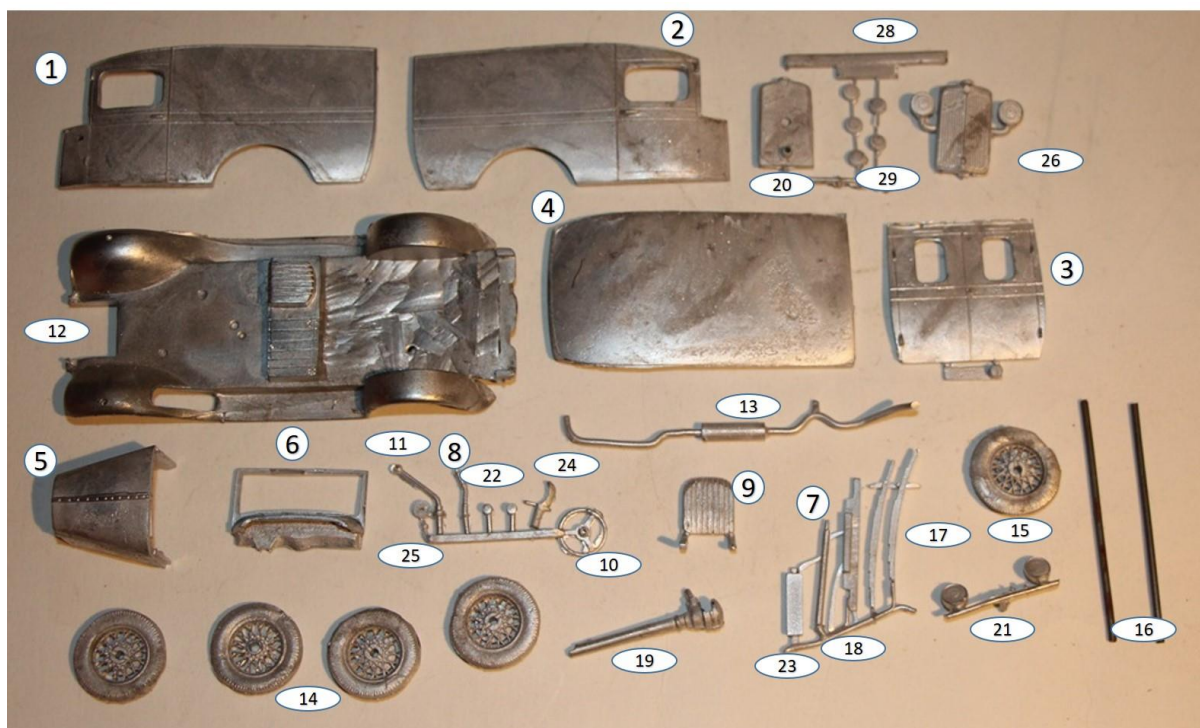


KW Trams

M530 Bedford van

The first Bedford 12cwt van appeared in 1932 (April) and were designated VYC, VXC depending on engine. Disc wheels were used at first, but later wire wheels were standardized. In 1935 new engines caused the designation to become BYC and BXC and a new radiator was fitted about this time. Bumpers were not originally fitted as standard but appear on many examples and were probably optional extras. The chassis was used by other body builders so conversions to open trucks or flats are in order. The design continued in production until the war and the army had at least one of these vehicles in its ranks.

As with most white metal kits a little time spent with a file cleaning up the castings and making sure they fit properly will bring dividends to the finished model. Low melt solder of the 70 degree type should be used for assembly but 5 minute epoxy resin or Super Glue can be used, it is entirely up to the individual builder.



Parts List

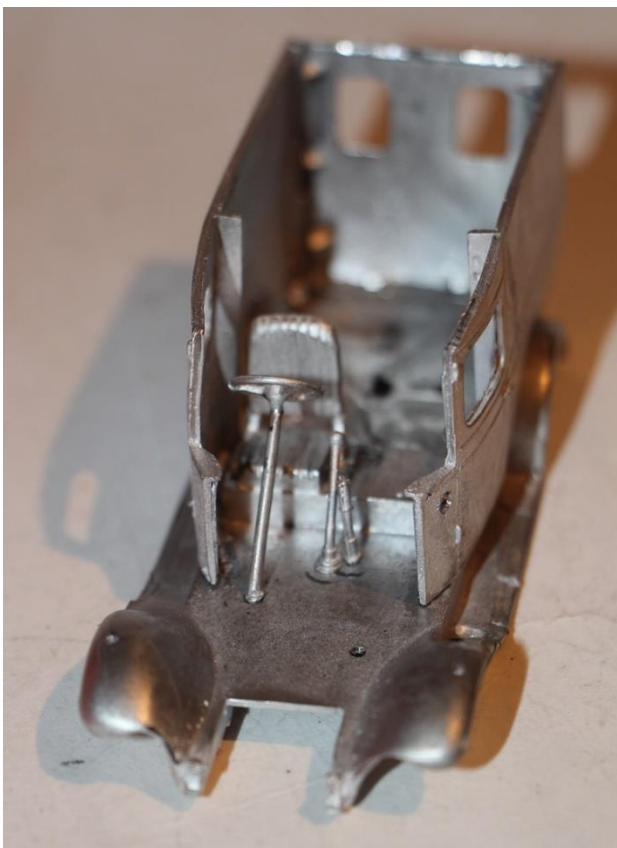
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| 1. L.H. Side | 11. Steering Column | 21. Headlamp Unit |
| 2. R.H. Side | 12. Chassis | 22. Sidelights (2) |
| 3. Rear Doors | 13. Exhaust | 23. Front Number Plate |
| 4. Roof | 14. Wheel (4) | 24. Spare Wheel Strap |
| 5. Bonnet | 15. Spare wheel | 25. Mirror |
| 6. Windscreen unit | 16. Axle (2) | 26. Alternative Radiator and Headlamp Unit |
| 7. Handbrake | 17. Rear Springs (2) | 27. |
| 8. Gear Lever | 18. Front Axle Locator | 28. Optional bumper |
| 9. Seat Backrest | 19. Prop shaft | 29. Hubcaps |
| 10. Steering Wheel | 20. Radiator | |

Assembly :-

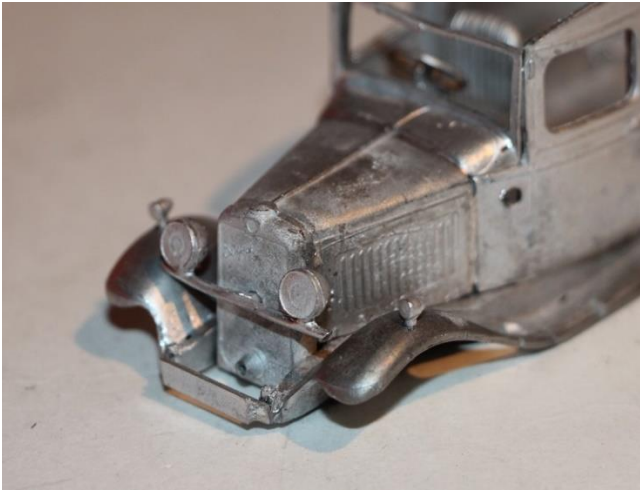
1. Fix the seat backrest 9 to the chassis 12.
2. Take the sides 1 & 2 and the rear doors 3 and fix to the chassis 12. Use the roof 4 to make sure that everything is lined up correctly but don't fix the roof in place until after you have painted the interior and glazed the model.



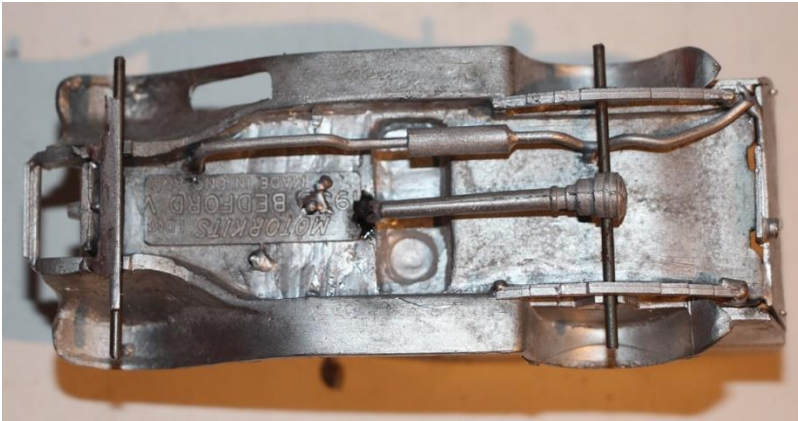
3. Fix the steering wheel 10 to the steering column 11, then fit to the floor along with the handbrake 7 and gear lever 8.



4. Fit the bonnet 5 and the windscreen 6.
5. Fit the headlamp unit 21 to the radiator 20, then fix in place. Or fit the alternative radiator 26.
6. Fit the sidelights 22 to the wings.
7. Fit the front number plate 23 or the bumper 28.



8. Turn the model over and fit the exhaust 13.
9. Cut the axles 16 to the correct length.
10. Put the two axles in place and then fit the rear springs 17 and front axle retainer 18 to hold them in place.
11. Fit the prop shaft 19 over the rear axle and fit to the underside of the chassis.



12. Fix the mirror 25 to the driver's side of the cab.



13. Once everything is painted, fix the roof, wheels 14 and hubcaps 29 if required. Also fit the spare wheel 15 in the slot in the wing and hold in place using the spare wheel strap 24.

The model is now ready for finish painting and adding transfers if required.

