**LS 55-B** (1971) **MERCURY Commuter POLICE CAR**

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| © year on base: 1971scale: 1:72 (not cast on base)length: 78mmwidth: 30mmheight: 26mmMATCHBOX lettering on base: italicadditional lettering on base: SUPERFAST (italic)company on base: LESNEY PRODUCTS & CO. LTDnumber on base: 55cast license plate: TD 273-8 (front only) | metal grille & basetow guidePAT APP behind rear axle coverplastic interior with cases and cones(unless noted otherwise)black plastic wheels with silver hubsplastic roof lightscream, red or black plastic wheel strip(40979-126 cream, 40979-138 red or black) |  |

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| **#** | **body** | **grille / base** | **interior** | **windows** | **wheels** | **hood deco** | **side deco** | **roof lights** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
| f09 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot **10x2**mm | **POLICE & shield** label | shield labels | red |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 01 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | **POLICE & shield** label | shield labels | red | **k**, r | #55 |  |  | 01 |  | 1971 |
| f11 | white | unpainted E | ivory **w/ dogs**(from LS 73-A) | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | **POLICE & shield** label | shield labels | red |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f01 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | **POLICE & shield** label | **none** | red | **k**, r, **roa** | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f08 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(**small** 13x3mm text) | **shield** labels | red |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1972 |
| 02 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(**small** 13x3mm text) | red & yellow POLICE labels(sided - pointing left / right) | red | lrhr, lrmr | #55 |  |  | 02 |  | 1972 |
| f05 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | red & yellow POLICE labels(sided - pointing left / right) | red | lrhr | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1973 |
| 03 | white | **silver-gray** E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | red & yellow POLICE labels(sided - pointing left / right) | red | lrmr | #55 |  |  | 03 |  | 1973 |
| f10 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot **10.5**x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label | red & yellow POLICE labels(sided - pointing left / right) | red |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1972 |
| f04 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm front,**4 sp** 11.5x4mm rear | red & yellow POLICE label | red & yellow POLICE labels(sided - pointing left / right) | red |  | #55 |  |  |  |  | 1972 |
| f03 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 **square** 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | red & yellow POLICE labels(sided - pointing left / right) | red |  | MP-1 | MP |  |  |  | 1979 |
| 04 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | **none** | red | **lk**, hr, **mc**,mr | #55 |  |  | 04 |  | 1973 |
| f02 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | **orange** & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | **none** | red | **hk**, mr |  |  |  |  |  | 1973 |
| 05 | white | **silver-gray** E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | **none** | red | mr | #55 |  |  | 05 |  | 1973 |
| 06 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 5 slot 10x4mm | red & yellow POLICE label(large 14x4mm text) | **none** | **amber** |  | #55 |  |  | 06 | 1984-05 | 1973 |

**USA codes:**

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| **MB 55-B** |  |  |  |

**UK codes:**

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| **55E** |  |  |  |

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| **ROW numbers:** | **55** (1971-1974) |
| **USA numbers:** | **55** (1971-1974) |
| **Other numbers:** | **none** |

**NOTE:**

**"Sided" labels: different labels on the left and right hand sides. Either of the labels may appear on either side. The label intended for the left side is always noted first.**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **Labels:** |  |  |  | **Wheel strip:** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **code** | **left side label** | **right side label** | **POLICE on hood label** |  | **code** | **wheel strip** |
| lll | left | **left** | low |              | c | cream |
| llm | left | **left** | medium |  | k | black |
| llh | left | **left** | high |  | r | red |
| lrl | left | right | low |  |  |  |
| lrm | left | right | medium |  |  |  |
| lrh | left | right | high |  |  |  |
| rll | **right** | **left** | low |  |  |  |
| rlm | **right** | **left** | medium |  |  |  |
| rlh | **right** | **left** | high |  |  |  |
| rrl | **right** | right | low |  |  |  |
| rrm | **right** | right | medium |  |  |  |
| rrh | **right** | right | high |  |  |  |
| l | no or non-sided label | no or non-sided label | low |  |  |  |
| m | no or non-sided label | no or non-sided label | medium |  |  |  |
| h | no or non-sided label | no or non-sided label | high |  |  |  |
| x | no or non-sided label | no or non-sided label | irrelevant |  |  |  |

**ODDITIES:**

| **code** | **description** |
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| oa | additional POLICE & shield label on **roof** |

**Previous ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LS 73-A MERCURY Commuter**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ BR 55-B MERCURY Commuter POLICE CAR**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
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| 01 | H | with NEW, with frame around number, MARK 4 on end flaps, no SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1971 |
| 02 | H | with NEW, no frame around number, MARK 4 on end flaps, no SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1971/72 |
| 03 | H | with NEW, no frame around number, MARK 4 on end flaps, SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1972 |
| 04 | H | without NEW, no frame around number, MARK 4 on end flaps, SPECIFICATION... on end flaps |  |  | 1973/74 |