associated's web site, [www.TeamAssociated.com](http://www.TeamAssociated.com).

Tech Help. Answers to racer's questions are posted for all to learn from.

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# SETUP SHEET for the Team Associated RC10B4

Driver \_\_\_\_\_  
Track / City \_\_\_\_\_  
Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FRONT SHOCK MOUNTING & CAMBER LNK**

1 2 3  
#W ASHERS \_\_\_\_\_ CAMBER \_\_\_\_\_°  
AB  
IO  
RIDE HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_

TOE-IN (+) / OUT (-) \_\_\_\_\_°  
BUMP STEER SPACER \_\_\_\_\_  
AXLE HEIGHT CASTER  
☐ up ☐ 20°  
☐ middle ☐ 25°  
☐ down ☐ 30°  
STEERING BLOCK ☐ trailing ☐ inline

**FRONT SHOCKS** OIL \_\_\_\_\_ wt  
SPRING (color) \_\_\_\_\_ PISTON # \_\_\_\_\_  
SHAFT ☐ unobtainium ☐ STD # LIMITERS \_\_\_\_\_

**FRONT TIRES & WHEELS**  
FRONT TIRES \_\_\_\_\_  
INSERTS \_\_\_\_\_ WHEELS \_\_\_\_\_  
TRACTION COMPOUND \_\_\_\_\_

**REAR SHOCK MOUNTING & CAMBER LNK**

1 2 3  
#W ASHERS \_\_\_\_\_ CAMBER \_\_\_\_\_°  
ABC  
IO  
RIDE HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_

ANTISQUAT  
☐ 0°  
☐ 1°  
☐ 2°  
☐ 3°  
WHEELBASE ☐ long ☐ medium ☐ short  
ANTIROLLBAR  
☐ none  
☐ black (soft)  
☐ silver (med)  
☐ gold (heavy)

**REAR SHOCKS** OIL \_\_\_\_\_ wt  
SPRING (color) \_\_\_\_\_ PISTON # \_\_\_\_\_  
SHAFT ☐ unobtainium ☐ STD # LIMITERS \_\_\_\_\_

**REAR TIRES & WHEELS**  
REAR TIRES \_\_\_\_\_  
INSERTS \_\_\_\_\_ WHEELS \_\_\_\_\_

| RADIO / BATTERIES                                                              | MOTOR                     | OTHER                                                                                          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RADIO _____ SERVO _____                                                        | MOTOR & WIND _____        | BODY _____                                                                                     |
| ESC _____                                                                      | BRUSHES _____             | WING _____                                                                                     |
| DRAW BRAKE _____ NIT BRAKE _____                                               | SPRING _____              | WING ANGLE <input type="checkbox"/> 0° <input type="checkbox"/> 3° <input type="checkbox"/> 6° |
| BATTERY PLACEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> front <input type="checkbox"/> rear | PNDN / SPUR _____ / _____ | CHASSIS _____                                                                                  |
| BATTERIES _____                                                                |                           |                                                                                                |

| CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | COMMENTS                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> smooth <input type="checkbox"/> sandy<br><input type="checkbox"/> bumpy <input type="checkbox"/> soft dirt<br><input type="checkbox"/> low traction <input type="checkbox"/> grass<br><input type="checkbox"/> med traction <input type="checkbox"/> blue groove<br><input type="checkbox"/> high traction <input type="checkbox"/> clay<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> wet <input type="checkbox"/> dusty<br><input type="checkbox"/> dry <input type="checkbox"/> other | NOTES _____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____ |

# FACTORY TEAM TOOLS

1562 3/16"  
1563 1/4"  
1564 5.5mm  
1565 11/32"  
1566 7mm  
1567 8mm



**1561** Factory Team Nut Driver Set, (1 each of 3/16", 1/4", 11/32", 5.5mm, 7mm, 8mm)

1542 .050" 1546 3/32"  
1543 1/16" 1547 2.5mm  
1544 1.5mm 1548 3mm  
1545 5/64"



**1541** Factory Team Hex Driver Set, (1 each of .050", 1/16", 1.5mm, 5/64", 3/32", 2.5mm, 3mm)

Replacement Tips, \$6.99 each:

1586 5/64"  
1587 3/32"  
1588 2.5mm



**1592** Factory Team Ball Hex Wrench Set. (1 each of 5/64", 3/32", 2.5mm)



**1594** Factory Team Body Reamer



**1593** Factory Team Body Reamer Tip



**1719** Factory Team Camber + Track Width Tool



Hex Driver Replacement Tips  
1572 .050" 1576 3/32"  
1573 1/16" 1577 2.5mm  
1574 1.5mm 1578 3mm  
1575 5/64"



**1111** Turnbuckle Wrench



**1449** Off Road Ride Height Gauge. Fully adjustable from 15mm-45mm



**6985** Spring Hook Replacement Tip



**1553** Factory Team Slotted Screwdriver



**1552** Factory Team Phillips Screwdriver



**1554** Factory Team Spring Hook tool

**1551** Factory Team Slotted Screwdriver and Phillips Screwdriver Set



**1737** Factory Team Body Scissors