Thank you for purchasing this Team Associated product. This manual contains steps and instructions you will use to set up your gas truck. Please read this entire manual before attempting to start your gas truck. Follow the directions in this manual closely so you don't encounter any problems on start up. We hope that you will enjoy your new Team Asssociated gas truck kit.


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## TEAM GT KIT

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## GT RTR Plus

Already assembled!
Oil-filled shocks.
Associated dogbone rear axles.
Associated steel turnbuckles.
Painted truck body.
Stealth Transmission.
Also includes: . 15 Associated engine and quality $A M$ radio. New, stiffer chassis. Tuned pipe and manifold.

## REQUR:ED EOUPPWENT TO RUNYOUR KIT

for the RTR Plus \#7091:
Model car fuel.
12 AA size batteries.
Small tie wraps for the air filter.
YOU WILL NEED THESE TOOLS
Small Phillips screwdriver.

$5 / 16$ " driver or glow plug wrench.


## TOOLS SUPPLIED

Allen wrenches, .050", 1/16", 3/32", 5/64".


Molded tools (\#6956):

for the pull start version of Factory Team kit \#7061 Team Kit \#7067:

Glow plug starter.
Model car fuel.
Fuel bottle.
Receiver battery pack.
Glow plugs (AE \#MC-59).
R/C two channel surface frequency radio system with two servos.
.12 c.i. glow fuel R/C engine.

## YOU WILL NEED THESE TOOLS

TO ASSEMBLE YOUR KIT
(1) Phillips screwdriver \#2.
(2) $1 / 8$ " flat head screwdriver.
(3) $5 / 16$ " driver or glow plug wrench.
(4) Needlenose pliers.

5 Thread locking compound (\#242
(6) Blue Loctite© or equivalent) Super glue (cyanoacrylic glue).
$(7$ Hobby knife WARNING! This knife cuts plastic and fingers with equal ease, so be careful.
8
Precision ruler.
for the non pull start version of Factory Team kit \#7060 Team Kit \#7068:

Glow plug starter.
Model car fuel.
Fuel bottle.
Receiver battery pack.
Glow plugs (AE \#MC-59).
Starter box or electric hand starter with car starter donut
12 volt battery for starter system.
R/C two channel surface frequency radio system
with two servos.
12 c.i. glow fuel R/C engine.

## 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.

## TOOLS SUPPLIED

Allen wrenches, .050", 1/16", 3/32", 5/64".


Molded tools (\#6956):



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## READ THE MANUAL!

This manual is for three different GT kits and will help you assemble and set up each one. Read the manual before starting your kit and before contacting us for help. "Hello, Associated, I need some help." "Did you read the manual?" 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. Some bags may have a large amount of small parts. To make it easier to find the parts, we recommend using a partitioned paper plate for spreading out the parts so they will be easier to find.
SUPPLEMENTAL SHEETS
We are constantly updating parts to improve our kits. These changes, 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 following explains the format of these instructions.
The beginning of each section indicates:
1 Which bag to open ("BAG A") and which steps you'll be using those parts for ("FOR STEPS 1-3").
2 Which parts you will use for those steps. Remove only the parts shown. "1:1" indicates an actual size drawing; place your part on top and compare it so it does not get confused

3 Which tools you should have handy for that section.
4 An asterix ( * ) next to a part number indicates the part used in the Factory Team kits *7060 \& 7067. (You can use those numbers to upgrade your Team kit and RTR.)
5 The instructions in each step are ordered in the order you complete them, so read the words AND follow the pictures. The numbers in circles are also in the drawing to help you

6 When we refer to left and right sides of the truck, we are referring to the driver's point of view inside the car.


 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { O2002 Associated Ele } \\ \text { different GT kits and will help you } & \begin{array}{l}\text { MANUAL FORMAT } \\ \text { The following explains the format } \\ \text { The beginning of each section }\end{array} \\ \text { an one. Read the manual before } & \text { Which bag to open ("BAG A") and } \\ \text { using those parts for ("FOR STEPS }\end{array}$


REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Step 1


7531, qty 1 small flanged bushing
 large flanged bushing


9158, 9156B servo saver adjusting nut


9158, qty 1 servo saver spring


7531, qty 1 servo saver arm

7531, qty 1 servo saver arm

## step 1



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PARTS FOR:
Steps 2-4


7306, qty 1
long servo saver screw

## step 2

## SERVO SAVER ASSEMBLY

(1) Install the three \#6270 short ball ends into the servo saver arms as shown.
(2) Install the two \#6270 short ball ends into the \#7531 bellcrank as shown.
(3) Add the \#6272 foam dust covers to the ball ends.



7531, qty 1 servo saver bellcrank drag link

## $\operatorname{stg} 3$

SERVO SAVER ASSEMBLY
Snap the \#6265 drag link onto the two inner ball ends.

## step 4

## SERVO SAVER INSTALLATION

(1) Install the two \#7306 long and short servo saver screws into the chassis.
(2) Install the two \#8182 plain nuts onto the servo saver screws.
(3) Place the servo saver assembly over the two screws.
(4) Thread on two \#6222 nylon locknuts. Tighten the nuts down just enough to remove any play up and down in the assembly, but DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.

8182, qty 2 plain nut


6222, qty 2 nylon locknut


7306, qty 1
short servo saver screw




## BICB

REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR:
Steps 1-6


7206, qty 2 left and right front a-arms


7207, qty 1 front bulkhead

7208, qty 1 aluminum bulkhead support

7215, $7216^{*}$, qty 1 front shock tower


Step 2


6925, qty 2 4-40 x 1/2 SHCScrew 4-40 x 7/16 SHCScrew

6295, qty 2 plain nut


6936, qty 2 \#4 flat washer

7260, qty 2


6270, qty 2 short ball end


6272, qty 2 ball end dust cover


6927, qty 2 4-40 x 3/4 SHCScrew

TOOLS USED


## step 1

FRONT ARM ASSEMBLY
(1) Twist the \#7206 front suspension arms from the mold runners with your pliers. Trim away any remaining molding with your hobby knife.
(2) Align the left \#7206 front a-arm with the \#7207 front bulkhead. Now line up the \#7208 aluminum bulkhead support between the front side of the bulkhead and the aarm.
(3) Slide the \#7209 hinge pin through the front a-arm, arm support and bulkhead.
(4) Add the two \#6299 E-clips to the \#7209 hinge pin.
5 Repeat steps 2-4 for the right side.


## step 2

## FRONT SHOCK TOWER

(1) Install the two \#6927 screws through the outer holes on the \#7215 (7216*) front shock tower.
(2) Slide two \#6936 washers onto the screws. Then thread on the \#6295 large plain nuts.
(3) Attach the \#6270 ball end and \#7260 small plain nuts through the hole as shown.
(4) Add \#6272 foam dust covers to the ball ends.



## step 4

## ATTACH FRONT ASSEMBLY

(1) Attach the front end assembly to the 7769 chassis with two \#6280 (6942*) screws.
(2) Attach the front bumper with two \#6280 (6942*) screws.

## NOSE TUBE MOUNTS

(1)

Attach the \#7314 nose tube mounts with four \#7673 screws, the one marked "L" on the left and "R" on the right.


## step 5



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REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Step 6


7874, 7873*, qty 2 $4-40 \times 7 / 16$ screw


6932, 6933*, qty 2 $4-40 \times 5 / 16$ screw

## step 6

NOSE BRACE TUBES
(1) The \#7315 nose tube has threaded holes and non-threaded holes through its sides. Slide the \#7315 front nose tube's

unthreaded hole end through the front shock tower's oval shaped holes.
(2) Install one \#7874 (7873*) screw through the bulkhead and through the nose tube, but do not tighten it down all the way.
(3) Line up the back hole in the nose tube to the nose tube mount. Install one \#6932 screw from the outside as shown. Now tighten down the front screws.

7874, 7873*

y
threaded hol (1) 7315

BIGD REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR:
Step 1


7773, qty 4 6-32 x $3 / 8$ screw

6292, qty 2
4-40 x 3/8 screw


7770, qty 1 non pull start engine mount

7771, qty 1 pull start engine mount

TEAM/FT ONLY
7772, qty 1
transmission mount

TOOLS USED
$\sqrt{1 / 16 ", 5 / 64 "}$

## step 1

## ATTACH MOUNTS

(1) TEAM/FT: Attach the \#7770 or 7771 engine mount to the chassis with four \#7773 screws. RTR+: Attach the \#7771 engine mount to the chassis with four \#7773 screws.
ALL: Do not fully tighten down. You will tighten them down when you set your gear mesh.
(2) TEAM/FT: Attach the \#7772 transmission mount/ brace to the chassis with two \#6292 screws.


## BIGE

REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR:


6581, qty 12 large diff ball


6591, qty 1 Stealth lube


7664, qty 1 2.60:1 diff gear


TEAM/FT 6589, qty 1 $5 / 32 \times 5 / 16$ ball bearing unflanged


RTR+/TEAM BUILT 6597, qty 1 $5 / 32 \times 5 / 16$ bushing unflanged

TOOIS USED 5/64"

7667, qty 1 right outdrive hub

## step 1

SET UP DIFF GEAR
(1) Add a generous amount of \#6591 diff lube to the \#7664 differential gear holes and push the twelve large \#6581 diff balls into the holes. Then push back in the lube that came out.
(2) Insert one \#6589 bearing or \#6597 bushing into the gear.


TEAM/FT 6589 RTR+/TEAM BUILT 6597

## step 2

SET UP LEFT HUB
(1) Push the \#6582 spring and \#6575 T-nut into the \#7668 left outdrive.

## step 3

## SET UP RIGHT HUB

(1) Slide one \#6573 washer onto the \#6575 bolt.
(2) Apply a generous amount of \#6588 black grease to the washer on the side facing away from the bolt head.
(3) Place six \#6574 balls into grease against the \#6575 bolt and washer. Add the other \#6575 washer. The grease will hold the balls in place during assembly, sandwiched between the washers. See figure for installed view.
(4) Slide the thrust assembly into the \#7667 right outdirve hub, being careful not to lose any of the

## 5 balls.

 Insert the \#6575 bolt cover into the \#7667 outdrive.

BIGE
REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Steps 4-5

Step 4


TEAM/FT 6589, qty 1 $5 / 32 \times 5 / 16$ ball bearing unflanged


RTR+/TB 6597, qty 1 $5 / 32 \times 5 / 16$ bushing unflanged


6591, qty 1 Stealth lube

Step 5
TOOLS USED


6571, qty 1 driveshaft

7666, qty 2 diff drive ring

Step 5


7661, qty 1 transmission case, left \& right


7669, qty 2 spacer


6924, 6860*, qty 5 4-40 x 3/8 screw


7665, qty 1
roll pin


3976, qty 2
$3 / 8 \times 5 / 8$ ball bearing unflanged


3977, qty 4
$3 / 16 \times 3 / 8$ ball bearing unflanged

## step 4

## ASSEMBLE HUBS

(1) Insert one \#6589 bearing or \#6597 bushing into the \#7667 right outdrive.
(2) Add a light coat of \#6591 Stealth lube to the recessed area of the face.
(3) Place a \#7666 diff drive ring and then the gear assembly on the outdrive.
(4) Add a light coat of \#6591 Stealth lube to the \#7668 left outdrive recessed area of the face.
5 Place a \#7666 diff drive ring on the outdrive.
(6) Push the \#7668 left outdrive assembly against the other side of the gear.

## CHECK ALIGNMENT OF HUBS

7 Tighten the diff bolt with your 5/64 Allen wrench, but not completely.
8 Rotate the diff hubs several times as you are tightening the bolt to check proper alignment of the parts. READ STEPS 9-11 CAREFULLY.


## ADJUST THE DIFF

9 As you tighten the diff bolt, you will notice the T-nut ears moving closer to the bottom of the diff hub slot. This compreses the spring behind the T-nut. The spring should be fully compressed at the same time the T-nut reaches the end of the slot. CAUTION: Pay close attention to feeling when the spring is fully compressed. Do not overtighten the bolt.
10 When you feel the spring fully compressed, loosen the diff bolt 1/8 of a turn. No more, no less. Your diff should feel smooth when turning the hubs in opposite directions.
11 After you have driven the truck once, recheck the diff adjustment.

## step 5

## ASSEMBLE THE TRANSMISSION

(1) Install the two \#3977 bearings into the \#7661 left transmission case. Install one \#3976 bearing into the \#7661 left transmission case.
(2) Add the \#7669 spacer to the \#6571 driveshaft and put both into the left case.
3 nstall the left side of the diff assembly and \#6570 idler gear into the left case.
(4) Install the second \#7669 spacer to the driveshaft.


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7554, 7561B*, qty brake adapter

## REMOVE THESE

 PARTS FOR: Steps 1-4

9251, qty 1 inner torque clutch hub

7553, qty 1 brake disc

Step 2


6599, qty 1 $3 / 16 \times 3 / 8$ bushing unflanged



6594, qty 2 thin washer silver color


6594, qty 1 thick spacer gold color

Step 3

7551, qty 1 brake bracket



6587, qty 1 torque control spring
outer hub


9253, qty 1 clutch disc

9252, qty 1


6629, qty 1
$5-40$ locknut

-40 locknut

Step 4


7552, qty 1 6919, qty 2 brake shoe
 $4-40 \times 5 / 16$ screw


4145*, qty 2
$4-40 \times 5 / 16$ screw

## step 1

## ASSEMBLE BRAKE ADAPTER

(1) Install the \#7554 (7561B*) brake adapter onto the \#9251 inner torque clutch hub with the notches lining up.
(2) Install the \#7553 brake disc onto the \#7554 brake adapter.
(3) Slide the brake disc assembly onto the \#6571 driveshaft, lining up the pin with the notches on the hub and brake adapter.


## step 2

## ASSEMBLE TORQUE CONTROL

(1) Install the \#9253 clutch disc into the inner hub, then add the \#9252 outer hub and \#6599 bushing.
(2) Install parts in the following order: \#6594 thin silver washer, \#6594 thick gold spacer, \#6594 thin silver washer and \#6587 black spring.
(3) Thread on the \#6629 locknut and tighten it down so the end of the shaft is flush with the end of the nut.

## step 3

## BRAKE BRACKET

(1) Slide the \#7552 brake shoe onto the \#7551 brake bracket so that the side with the rounded notch in the center is on the same side as the matching notch in the brake bracket.

## stop 4

## INSTALL BRAKE BRACKET

(1) Slide the brake bracket assembly onto the transmission. Make sure the brake disc is centered between the brake bracket and brake shoe as shown.
(2) Secure the bracket to the transmission as shown, using two \#6919 (4145*, different head type than shown in figure) screws in the top holes of the brake


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REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Steps 5-7



TOOLS USED

7663, qty 1 spur gear 66 tooth, 32 pitch


RTR+ ONLY 7772, qty 1 transmission mount

## $\operatorname{stg} 5$

## INSTALL BRAKE CAM

(1) Push the \#7555 disc brake cam through the hole on the top side of the bracket and then through the hole in the lower end of the bracket. Make sure the brake cam is facing out.
(2) WARNING: The brake cam clips are designed to be installed and not easily removed. Take your time and do it right.
Install the \#7556 brake cam clip onto the cam until it almost touches the brake bracket. Make sure the clip is put on with the raised center hole away from the bracket.


## step 6

INSTALL SPUR GEAR
(1) Slide the \#7663 spur gear onto the outer slipper hub, with the gear's flat side out.
(2) Tighten down the spur gear with two \#6568 screws.


## step 1

## MOUNT

TRANSMISSION
TEAM/FT: Mount your transmission with four \#6292 (6934*) screws through the chassis and two \#7672 screws through the chassis and mount.


## MOUNT

TRANSMISSION
RTR+ ONLY: Mount
your transmission with four \#6292 screws through the chassis and two \#7672 screws through the chassis and \#7772 mount.

## RTR+

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REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Steps 1-4


6273, qty 2 long ball end

6272, qty 2 dust cover



6924, 6860*, qty 4
$4-40 \times 3 / 8$ screw


7670, qty 1 transmission brace

Step 3


6924, 6860*, qty 4 7260, qty 2 $4-40 \times 3 / 8$ screw
 plain nut


6927, qty 2
$4-40 \times 3 / 4$ screw


7654, 7656*, qty 1 rear shock tower

## step 1

## SET UP REAR BULKHEAD

(1) Install the \#6273 long ball ends into the lower inner holes on the \#7526 rear bulkhead. Thread \#7260 plain nuts on the opposite side.
(2) Add \#6272 foam dust covers to the ball ends.
(3) Attach the rear bulkhead to the chassis with two \#6280 (6942*) screws.

(1) Mount the \#7670 transmission brace to the rear bulkhead and transmission with four \#6924 (6860*) screws.


## step 3

INSTALL REAR SHOCK TOWER
(1) Install the \#6927 screws into the inner holes of the \#7654 (7656*) rear shock tower. Then thread on the \#7260 plain nuts.
(2) Attach the \#7654 rear shock tower to the rear bulkhead with four \#6924 (6860*) screws.


REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR:


7356 , qty 2 rear inner hinge pin

7652, qty 2 rear arm mount $3^{\circ}$ toe-in/ $2^{\circ}$ anti-squat

Step 2


7260, qty 2 plain nut


7529, qty 1 rear bumper


6922, qty 2
4-40 x 1/2 screw
$\operatorname{step} 1$

## ASSEMBLE REAR A-ARMS

1 Twist the \#7354 rear suspension arms from the mold runners with pliers and trim away any remaining molding with your hobby knife.
(2) Attach the \#7354 left rear a-arm to the \#7652 left rear arm mount with one \#7356 hinge pin.
(3) Add \#6299 E-clips to both ends of the hinge pin.
(4) Attach the \#7657 a-arm shock mount to the rear a-arm with two \#6925 (7873*) screws.
5 Do the right a-arm.


## MOUNT REAR A-ARMS \& REAR BUMPER

(1) Attachrear bumper to the chassis with two \#6922 screws. Tighten only until they are flush with the top of the bumper.
(2) Attach the left rear arm assembly to the chassis with two \#7775 screws.
(3) Attach the right rear arm assembly to the chassis with two 7775 screws.
(4) Finish tightening the bumper screws.

Add two \#7260 nuts to the top of the screws.


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REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Steps 1-4


7377, qty 2 spacer



6381, qty 2 rear outer hinge pin


TEAM/FT 7381, qty 2 coupling


TEAM/FT 7381, qty 2 set screw

7361, qty 2 dogbone


7368, qty 4 thin shim


6588, qty 1
black grease

6466, qty 2
$1 / 8$ " spacer

-
bease



3977, qty 4 $3 / 16 \times 3 / 8$ ball bearing unflanged

TEAM/FT
7379, qty 2 MIP CVD bone


7365, qty 2
hub carrier


TEAM/FT
7381, qty 2
cross pin


## IR IF YOU HAVE THE TEAM or FT, FOLLOW STEPS 1-2 ONLY. IF YOU HAVE THE RTR+ FOLLOW STEP 3 ONLY. IF YOU HAVE THE TEAM-BUILT, FOLLOW STEP 4 ONLY.

## step 1

## TEAM/FT ONLY: ASSEMBLE MIP CVD'S

(1) Spread some \#6588 Associated black grease inside the \#7380 axle hole where shown, then on the \#7381 coupling. Slide the coupling into the axle.
(2) Slide the axle into the \#7379 dogbone, aligning the cross holes.

3 Insert the \#7381 cross pin, spacing it evenly on both sides of the bone.
(4) Add the \#7383 MIP thread lock to the \#7381 set screw. Angle and turn the CVD so the set screw can be screwed in with the Allen wrench.
5 Repeat steps 1-4 for the remaining CVD.
6 Slide one \#7368 thick shim onto the \#7380 axle. Slide one \#3977 unflanged bearing onto the axle. Push the CVD assembly into the back of the \#7367 rear hub carrier.
7 Slide one \#7377 spacer into the hub carrier from the front followed by the second \#3977 bearing.
(8) Slide two \#7368 thin shims onto the axle. Install the \#7369 drive pin with your needlenose pliers.
9 Assemble the other hub carrier. 12


## $\operatorname{step} 2$ TENW/T

TEAM/FT ONLY: MOUNT REAR HUB CARRIERS
(1) Place the left rear hub carrier assembly and one \#6466 spacer between the arm
holes as shown. The spacer is on the back side of the hub carrier, shortening the wheelbase.
(2) Install the \#6381 hinge pin through the arm and hub carrier. Install two \#6299 E-clips.
3 Mount the right side.


## step3 RTili 0 OIV

## RTR ONLY: ASSEMBLE REAR AXLES

(1) Install a \#3977 bearing into both ends of the \#7365 hub carrier.
(2) Push the \#7378 axle into the hub carrier.
(3) Slide two \#7368 shims onto the axle. Install the \#7369 drive pin into the axle with your needle nose pliers, making sure to center the pin onto the axle.
(4) Push a \#5407 O-ring into the hub carrier, then slide the \#7361 dogbone in.
(5) Push the second \#5407 O-ring into the outdrive. Slide the dogbone and hub carrier assembly into the outdrive.
(6) Place the hub carrier assembly and one \#6466 spacer in between the arm holes as shown. The spacer is on the back side of the hub carrier, which pushes the hub carrier forward, shortening the wheelbase.
7 Push the \#6381 hinge pin through the arm, spacer and hub carrier. Install two \#6299 Eclips.
8 Assemble and mount the other side.



## step 4 TEIM BUITI

## TEAM BUILT: ASSEMBLE REAR AXLES

(1) Push one \#3977 bearing into the front of the \#7367 hub carrier.
(2) Slide a \#7377 spacer into rear of \#7367 hub carrier.
(3) Push one \#3977 bearing into the hub carrier
(4) Push the \#7378 axle into the hub carrier.
(5) Slide two \#7368 thin shims onto the axle. Install the \#7369 drive pin with your needlenose pliers and center both ends outside.
(6) Push a \#5407 O-ring into the stub axle, then the \#7381 dogbone.
(7) Push the second \#5407 O-ring into the outdrive, then the dogbone and hub carrier assembly into the outdrive.
(8) Place the hub carrier assembly and one \#6466 spacer between the arm holes as shown. The spacer is on the back side of the hub carrier, which pushes the hub carrier closer to the front axle, shortening the wheelbase.


(9) Install the \#6381 hinge pin through arm and hub carrier. Install two \#6299 E-clips.
10 Assemble and mount the other side.

## BIG

Step 1
7253, 1408*, qty 6
turnbuckle


Step 2


6926, qty 2
$4-40 \times 5 / 8$
7217, qty 2 pivot ball


7260, qty 2 plain nut


## TURNBUCKLE SETUP

(1) Twist the \#6274 ball cups onto the \#7253 steel turnbuckle (\#1408* blue titanium turnbuckle) until you get the dimension shown for each part of the front turnbuckles.
(2) Twist the \#6274 ball cups and the \#7217 eyelet onto the \#7253 steel turnbuckle (\#1408* blue titanium turnbuckle) until you get the dimension shown for each rear turnbuckle.
(3) Now install the \#7217 eyelet pivot balls into the eyelets.


## BIGK

REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Steps 1-2


6924, 6860*, qty 2 6285, 6284*, qty 2 7323, qty 2 7323, qty 2 $4-40 \times 3 / 8$ screw $4-40 \times 1 / 4$ screw 7323, qty 2 rear body post rear body mount

## step 1

## FRONT BODY MOUNTS

(1) Install the two \#7319 front body mounts onto the \#7318 front body mount brace with two \#6918 screws as shown.
(2) Now install the front body mount brace assembly to the front bulkhead with two \#6924 (6860*) screws. Make sure the body mounts are pointing up as shown.


## REAR BODY MOUNTS

(1) Attach the \#7323 small round posts to the \#7323 rear body mounts with two \#6285 (6284*) screws.
(2) Push the pegs of the rear body mounts into the lower holes from the back of the tower.
(3) Screw the \#6924 (6860*) screws into the middle hole from the front of the tower to secure them.


## BIGL

REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR:

Step 1

6465, qty 2 shock piston \#1



6440, qty 4 split locking washer small spacer


6440, qty 8
6465, qty 2 shock piston \#2


RTR+/TEAM BUILT 6424B, qty 2 TEAM/FT 6436, qty 2 blue 1.32 rear shock body 1.02 front shock body

RTR+/TEAM BUILT 6425B, qty 2
blue 1.02 front shock body


6440, qty 4 large spacer


6429, qty 1 shock assembly tool

TEAM/FT 6435, qty 2
1.32 rear shock body


## REMOVE SHOCK PARTS

(3) Remove the \#6440 shock parts from the molding tree carefully so no part of the molding runner remains. It is safer to remove a tiny amount of the shock part than to risk the chance of a burr remaining on the part. Short blade scissors or a hobby knife will work.


5407, qty 8 red O-ring

## step 1

## TRIM SHOCK PISTONS

(1) Burrs interfere with smooth shock action within the shock body. To remove from tree without creating burrs, twist up, not down. Remove two each of \#1 and \#2.
2 Remove remaining burrs carefully with hobby knife.



## step 2

(1) Install the shock parts onto the \#6429 shock tool as shown. One shock clip (split locking washer), one thin spacer, one red O-ring, one thick spacer, one red O-ring, and one thin spacer.
(2) Remove the \#5422 oil and add 3-4 drops to the inside of the shock body and to the seal parts.
(3) Insert the tool and the seal parts into the shock body all the way. Push easily until the parts snap into place.

(4) Check the tool height in fig. 2-4. The left shock shows just before snapping into place, the right shows after.
5 Assemble the remaining shocks the same way. If your shocks do not snap together easily, check the internal parts for burrs again.


## DISMANTLING SHOCK PARTS

Here is how to dismantle the shocks when it's rebuild time. Put the shock assembly tootip into thebottom the shock until it rests against the small washer as shown, then push to unclip the shock clip (split



6469, qty 4 large O-ring
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6459, 6417*, qty 2
1.02 front shock shaft


6458, 6416*, qty 2 1.32 rear shock shaft

6299, qty 8
7217, qty 4



6465, qty 2 shock piston \#1 (for rear shocks)


6465, qty 2 shock piston \#2 (for front shocks)

## step 3

## ASSEMBLE SHOCKS

(1) Install the \#6469 large O-ring over the thread of each shock body.
(2) On the \#6459 (6417*) front shock shaft, install a \#6299 E-clip on both sides of the \#6465 (\#2) piston from step \#1.
(3) On the \#6458 (6416*) rear shock shaft, install a \#6299 E-clip on both sides of a \#6465 (\#1) piston from step \#1.
(4) Insert the shock shaft assemblies into the shock bodies.
(5) Push the \#7217 pivot ball and eyelet together.

6 As you hold the shaft with a rag and needlenose pliers next to the threads, screw the eyelet onto the end of each shock shaft.


## step 4

## FILLING THE SHOCKS

(1) Holding the shocks upright, fill with oil to the top of the shock body.
(2) Slowly move the shaft up and down several times to allow air bubbles to escape to the top.
(3) Refill with oil to the top of the shock body.
(4) Push the shaft in until the piston is level with top of shock body. The oil will slightly bulge up above the shock body.
5 Fill the \#6428 shock cap about halfway with oil and install it onto the body. Try to retain as much oil as possible during assembly. The shaft will extend out as you tighten the cap down.

## SETTING THE REBOUND

(6) Move the shock shaft in and out a few times and then push it all the way in. It should be easy to push the shaft in until the eyelet hits the body.
$(7$ Then the shaft should push itself out approximately $1 / 4$ " to $3 / 8$ " ( $6.3 \mathrm{~mm}-9.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ ").
8 If the shock does not push out this far, there is not enough oil in this far, there is not enough oil in
them. Add just a little oil and try steps 6-7 again.
(9) If the shocks push out farther than the distance in step seven, or you cannot push the shaft in until the eyelet hits the body, there is too much oil. Loosen the cap a half turn (with the shaft extended) and pump out a small amount of oil by pushing the shaft in. Retighten the cap and try steps 6-7 again.
 you cannot push the shaft in until路


1/4" to 3/8" (6.3mm - 9.5 mm ")


8846, qty 2-1/32", 2-1/16", 4-1/8", 2-1/4" preload spacers

6475, qty 4 spring collar


6472, qty 4 nylon locknut

7429, qty 2
6480, qty 2 rear green spring TEAM BUILT 6478, qty 2 rear silver spring
front blue spring
TEAM BUILT
7428, qty 2
front siver spring

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## FINISH SHOCKS

(1) Slide one \#8846 1/32", one $1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ and one $1 / 4$ " preload spacer onto the rear shock body.
(2) Slide one \#8846 1/16" and one 1/8" preload spacer onto the front shock body.
(3) Slide on the \#6475 spring collar, then \#6480 green springs on the rear shocks, and \#7429 blue springs on the front shocks.
(4) Compress the springs to add the \#6475 spring cup.

(3)

REAR SPRING: 6480 green TEAM BUILT: 6478 silver

FRONT SPRING: 7429 blue TEAM BUILT: 7428 silver


## step 6

## MOUNT FRONT

 SHOCKS(1) Add the \#6473 shock bushings to the front shock tower.
(2) Push the shock cap over the bushing and add the \#6472 nylon locknut. Do not bind the cap; allow some free play.
(3) Fasten the lower shock into the outer hole in the arm with a \#6925 screw.
4 Do the other front shock.

## step 1

## MOUNT REAR SHOCKS

(1) Add the \#6473 shock bushings to the rear shock tower.
(2) Push the shock cap over the bushing and add the \#6472 nylon locknut. Do not bind the cap; allow some free play.
(3) Fasten the lower shock into the outer hole on the shock mount with a \#6925 screw.
4 Do the other rear shock.



6270, qty 1 short ball end


6272, qty 1 ball end dust cover


7337, qty 4 small washer


9180, qty 1 servo horn


6292, 6934*, qty 4 $4-40 \times 3 / 8$ screw


6274, qty 2 ball cup


6261, 1401*, qty 1 turnbuckle, 1.300"


OR
(Choose depending on servo. See SPACER column)

TOOIS US:D

7336, qty 27336 , qty 2
servo mount offset spacer


6932, $4145^{*}$, qty $46924,6860^{*}$, qty 4 $4-40 \times 5 / 16$ screw $\quad 4-40 \times 3 / 8$ screw

## step 1

## SERVO TYPE

SPACER
SERVO ARM

## ADD MOUNTS AND HORN TO THE SERVO

(1) You'll find four servo horns with letters molded in. Find the appropriate \#9180 servo horn for your servo from the chart at right. Install the \#6270 ball end into the servo horn. Add the \#6272 dust cover. Remove the servo horn from your servo and replace it with the \#9180 horn that you selected, then fasten with the stock mounting screw that came with your servo so it points straight up.
(2) Find the appropriate \#7336 offset spacer for your servo from the chart at right. Attach the spacer, if any, in between the \#7336 mount and the servo with the \#7337 washers and


## step 2

## MOUNT THE SERVO

(1) Mount the steering servo to the chassis with two \#6292 (6934*) screws.
(2) Twist \#6274 ball cups onto the \#6261 (1401*) turnbuckle until you get the dimension shown.
(3) Use needlenose pliers to attach the link to the ball ends.



6932, 4145*, qty 4 4-40 $\times 5 / 16$ screw


6936, qty 4 washer

7527, qty 2 throttle ser mount


7673, 6933*, qty 6 $4-40 \times 5 / 16$ screw

528, qty 1 antenna/receiver mount

3720, qty 4
tie wrap
(wire tie)

6727, qty 1
servo tape

## step 3

## THROTTLE/BRAKE SERVO INSTALLATION

(1) Mount the \#7527 throttle servo mounts to the chassis with four \#7673 (6933*) screws. The small extensions on the side of the mounts face toward the chassis edge.
(2) Now take your throttle servo and mount it in between the two \#7527 throttle servo mount with four \#6936 aluminum washers and four \#6932 (4145*) screws. Make sure the output shaft is to the rear when the

## step 4

## MOUNT RECEIVER

(1)

Stick on the small rectangular piece of \#6727 servo tape to the \#7528 antenna/receiver mount.
(2) the mount.
3 Stick your receiver onto the mount.
(4) Mount your receiver assembly to the chassis with two \#7673 (6933*) screws.

5 Add two large \#3720 plastic wire ties around the receiver and mount. Tighten down and snip off excess
(6) Feed your antenna wire through your \#6338 antenna tube. Insert the tube into the mount where shown. Add the black \#6338 cap to the top of your antenna.


## CONNECT WIRING

(1) Plug your steering servo plug into channel \#1 of your receiver.
(2) Plug your throttle servo plug into channel \#2 of your receiver. (If your servos are made by different manufacturers, then check your documentation to make sure you don't have incompatibility problems.)
(3) Plug your switch/receiver pack plug into the battery plug in your receiver.
(4) Run the wires over the top of the transmission braces and secure it with a wire tie. Route your wires neatly to prevent them from being damaged.
(5) Attach your switch to the rear shock tower.
(6) Attach the \#7530 black foam pad to your rear bumper. Cut out the parts of the foam pad where the wire ties are going to go.
7 Install your batteries into your receiver pack and place it into the rear bumper.
(8) Install the two tie wraps around the receiver pack and through the bumper. Cut off the excess.


REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Step 1

5407, qty 3 red O-ring

7673, 6933*, qty 3 $4-40 \times 5 / 16$ screw


7719, qty 1 fuel tank

## step 1

## MOUNT FUEL TANK

(1) Push the \#7673 (6933*) screws through the bottom of the chassis and place a \#5407 red O-ring on each screw.
(2) Push the \#7720 tank onto the screws and tighten the screws just enough to slightly compress the O-rings so the fuel tank cannot move around.


## Bind

## REMOVE THESE

 PARTS FOR: Steps 1-3

7618, qty 1 spacer (silver)


7560, qty 1 ball end

7560, qty 1 small plain nut


7620, qty 1 cutoff nut

flywheel, qty 1
7610 (non pull start)
OR 7612 (pull start)

## step 1

## GAS ENGINE INSTALLATION

We can now install your standard format .12ci engine. There are engines with displacements of .12 ci to .15 ci which fit into the GT. If your engine is a standard . 12 crank and side exhaust design it should fit into the GT. WARNING! It is the responsibility of the buyer to verify that the engine chosen will work in the GT.
(1) Remove the carburetor from the engine. Loosen the nut or clamp bolt behind the carburetor.
(2) Use the wrench supplied in your motor box to loosen your high speed mixture screw. Turn the valve assembly until the fuel line fitting is facing the direction shown, then retighten the valve assembly.
(3) Attach one \#7560 2-56 ball end and one \#7560 2-56 plain nut into the lower hole in the throttle arm pivot. If the hole is too small for the ball end, drill it out with a \#43 (.0890) or a $3 / 32$ drill bit if you are careful. WARNING! The throttle pivot arm is very small and can be easily damaged. Use extreme care when drilling the hole. We recommend using a threadlock on the threads to keep the nut from coming loose due to engine vibrations.
(4) Reinstall the carburetor to the engine and tighten the clamp nut or the mounting screws. You want to have the carb perpendicular to the crankshaft.


## If your engine is a:

DYNAMITE ENGINE-
start at Step 5 ASSOC. OR THUNDER TIGER ENGINE $\rightarrow$ start at Step 6 O.S., TOP, NOVAROSSI OR PICCO $\rightarrow$ start at Step 2

## step 2

## O.S., TOP, NOVAROSSI OR PICCO

## CUTTING THE CRANK

Items needed:

- Dremel tool.
- Fiber reinforced cutoff wheel. WARNING! For your own safety, we recommend using only the fiber reinforced wheels, not the cutoff stones. The cutoff stones can shatter and cause injury.
- Safety glasses or goggles.

Install the fiber reinforced cutoff wheel on the Dremel tool and put on your safety glasses.

On the gas engine install one \#7618 or \#7617 spacer, one \#7618 collet, and your \#7610 or \#7612 flywheel. The flywheel will fit over the collet (they are a tapered wedge fit). Now install the \#7620 cutoff nut so the threaded end is away from the flywheel.
(3) Place the engine inside the plastic bag supplied to you in the sub bag. Push the end of the crankshaft through the plastic bag until the end of the crankshaft and the special cutoff nut protrude through the bag. Make sure the hole is tight around these parts to prevent metal shavings from going into the engine.

4
Take your time to do this step. Cut the crankshaft flush with the end of the special cutoff nut using your Dremel tool. Don't slip and damage the flywheel clutch pin while cutting. WARNING! Never work with a power tool without wearing safety glasses or goggles! Make sure all parts of your body and any clothing are away from the Dremel tool and the cutting area to prevent injury. the part. Then remove the engine from the bag. Unthread the special cutoff nut, remove the flywheel, collet spacer and collet. Take the \#7603 clutch nut and see if the clutch nut will thread onto the crankshaft easily. If not, then put your motor again into the plastic bag to protect it from metal shavings, with the cranshaft sticking out, and file or grind the crankshaft a little from the top of the first threads. Do not damage the threads.


## step 3

## FLYWHEEL ASSEMBLY <br> This step is only for standard engines which needed the crankshaft cut.

(1) Reinstall one \#7618 collet spacer followed by one \#7618 collet.
(2) Install the \#7610 or 7612 flywheel followed by the \#7603 clutch nut. Tighten the clutch nut securely down, locking the flywheel to the collet. Get it as tight as you can.


7618, qty 1 collet


7602, qty 1
clutch nut (Dynamite engine)

flywheel, qty 1 7610 (non pull start) OR 7612 (pull start)

TOOLS USED


## 2

flywheel
7610 (non pull start)
7612 (pull start)


## step 4

## DYNAMITE ENGINES only

FLYWHEEL ASSEMBLY
(1) Install two \#7618 collet spacers followed by one \#7618 collet.
(2) Install the \#7610 or \#7612 flywheel followed by the \#7602 special clutch nut. Tighten the clutch nut securely down, locking the flywheel to the collet. Get it as tight as you can.
3 Continue to Step 5 for Clutch Assembly.


## step 5

## CLUTCH ASSEMBLY

(1) Install your \#7601 clutch shoes on the clutch pins on the flywheel as shown.
(2) Install one \#6902 flanged bearing followed by the \#7605 15 tooth clutch bell and the second \#6902 flanged bearing.
(3) Install the \#2661 clutch nut E-clip where shown.

4 Continue to Step 7.


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## ASSOC. \& THUNDER TICER Only

## FLYWHEEL ASSEMBLY

(1) Install one \#7618 collet spacer followed by one \#7618 collet.
(2) Install the \#7610 or \#7612 flywheel followed by the stock flywheel nut supplied with your engine. Tighten the nut securely down, locking the flywheel to the collet. Get it as tight as you can.

## CLUTCH ASSEMBLY

Install your \#7601 clutch shoes on the clutch pins on the flywheel as shown.
(4) Install one stock shim \#7368 that came with your engine, one \#6902 flanged bearing, followed by the \#7605 15 tooth clutch bell, and the second \#6902 flanged bearing. Install the second stock shim \#7368.
5 Install the \#2661 clutch nut E-clip where shown.
6 Continue to Step 7.

(3) The clutch shoes should be facing this direction when installed.


## BAGO

REMOVE THESE PARTS FOR: Steps 7-8
 $4-40 \times 1 / 2$ screw

7557, qty 1 throttle pivot


7560, qty 1
7558, qty 1 throttle pivot clip throttle ball cup

7560, qty 2 throttle rod, brake rod


TOOLS USED

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.050", 3/32"
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## step 1

## ENGINE INSTALLATION

(1) Line up your engine with the clutch assembly and flywheel assembly in your engine mount. Center your engine on your mount. Now fasten the motor to the mount with four \#6925 screws. Do not tighten yet.


## GEAR MESH

(2) Now we set the spur gear-to-pinion gear spacing, otherwise known as "gear mesh." Make sure you can still slide your engine mount, then mesh the clutch bell pinion with the spur gear. The correct gear spacing is when the pinion is as close to the spur gear as possible, but if you hold the pinion gear, you should still be able to rock the spur gear back and forth slightly with light pressure. Roll the gears and check the mesh in several different locations on the spur gear teeth to check if the spur gear is slightly out of round.


## IF YOU HAVE A SLIDE CARB, SKIP STEP 8 AND USE THE

 SLIDE CARB LINKAGE SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET
## step 8

## THROTTLE LINKAGE

(1) may have to trim away a part of your stock servo horn so the locking collar for the brake linkage in Step 9 won't hit it.)
(2) Mount the \#7557 aluminum throttle pivot to the \#7559 adapter with the \#7558 throttle pivot clip, with the clip's inner teeth flaring away from the
(3) adapter.

Screw one \#7560 ball cup onto the end of the \#7560 throttle rod. Slide on one \#7560 collar about an inch away from the ball cup and tighten it down

Slide on the \#7560 long throttle spring. Slide the throttle rod through the throttle pivot, then slide on and fasten the second \#7560 collar to the rod so there is about one inch (xxmm) of space between collars.
Attach the servo horn adapter assembly to your servo horn with the two \#3721 screws provided. See photo for proper orientation of adapter to your servo.
Snap the ball cup onto the carb's ball end.
7 Cut off the remaining part of the throttle rod. Make sure you leave $1 / 2$ inch $(12.7 \mathrm{~mm})$ so you can adjust the throttle linkage.


7560 locknu


BRAKE LINKAGE \#7560 collar onto the second rod and secure it about $3 / 8$ " $(9.53 \mathrm{~mm})$ from the end of the threads. See drawing below. the angled bend at the short side. Cut the rod to the length shown. Slide the threaded end of the rod through the disc brake cam. Drop the bent end of the brake rod through the adapter hole shown. Attach a \#7560 collar with a \#6591 set screw to the end of the rod.
(4) Slide on another 7560 collar with \#6951 set screw, a \#7560 washer, then the \#4118 spring, then the \#7560 locknut. Tighten the locknut down until shown in the picture.

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(2)

FULL THROTTLE

(2) Apply full throttle (pull the trigger of your transmitter all the way back). Your carb should be fully open. If it is not, then adjust the collar nearest to the adapter. (You may also adjust your throttle trim according to your radio's instructions.)

3
Now apply the brake. Your carb should be at idle position. The spring should not be completely compressed.

## (3

BRAKE APPLIED



## ADJUST THE BRAKE LINKAGE

(4) With no pressure on the throttle trigger (at idle), adjust the brake nut and spring so that the brake is applied slightly. You can test this by turning the spur gear. The spur gear will have some resistance to being turned. Also, keep about 1/16" (1.58mm) gap between the collar and disc brake cam at idle.

(5) Now pull the throttle. The brake should disengage immediately. You do not want the brakes to be engaged while the carb is open or you'll damage the engine.


## step 9

## MANIFOLD AND MUFFLER (TUNED PIPE) INSTALLATION

 (7750*) pull start manifold to the engine with the \#7734 gasket in between. Use the appropriate \#6928 or \#7738 screws for your engine. Different engines use different size screws to hold the manifold on. Tighten down the screws. Slide the \#7733 silicone tubing about half way onto the exhaust manifold.Cut off $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ length of your fuel tubing. Slide it onto your exhaust bracket as shown in photo below.
Slip the \#7728 bracket onto the \#7730 (7742*), 7777 muffler so the eyelet is away from the exhaust nozzle. Now slide the muffler into the other end of the \#7733 exhaust tubing.
Rotate the muffler bracket so the eyelet lines up with the 5 hole in the chassis and the exhaust nozzle is pointing as shown. Push the \#6292 screw up through the chassis then install the bracket over the threads. Now install the \#3216 washer and one \#6242 locknut.
Now install two \#3719 nylon
wire ties onto the exhaust tubing and secure one on the manifold side and one on the muffler side. Pull tight and then cut off the end of the wire ties.


## step 10

## FUEL TUBING

(1) Slide one end of the \#7724 fuel tubing onto the fuel tank. Bring the other end of the tubing over to the carb fitting. When you have the correct length without kinks in the tubing or rubbing against other parts of the truck, then mark the fuel tubing and cut it to that length. Again check to make sure the fuel line clears the spur gear or any other parts.
(2) Cut a new piece of tubing 6-7 inches and install the tubing into the fitting on the top of the fuel tank.
(3) Coil the tubing as shown and put a small \#7709 wire tie round it. Tighten the wire tie, but not so tight that it will begin to compress the tubing. Cut off the end of the wire tie.
Now take the end of the tubing and squeeze it into the hole in the \#7730 tuned pipe muffler about 3/8."


## BMO

## REMOVE THESE

 PARTS FOR:Step 11


7706, qty 1 paper filter element


7708, qty 1 rubber boot


7707, qty 1 foam prefilter

7709, qty 2
wire tie (tie wrap)
light duty

## step 11

## AIR FILTER

(1) Install the open ended part of the \#7706 paper filter element into a groove in the \#7708 rubber boot.
(2) Take one small wire tie and secure the filter to the boot.

3 Apply Associated's \#7710 Foam Pre-Filter Treatment to help keep the dirt out. Dab the treatment all around the filter, put the filter in a plastic sandwich bag, and knead it until the filter is saturated, but not soaked. element as shown.
Attach the air filter assembly to your carb with one small wire tie, the cut off the wire tie excess.


7803, qty 2 rear wheel 1 piece


7842, qty 2 7880, qty 4 front wheel foam tire insert 1 piece


7824, qty 2 rear tire rear tire


TEAM BUILT 7825, qty 2 Team Built rear tire


TEAM BUILT
7843, qty 2


Pro-Line front wheel
1 piece


TEAM BUILT
7878, qty 2 Team Built front tire

7804, qty 2
Pro-Line rear wheel 1 piece


TEAM BUILT

6222, qty 2 6-40/5-40 locknut
1:1


## REAR WHEELS AND TIRES

 wheel.(2) Make sure the \#7880 foam insert is centered in the \#7824 or 7825 tire.
(3) Install the tire onto the wheel. Glue the tire to the wheel with cyanoacrylic glue in four spots around the tire on both sides. WARNING: Follow the adhesive instructions for proper use and safety. Wear eye and hand protection.
(4) Install the wheel assembly onto the axle, lining up the roll pin with the slot in the wheel. Thread on the \#3438 locknut.
5 Finish the second rear wheel and tire.

## FRONT WHEELS AND TIRES

## 1

Make a 1/8" hole in the \#7842 or 7843 wheel. Make sure the \#7880 foam insert is centered in the \#7877 or 7878 tire.
(3) Install the tire onto the wheel. Glue the tire to the wheel with cyanoacrylic glue in four spots around the tire on both sides.
Insert the \#3977 bearings into both sides of the front wheel.
Install the wheel assembly onto the axle. Thread on the \#6222 locknut.
6
Finish the second front wheel and tire.

(3)


Put "V" grooves toward outside


## step 2

TEAM/FT: BODY MOUNTING
(1) Trim the \#6155 body where shown.
(2) Mask off your design and spray-paint the inside of the body with Lexan-safe paint such as Pactra. (Other paints may not adhere to the Lexan.)
(3) Cut openings in the body where shown.
(4) Remove, trim and paint the Lexan spoiler.
(5) Attach the spoiler to the rear as shown with two \#6919 screws and \#6222 locknuts.
(6) Secure the body to the chassis with four \#6332 body clips.


## MAKE THESE ADJUSTMENTS BEFORE RACING

One of several recommended racing fuels: O'Donnell Racing fuel

## MODEL CAR FUEL

The proper fuel is very important for long engine life. Improper fuel can cause hard starting, poor performance, and excessive wear on the engine. The fuels we recommend for R/C car use are: O'Donnell Racing fuel, Duratrax Red Alert fuel, Blue Thunder Race Formula, FSR fuel, Trinity, Byron's Originals, and Traxxas Top Fuel. There are many other racing fuels, however, they must meet two requirements.

1) The fuel must contain at least $18 \%$ of both castor and synthetic oils.
2) You should try to keep the nitro (nitromethane) between $10 \%$ to $20 \%$. The best fuels also contain rust and corrosion inhibitors, anti wear agents, anti foaming agents and lubrication additives.
3) IMPORTANT: DO NOT use any type of airplane fuels. Airplane fuels may not have the necessary oil types and ratios needed for $R / C$ cars.

## GETTING THE RADIO READY

Read your radio instructions that come in the box with your radio. You should understand the operation of your transmitter. Place eight of your AA cells in the transmitter, and put four more in the receiver pack, at the rear end of the truck.

It is important that all of the AA radio batteries are strong or fully charged. Always check the path and the condition of the battery pack wires as well as the switch wires. A melted wire can cause a short circuit and lead to a loss of control. Large metal objects such as chain link fences, light poles, cars, vans, trailers or even fluorescent lights can occasionally cause local interference by momentarily blocking or reflecting a signal.

## TESTING THE TRANSMITTER

Important: Always turn your transmitter on first and off last. Remember this rule. If you start your truck before turning on your transmitter then you will lose control of the truck and damage your engine quickly. Test the following radio functions without the engine running.
These following steps will help you understand the operation of your transmitter.

1. Turn on the transmitter. You should see an indicator light showing that the radio is on.
2. Turn the car receiver battery pack switch on. Both the steering servo and the throttle servo should move to their respective neutral settings.
3. Turn the steering wheel on the transmitter left and right. The front wheels should
turn left and right (when viewed from behind), then go to a perfectly straight-ahead position when the wheel is released. If they're a little off, you can set them with the steering trim control on your transmitter. If your servos are slow, you might want check your batteries before you run.
4. Pull on the throttle trigger, which should open the throttle on the engine.
5. Push the throttle trigger forward, which will activate the brakes.
6. Hold the throttle open and roll the truck on the ground. The truck should roll freely. While it is still rolling, push on the brakes. The truck should come to an immediate stop. If these steps do not produce these results refer to the linkage assembly setup in this manual.

## CHECKING THE CARBURETOR

Let's check the carburetor linkage before you fire up the engine for the first time.

Pull off the air filter. Turn the transmitter on first, followed by the truck.

With your finger off the throttle, which is the neutral position, the throttle should be almost closed, with an opening about 1/ 32 " (.71mm), as shown below.

Pull the throttle wide open and look into the carburetor and see if it's opening all the way up. If you don't see the gap shown below, then adjust the "throttle trim adjustment" on your transmitter according to the radio manual, or adjust the linkage shown to you earlier in this manual to achieve full throttle.

When everything is adjusted OK, turn
the switch off in your truck first, followed by your transmitter. You must remember to turn off your truck's electronics every time in this order.

Now, place the air filter back on your carburetor and fasten it back down with a new tie wrap.


You will find your RC10GT truck will give you many more hours of trouble-free operation when you familiarize yourself with these maintenance procedures. You should periodically check all the moving parts: front and
rear a-arms, steering blocks, steering linkage, servo saver, shocks, clutch, brake parts, bushings and bearings, and other moving areas.

Check the radio system, the condition
of the batteries, the fuel tank, and the hoses for leaks. Also check the firmness of mounting of the receiver and servos, and check for any frayed wires or loose connections.

## FREQUENCY CRYSTALS

Every radio system comes with a set of two frequency crystals. One is marked for the transmitter (TX) and the other for the receiver (RX). They should be the same frequency for both places. Your kit will come with 27 MHZ crystals. Some of these frequencies are shown here.

If you run by yourself only, then you will not have any frequency conflict problems. If you run with someone else, then you must make sure that you are on different frequencies. If you and another person are both
using the same frequency, you can crash each other's trucks or cause it to go out of
control simply by turning on your radio while his truck is running.
27.255
Channel\#

| Color | Ch |
| :--- | :--- |
| brown | 1 |
| red | 2 |
| orange | 3 |
| yellow | 4 |
| green | 5 |
| blue | 6 |

26.995
27.045
27.095
27.145
27.195

(There are many more crystals available.)

## AIR FILTER

NEVER run your truck without the air filter on. The air filter is essential for keeping dirt out of the engine. The air filter should be inspected carefully every time you refuel. When the air filter starts to get dirty, do the following steps:

1. Clean the foam out with fuel. Do this by pouring a little fuel in a small can and knead-
ing the filter in the fuel. When the foam looks cleaner, then dispose of the fuel properly. 2. Dry the filter. Squeeze out the fuel with a paper towel until it's dry.
2. Apply Associated's \#7710 foam pre-filter treatment to help keep the dirt out. Dab the treatment all around the filter, put the filter in a plastic bag and knead it until the filter is saturated, but not soaked.

\#7710 optional Foam Prefilter Treatment

## CLEANING YOUR TRUCK

If your truck should get any dirt in the moving or pivoting locations, it can reduce handling or performance. The easiest way to keep your gas truck clean is with a small
paint brush or toothbrush. This will help you to get the dirt and mud out of the moving locations.

Whenever your bushing and bearings are not moving freely, spray them with electric
motor cleaner and lightly oil the bushings or bearings with a lightweight electric motor oil. It is good to do a visual inspection before you start your truck every time.

## DIFFERENTIAL MAINTENANCE

You should rebuild the differential when the action gets somewhat "gritty" feeling. To check, hold one rear wheel stationary while turning the other one. It should feel smooth, not gritty. Usually cleaning the diff parts and applying new lube as in the instructions will bring it back to new condition. The stan-
dard 3/32" carbide balls rarely need replacing. Normally, as the parts seat, the diff will get smoother. If the diff still feels gritty after carefully cleaning and re-lubing the diff parts, the thrust balls, thrust washers, and the drive rings should be checked and possibly replaced. The parts will normally wear out in the following order:

1. \#6575 5/64" diff thrust balls (qty 6 )
2. \#6573 diff thrust washers (2)
3. \#6579 diff drive rings (2)

Refer to the differential section to correctly assemble the diff.

There are several different adjustments on your RC10GT truck can help you adjust steering, traction , and the handling for different track conditions.

## CLUTCH ADJUSTMENT AND ENGAGEMENT

When the engine revs increase, the clutch shoes, attached to the flywheel on the shaft within the clutch bell, are flung outward by centrifugal force. The shoes engage the inside of the clutch bell to turn the bell and accelerate your truck. The shorter the clutch shoes, the higher the engine must rev before the shoes engage (a shorter contact patch contributes to this too). A clutch shoe at stock length engages the clutch bell more quickly than the short ones (we recommend using the stock clutch shoe length for most conditions). To adjust when your clutch engages, you can change the number of clutch shoes or alter their length. Changing your clutch shoes mainly depends
on the track conditions.
In general, the better the traction, the longer the shoes (quicker clutch engagement, quicker acceleration).

The slicker the track, the shorter the shoes (slower engagement), which prevents tire spinning.

To decrease the clutch engagement, try cutting the Teflon shoes one hole shorter using a hobby knife. Do not trim away more clutch than necessary, or engine damage may occur.

For best performance, try the Associated 4 shoe clutch \#7611 (requires two sets of \#7601 clutch shoes, see photo). This clutch will allow it to accelerate harder than a 2 -shoe clutch and engages more smoothly. The four shoe clutch shoes need to be trimmed before using them. We recommend cutting the shoes between the second and third hole.
$30^{\circ}$ of caster (stock caster blocks) will give your truck increased steering exiting corners. It will also be more stable when accelerating through fast bumpy track conditions. Less caster (changing to block carriers with $25^{\circ}$ of caster) will decrease the amount of steering in the middle and exiting corners. It will also tend to be less stable in fast, bumpy conditions.
Recommended:

Standard, for quickest engagement (recommended for most conditions).

## Middle. <br> Middie.



Maximum cut, for slowest engagement.



Four shoe clutch


CASTER
Caster describes the angle of the kingpin in relation to the vertical plane, when looked at from the side of the truck. $30^{\circ}$ of caster means the kingpin leans rearward at the top. CAMBER
 CAMBER

Describes the angle at which the tire and wheel rides relative to the ground when looked at from
the front or rear. Negative camber means that the tire leans inward at the top. Positive camber means just the opposite. (Positive camber should never be used.) Increasing negative camber (more than 3 degrees) will decrease traction and improve stability
$30^{\circ}$ caster blocks.
To get this: Use this:
$5^{\circ}$ caster \#6211 front block carrier
$10^{\circ}$ caster
$15^{\circ}$ caster
$20^{\circ}$ caster
$25^{\circ}$ caster
$30^{\circ}$ caster
in bumps. Less negative camber ( 0 to 1 degrees) will have maximum amount of traction but will be less stable in bumpy conditions. We suggest using between 1 and 3 degrees of negative camber at all times.


## FRONT TOE-IN AND TOE-OUT

Toe-in will make your truck easier to drive by improving stability during acceleration. Toe-out will increase steering when entering corners but will be slightly more difficult to drive. The front toe can be adjusted by adjusting the steering turnbuckles. We suggest using 0 degree toe on your gas truck.

## REARTOE-IN

Rear toe-in affects front and rear traction. Decreasing rear toe-in decreases rear traction and adds steering. Increasing rear toe-in will do the opposite. Your Team and Factory Team kit comes with 3 deg. toe-in in each rear arm mount and 1.5 deg. toe-in for each rear hub carrier. The RTR comes with 0 deg. toe-in in each rear hub carrier. These combinations work best for almost all track conditions.

For less rear toe-in for your Team or Factory Team kit, change to the \#7365 hub carriers. For more toe-in for the RTR, change to the \#7367 rear hub carriers.

## WHEELBASE ADJUSTMENT

The RC10GT wheelbase can be changed easily to allow further fine tuning of your truck for different track conditions. This can be accomplished by moving the $1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ $(3.17 \mathrm{~mm})$ plastic spacer on the rear outer hinge pin (next to the rear hub carrier). If the
spacer is located in front of the rear hub carrier, it will lengthen the wheelbase and increase steering. If the spacer is located in the rear of the rear hub carriers (which is the stock position) it shortens the wheelbase and give more rear traction.

## CAMBER LINK ADJUSTMENT

Changing the mounting position of the camber links can affect traction, stability, and handling on rough tracks. Use the following guidelines to try and find the correct handling for your track conditions.

Using a longer mounting position will increase traction but decrease stability and rough track handling.

Using a shorter mounting position will decrease traction but increase stability and rough track handling.

## RIDE HEIGHT

Now we check the ride height of your RC10GT to make sure the settings are correct. Before we make this adjustment we should have the truck ready to race (meaning fully loaded with fuel and receiver batteries), but leave off the body.

For the front, push down on the front suspension and then let go. When the suspension stops, the front arms should be level
with the bottom of the chassis kick up. If not, you can make adjustments by using the shock preload clips that come in your kit.

Now push down on the back suspension and let go. The axle driveshafts should be level. Look at the rear end photo to compare. You can make the adjustment by using the shock pre-load clips that come in your kit.


| SHOCK SPRINGS |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Springs are to keep your car level during acceleration, decel- | 7426 | Rear: | Description: |  |
| eration, and cornering. Stiffer springs will help your suspension | 7427 | 6481 | Black | Soft |
| respond more quickly, but because of their stiffness will not ab- | 7428 | 6480 | Green |  |
| sorb bumps as well. Use stiffer springs in high traction conditions. |  | 6478 | Silver |  |
| Softer springs are best for slippery or bumpy conditions. | 7429 | 6482 | Gray |  |
|  | 7425 | 7434 | Blue |  |
|  | 7430 | 7435 | Gold | $\downarrow$ |
|  |  | 7436 | Red | Firm |

## GEARING

The RC10GT features the ability to change the gear ratio. The drive reduction of the GT gearbox is 2.60 to 1 . Use the following formula to calculate the final drive ratio:

## \# Spur gear teeth

x $2.60=$ final drive ratio
\# Clutch bell teeth

Your RC10GT come stock with a 66 tooth spur gear and a 15 tooth clutch bell. This combination will provide the best overall performance for most tracks. Here is a chart showing you different ratios (includes our optional clutch bells):

| Clutch Bell: | Part\# | Spur Gear: | Final Drive: |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 14 | 7609 | 66 | $12.26: 1$ | More Acceleration |
| 15 | 7605 | 66 | $11.44: 1$ |  |
| 16 | 7606 | 66 | $10.76: 1$ |  |
| 17 | 7607 | 66 | $10.09: 1$ |  |
| 18 | 7608 | 66 | $9.56: 1$ | More Top Speed |

The 14 tooth clutch bell may not fit with a non pull start engine.
The 18 tooth clutch bell may not fit with a pull start engine.

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For beginner to intermediate racers. Includes setup sheet with numbered links to each page of the booklet that help explain how the changes affect your truck's handling.

Complete Tuning Guide:


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SETUP SHEET for Team Associated's RC10GT
White numbers in squares are cross-referenced to the \#7193 Complete Tuning Guide: GT.

## FRONT SUSPENSION

$2(1)$ CASTER $\square 5^{\circ} \square 10^{\circ} \square 15^{\circ} \square 20^{\circ} \square 25^{\circ} \square 30^{\circ}$

driver
track / city
event date $\qquad$

## FRONT SHOCKS



20 SHOCK MOUNTING tower: $\mathbf{a} / \mathbf{b}$ arm: c/d

## REAR SHOCKS



## OTHER

17 weights $\qquad$ (oz/gm) TIRE ADDITIVE $\square$ yes $\square$ no

41 BODY $\qquad$ 42 ロSPOILER

22 FRONT TIRES 25 FOAM $\qquad$ 34 TUNED PIPE: $\square$ ASSOC. $\square$ other:
EO FUEL: $\qquad$ NITRO: $\square 20 \%$ other \%
23 REAR TIRES $\qquad$ FOAM , $\qquad$
26 FRONT WHEELS $\square 1$ PC.
$\square$ other $\qquad$ 31 CARB TYPE: $\qquad$ $\square$ rotation $\square$ slide valve
E2 CARB RESTRICTOR: $\square .190 \square .180 \square .170 \quad \square$ NONE
26 REAR WHEELS $\quad \square 1$ PC.
$\square$ other
40 CHASSIS: $\square$ STD $\square$ other:
43 Radio $\qquad$
44
$\mathbf{3 3}$ GLOW PLUG TYPE: $\qquad$
37 SLIPPER SETtING: $\square$ STD $\square$ LOOSER $\square$ TIGHTER

## 45 TRACK CONDITIONS

SURFACE: $\square$ smooth $\square$ bumpy BUMPS: $\qquad$
TRACTION: $\square$ low $\square$ med. $\square$ high COMPOSITION:
$\square$ sandy $\square$ soft dirt $\square$ grass $\square$ clay $\square$ other
$\square$ wet $\square$ dry $\square$ dusty $\square$ other $\qquad$
NOTES: $\qquad$

## 46 RACE COMMENTS

MAIN $\qquad$ PLACE $\qquad$ $\square T Q$ NOTES

## 47 TRUCK COMMENTS

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