**LS 27-A** (1970) **MERCEDES 230 SL**

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| © year on base: nonescale: 1:60 (not cast on base)length: 74mmwidth: 30mmheight: 19mmMATCHBOX lettering on base: straightadditional lettering on base: SUPERFAST (straight)company on base: LESNEYnumber on base: 27cast license plate: BB-A 716 (rear only) | metal grille & basepat. no. below LESNEY: 983558PAT APP behind rear axle coverblack plastic wheels with silver hubsplastic interiorplastic tow hook is part of interiormetal doors openblack or yellow plastic wheel strip (40979-117 black, unknown yellow) |  |

| **#** | **body** | **grille / base** | **interior** | **windshield** | **wheels** | **deco** | **wheel wells** | **27 ondoors** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| 01a | **cream** | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | **no** |  | #27 |  |  | 01 |  | 1970 |
| 01b | **cream** | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes | (ssh), hhm | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| 47a | **dk. cream** | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | **no** |  | #27 |  |  | 47 | 1994-04 | 1970 |
| 47b | **dk. cream** | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes |  | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f05a | off white | unpainted E | **dk.** red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | **no** |  | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f05b | off white | unpainted E | **dk.** red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes |  | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| 02a | off white | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | **no** |  | #27 |  |  | 02 |  | 1970 |
| 02b | off white | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes | ssl, hhl, hhm, (hhh) | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| 02c | off white | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 **square** 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes |  | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f01 | off white | unpainted E | red | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | **LYONS TEA** label on hood | narrow | yes | hhm |  | PR | B |  |  | 1971 |
| 03 | yellow | unpainted E | **red** | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes | ssh, **shm**, hhm | #27 |  |  | 03 |  | 1971 |
| 04 | yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes | ssh, ssm, hhl, hhm | #27 |  |  | 04 |  | 1971 |
| f03 | **lt.** yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | narrow | yes | ssm, ssh | #27 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 08 | yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 slot 11x2mm | none | **wide** | yes | hhl, hhm, hhh | #27 |  |  | 08 |  | 1972 |
| 05 | yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 slot 10x**4**mm | none | wide | yes | kl, km, kh | #27 |  |  | 05 |  | 1972 |
| 06 | **lt.** yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 slot 10x**4**mm | none | wide | yes | kl, (km), kh | #27 |  |  | 06 |  | 1972 |
| 07a | **dk.** yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 slot 10x**4**mm | none | wide | yes | yh | #9 / 31 |  | J | 07 |  | 1977 |
| 07b | **dk.** yellow | unpainted E | black | colorless | 5 **square** 10x4mm | none | wide | yes |  | MP-1 | MP |  |  |  | 1979 |
| f02 | **dk.** yellow | unpainted E | black | **smoke** | 5 **square** 10x4mm | none | wide | yes |  | MP-1 | MP |  |  |  | 1979 |

**USA codes:**

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| **MB 27-A** |  |  |  |

**UK codes:**

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| **27D** |  |  |  |

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| **ROW numbers:** | **27** (1970-1972) |  |
| **USA numbers:** | **27** (1970-1972) |  |
| **Other numbers:** | **J 9** (1977-1978) | **J 31** (1979) |

**NOTE:**

**The PAT APP lettering at the rear of the base can be found in three different positions (low, medium and high) on all variations.**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **code** | **wheel strip** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **PAT APP position** |  | **code** | **wheel strip** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **PAT APP position** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ssl | black | solid | solid | low |            | hhl | black | hollow | hollow | low |
| ssm | black | solid | solid | medium |  | hhm | black | hollow | hollow | medium |
| ssh | black | solid | solid | high |  | hhh | black | hollow | hollow | high |
| shl | black | solid | hollow | low |  | kl | black | irrelevant (always hollow) | low |
| shm | black | solid | hollow | medium |  | km | black | irrelevant (always hollow) | medium |
| shh | black | solid | hollow | high |  | kh | black | irrelevant (always hollow) | high |
| hsl | black | hollow | solid | low |  | yl | **yellow** | irrelevant (always hollow) | low |
| hsm | black | hollow | solid | medium |  | ym | **yellow** | irrelevant (always hollow) | medium |
| hsh | black | hollow | solid | high |  | yh | **yellow** | irrelevant (always hollow) | high |

**Previous ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LR 27-D MERCEDES 230 SL**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ BR 27-A MERCEDES 230 SL**

 **⇒ ⇒ ⇒ EA 27-A MERCEDES 230 SL**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | F | without NEW, SF model shown, black SF, LESNEY PRODUCTS & CO. LTD. ..., SF on sides, PORTIÈRES OUVRANTES on end flaps, MARK 2 on end flaps |  |  | 1970 |
| 02 | G | with NEW, red TM, "MATCHBOX" IS THE..., SF parallel on sides, MARK 3 on end flaps, no SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1970 |
| 03 | G | with NEW, red TM, "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., SF parallel on sides, MARK 3 on end flaps, no SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1970 |
| 04 | H | with NEW, no frame around number, MARK 4 on end flaps, no SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1971/72 |
| 05 | H | with NEW, no frame around number, MARK 4 on end flaps, SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1972 |
| 06 | Jap-A | black box | #J-9 | J | 1977/78 |
| 07 | Jap-B2 | red & white box without J prefix | #31 | J | 1979 |