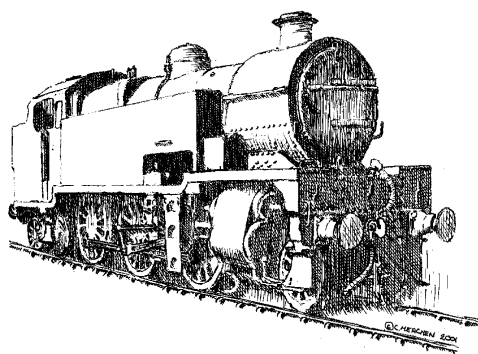


SOUTHERN RAILWAY 'W' CLASS 2-6-4T BODY KIT TO FIT BACHMAN 'N' CLASS CHASSIS



The Maunsell W class were introduced in 1932 to work freight traffic around London, though their work took them all over the Southern. Powerful & handsome, the class of 15 locos lasted until 1964.

Number series was 1911-1925, & livery was plain black. (First five had green lining when new.)

This kit is designed to be fitted to the BACHMAN 'N' Class mogul chassis, which will need to be modified in the following way; Having separated the chassis from the loco body & tender, firstly shave 1.5mm off of the extreme front of the chassis; Next, cut away the rectangular side pieces at the rear of the lower plastic chassis plate; Be careful not to disturb the portion with the two brass eyelets which are part of the pickups!

Tidy this area up to give clearance for the bogie wheels. Finally, if you wish to give the correct appearance to the cylinders, these can have their upper halves filed to an angle & filled as necessary, or you can cut through the cylinder mount, file, & re-glue them at an appropriate angle. You can now move on to the body....

Firstly, clean up any moulding flash with a craft knife & file, removing the strengthening webs in the tank aperture, & clean out the cab openings. You may wish to paint & detail the cab interior before fitting, & drill out the holes for the rear bogie pivot & chassis mounting screws. Now turn to the main body & add handrails & pipework detail from wire, referring to photographs for positioning. Add the steps, making sure the middle ones clear the valve-gear. Finally, glue the front mounting plate in place, marking & drilling using your chassis as a guide. The finished superstructure may now be painted-

we recommend a coat of good-quality primer, followed by a satin black top-coat; Your local Halfords will have ideal products for this purpose. The various components can now be assembled; the bogie needs 12mm wheelsets, & pivots about the long screw provided; A light spring can be added to assist trackholding, & some lead inside the boiler will help the tractability of the finished locomotive.

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