**LS 66-B** (1971) **MAZDA RX 500**

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| © year on base: 1971  scale: 1:59 (not cast on base)  length: 74mm  width: 32mm  height: 20mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: bold italic  additional lettering on base: Superfast (script)  company on base: LESNEY PRODUCTS & CO. LTD.  number on base: 66  cast license plate: none | metal base  PAT APP at rear of base  plastic interior & engine  black plastic wheels with silver hubs  metal engine cover opens  blue or white plastic wheel strip (4979-121; versions with 5 slot & 5 square wheels) |  |

| **#** | **body** | **base** | **interior / engine** | **windows** | **wheels** | **deco** | **rear base cutout** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| f02 | **dk.** orange | white E | silver plated | **amber** | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f01 | med. orange | white E | silver plated | **amber** | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | bd | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f06 | **lt.** orange | white E | silver plated | **amber** | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 01 | **dk.** orange | **unpainted** E | silver plated | **amber** | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  | 01 |  | 1971 |
| f03 | med. orange | **unpainted** E | silver plated | **amber** | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f04 | **lt.** orange | **unpainted** E | silver plated | **amber** | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 02 | **dk.** orange | white E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | bd | #66 |  |  | 02 |  | 1971 |
| 05 | med. orange | white E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | bd, wa | #66 |  |  | 05 |  | 1971 |
| f09 | **lt.** orange | white E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | wd | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f11 | **dk.** orange | white E | silver plated | **lt.** purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f10 | med. orange | white E | silver plated | **lt.** purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | (wb) | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 06 | **lt.** orange | white E | silver plated | **lt.** purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | bd | #66 |  |  | 06 |  | 1971 |
| f17 | med. orange | white E | silver plated | **frosted** purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | ba | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 04 | med. orange | **cream** E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  | 04 |  | 1971 |
| 03 | **dk.** orange | **unpainted** E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | bd | #66 |  |  | 03 |  | 1971 |
| f07 | med. orange | **unpainted** E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round | bc | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f05 | **lt.** orange | **unpainted** E | silver plated | purple | 5 slot 10x4mm | none | round |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| f15 | **lt.** red | white E | silver plated | **purple** | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round |  | #66 Streaker |  |  |  |  | 1975 |
| 10 | red | white E | silver plated | **purple** | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round | ba | #66 Streaker |  |  | 10 |  | 1975 |
| f16 | **lt.** red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round |  | #66 Streaker |  |  |  |  | 1975 |
| 11a | red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round | bd | #66 Streaker |  |  | 11 |  | 1975 |
| 11b | red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 **square** 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round | bd | MP-1 | MP |  |  |  | 1979 |
| f08 | **dk.** red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round | bc | #66 Streaker |  |  |  |  | 1975 |
| 12a | red | white E | silver plated | **lt.** amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round |  | #66 Streaker |  |  | 12 |  | 1975 |
| 12b | red | white E | silver plated | **lt.** amber | 5 **square** 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round | bd | MP-1 | MP |  |  |  | 1979 |
| 23 | **orange-**red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | lime & white 77 tampo | round | ba | #66 Streaker |  |  | 23 | 1987-10 | 1975 |
| 07 | red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | **none** | round |  | #66 |  |  | 07 |  | 1975 |
| 09 | red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 slot 10x4mm | **CASTROL** label | round |  |  | PR | GB | 09 |  | 1975 |
| f14 | **lt.** red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | lime & white 77 tampo | **straight** | c | #66 Streaker |  |  |  |  | 1976 |
| 13 | red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | lime & white 77 tampo | **straight** | c | #66 Streaker #19 |  | J | 13 |  | 1976  1978 |
| f13 | **dk.** red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | lime & white 77 tampo | **straight** | (c) | #66 Streaker |  |  |  |  | 1976 |
| 14 | red | **unpainted** E | silver plated | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | lime & white 77 tampo | **straight** | c | #66 Streaker |  |  | 14 |  | 1976 |
| 15 | red | white E | **tan** | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | lime & white 77 tampo | **straight** | b | #66 Streaker |  |  | 15 |  | 1976 |
| f12 | red | white E | silver plated | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | **none** | **straight** |  | #66 |  |  |  |  | 1976 |
| 08 | red | white E | **tan** | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | **none** | **straight** |  | #66 |  |  | 08 |  | 1976 |
| 16 | dk. green | pearly silver **Ho** | silver plated | amber | 5 **arch** 11x3.5mm | lime & yellow stripes, 66 tampo | **straight** | c | #66 |  | USA | 16 |  | 1981 |

**USA codes:**

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| **MB 66-B** |  |  |  |

**UK codes:**

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| **66D** |  |  |  |

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| **ROW numbers:** | **66** (1971-1976) |
| **USA numbers:** | **66** (1971-1976, 1981) |
| **Other numbers:** | **J 19** (1978) |

**NOTE:**

**Engine covers come with varying die numbers from 1 to 4 cast on the underside.**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **code** | **wheel strip** | **engine cover die number** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ba | blue | 1 |
| bb | blue | 2 |
| bc | blue | 3 |
| bd | blue | 4 |
| wa | white | 1 |
| wb | white | 2 |
| wc | white | 3 |
| wd | white | 4 |
| a | none | 1 |
| b | none | 2 |
| c | none | 3 |
| d | none | 4 |

**Previous ref.: none**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ BR 66-B MAZDA RX 500**

**⇒ ⇒ ⇒ EA 66-B MAZDA RX 500**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | I | with red NEW, with frame around number, © 1971 "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., MARK 4 on end flaps |  |  | 1971-73 |
| 02 | I | without NEW, with frame around number, © 1971 "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., MARK 4 on end flaps |  |  | 1974 |
| 03 | J | with NEW, "MATCHBOX" IS THE..., no rectangle on side, MARK 5 on end flaps, circled cross on inner end flaps | Streaker 2 shades |  | 1975 |
| 04 | J | with NEW, "MATCHBOX" IS THE..., NOT RECOMMENDED..., no rectangle on side, MARK 5 on end flaps, circled cross on inner end flaps | Streaker |  | 1976 |
| 05 | Jap-B1 | red & white box with J prefix | #J-19 | J | 1978 |
| 06 | L-USA | with NEW, "MATCHBOX" IS THE REGISTERED..., one line in rectangle, MARK on end flaps, no circled cross on inner end flaps |  | USA | 1981 |