**LS 55-A** (1970) **MERCURY Park Lane Police Car**

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| © year on base: none  scale: 1:72 (not cast on base)  length: 78mm  width: 30mm  height: 26mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: straight  additional lettering on base: SUPERFAST (straight)  company on base: LESNEY  number on base: 55 OR 73 / 59 OR 73  cast license plate: MC 704-3 (front only) | metal grille & base  tow guide  (A) behind front axle cover  plastic interior with driver & passenger  black plastic wheels with silver hubs  plastic roof light  white plastic wheel strip (no number) |  |

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| **#** | **body** | **grille / base** | **interior** | **windows** | **wheels** | **deco** | **roof light** | **base numbers** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
| 01 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | **blue** | 55 OR 73 | (ssh), hhl | #55 |  |  | 01 |  | 1970 |
| f09 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | **blue** | **59** OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f06 | white | unpainted E | **white** | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | **blue** | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f01 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | **blue** | 55 OR 73 | ssl, (**hhhoe**), hhm | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f03 | white | unpainted E | **cream** | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | **blue** | 55 OR 73 | ssl | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f11 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | shield side labels, **none** on hood | **blue** | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f12 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | shield side labels, **none** on hood | **blue** | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f13 | white | unpainted E | **cream** | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | shield side labels, **none** on hood | **blue** | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f14 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield hood label, **none** on sides | **blue** | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f15 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | POLICE & shield hood label, **none** on sides | **blue** | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f16 | white | unpainted E | **cream** | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | POLICE & shield hood label, **none** on sides | **blue** | 55 OR 73 | (ssl) | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| 02 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | red | 55 OR 73 | (ssh), (ssl), **hsh**, (hhh), hhm, hhl | #55 |  |  | 02 |  | 1970 |
| f17 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 **square** 11x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | red | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f10 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | red | **59** OR 73 | ssl, (hhm) | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f07 | white | unpainted E | **white** | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | red | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f02 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | red | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f05 | white | unpainted E | **cream** | colorless | 5 slot **11**x2mm | POLICE & shield labels | red | 55 OR 73 |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f04 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | shield side labels, **none** on hood | red | 55 OR 73 | (hhl) | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f08 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | POLICE & shield hood label, **none** on sides | red | 55 OR 73 | hhl, (**hhlof**) | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |
| f18 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x2mm | **none** | red | 55 OR 73 | (hhl) | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1970 |

**USA codes:**

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| **MB 55-A** |  |  |  |

**UK codes:**

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| **55D** |  |  |  |

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| **ROW numbers:** | **55** (1970) |
| **USA numbers:** | **55** (1970) |
| **Other numbers:** | **none** |

**NOTE:**

**Same base as LS 59-B and LS 73-A.**

**The MERCURY baseplate lettering can be found in three different positions (low, medium and high) on all variations.**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **code** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **MERCURY position** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ssl | solid | solid | low |
| ssm | solid | solid | medium |
| ssh | solid | solid | high |
| shl | solid | hollow | low |
| shm | solid | hollow | medium |
| shh | solid | hollow | high |
| hsl | hollow | solid | low |
| hsm | hollow | solid | medium |
| hsh | hollow | solid | high |
| hhl | hollow | hollow | low |
| hhm | hollow | hollow | medium |
| hhh | hollow | hollow | high |

**ODDITIES:**

| **code** | **description** |
| --- | --- |
| oa | solid wheels, **hollow** wheel front left only |
| ob | solid wheels, **hollow** wheel front right only |
| oc | solid wheels, **hollow** wheel rear left only |
| od | solid wheels, **hollow** wheel rear right only |
| oe | hollow wheels, **solid** wheel front left only |
| of | hollow wheels, **solid** wheel front right only |
| og | hollow wheels, **solid** wheel rear left only |
| oh | hollow wheels, **solid** wheel rear right only |

**Previous ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LR 55-D MERCURY Park Lane Police Car**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ BR 55-A MERCURY Park Lane Police Car**

**⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LS 59-B MERCURY Park Lane Fire Chief Car**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | F | without NEW, SF model shown, black SF, LESNEY PRODUCTS & CO. LTD. ..., SF on sides, MARK 2 on end flaps |  |  | 1970 |
| 02 | 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 |