

1:10 SCALE ELECTRIC COMPETITION OFF-ROAD CAR KIT INSTRUCTION MANUAL

RC10

1989 IFMAR
MASAMI HIROSAKA
EDITION



14 IFMAR WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

Masami Hirooka
1989 IFMAR Off Road 2WD World Champion

WORLD CHAMPIONS.

TEAM ASSOCIATED



:: Introduction

Thank you for purchasing this Team Associated product. This assembly manual contains instructions and tips for building and maintaining your new Kit. Please take a moment to read through this manual to help familiarize yourself with these steps. We are continually changing and improving our designs; therefore, actual parts may appear slightly different than in the illustrations. New parts will be noted on supplementary sheets located in the appropriate parts bags. Check each bag for these sheets before you start to build.

:: KIT Features

Features in the RC10 89 Masami Stealth Kit:

- CNC machined aluminum chassis
- Laser etched chassis logo
- Carbon fiber top plate
- Hard anodized shock bodies
- Hard anodized shock caps
- Universal driveshafts
- Ball bearings
- 89' Stealth car front bulkhead
- 89' Stealth car rear arm mounts
- Stealth car wide front suspension arms
- CNC chassis standoffs
- Stealth transmission
- Titanium turnbuckles
- 89' Stealth car world championship replica tires
- 89' Stealth car rear suspension arms
- Adjustable battery mounts (shorty or standard)
- 89' Stealth car front and rear shock towers
- 89' Stealth car pink rear wheels
- 89' Stealth car rear wheel adaptors
- 89' Stealth car style wing mount system
- 89' Stealth car rear bulkhead
- 89' Stealth car style rear wing with side panels
- 89' Masami world championship livery decal sheet
- Replica Masami battery strap and ESC mount
- 89' Stealth car long stroke shock springs

Factory team option parts:

- Carbon fiber 89' Stealth car chassis
- CNC machined front bulkhead
- CNC machined rear arm mounts

:: Additional

Your new RC10 Kit comes as a kit. There are some items you will need to complete your kit (refer to website for suggestions):

- | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|--|
| • R/C two channel surface frequency radio system | • R/C Electric Motor | • Thread Lock (AE #1596) |
| • Electronic Speed Control (ESC) | • Servo Horn (AE #89007) | • 2S, 7.4V Lipo stick battery or 7.2V NiMH battery |
| • Steering Servo | • Polycarbonate specific paint | |
| • Peak detection battery charger | | |
| • Retaining Ring Pliers | | |
| • Pinion gear, size to be determined by type and wind of motor you use | | |

Tools included:

- Allen wrenches (.035", .050", 1/16", 3/32")
- Shock building tool

:: Other Helpful Items

- | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| • Silicone Shock Fluid (Refer to website for complete listings) | • Body Scissors (AE #1737) | • Reamer / Hole Punch (AE #1499) |
| • Tire Adhesive (AE #1597) | • Green Slime shock lube (AE #1105) | • Calipers or a Precision Ruler |
| • Shock Pliers (AE #1681) | • Needle Nose Pliers | • Soldering Iron |
| • Wire Cutters / Hobby Knife | | |

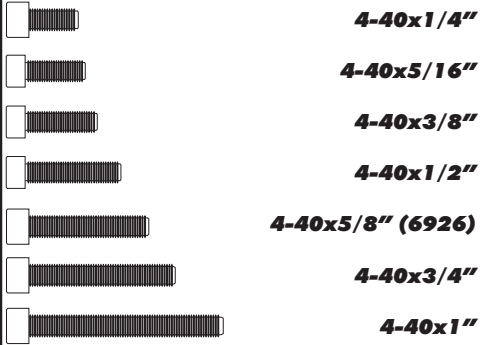
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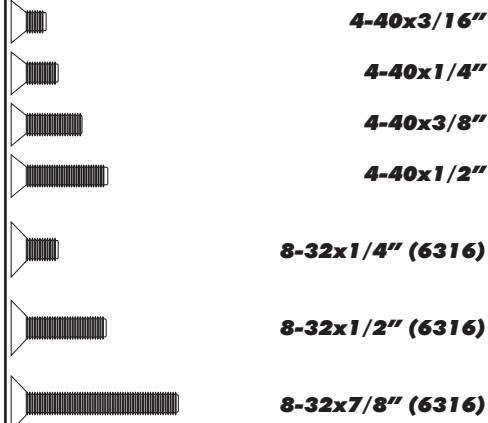
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:: Hardware - 1:1 Scale View

Cap Head (shcs)



Flat Head (fhcs)



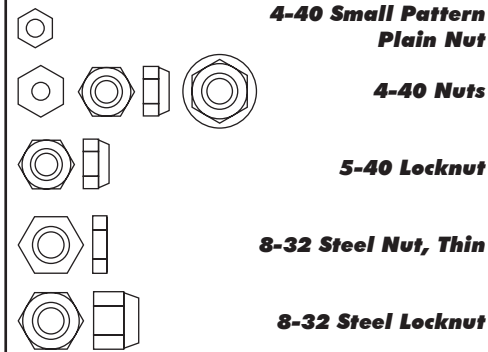
Button Head (bhcs)



Shims and Washers



Nuts (lock/plain)



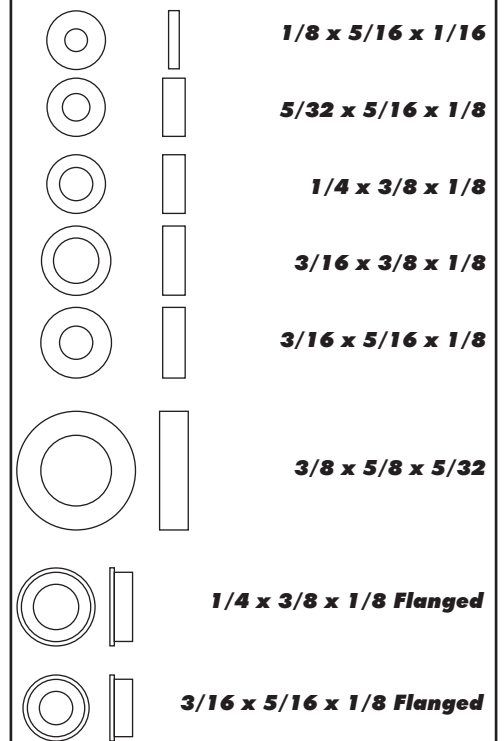
Set Screws



Clips



Bearings



Diff Balls



Notes:

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:: Notes



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There is a 1:1 hardware foldout page in the front of the manual. To check the size of a part, line up your hardware with the correct drawing until you find the exact size.

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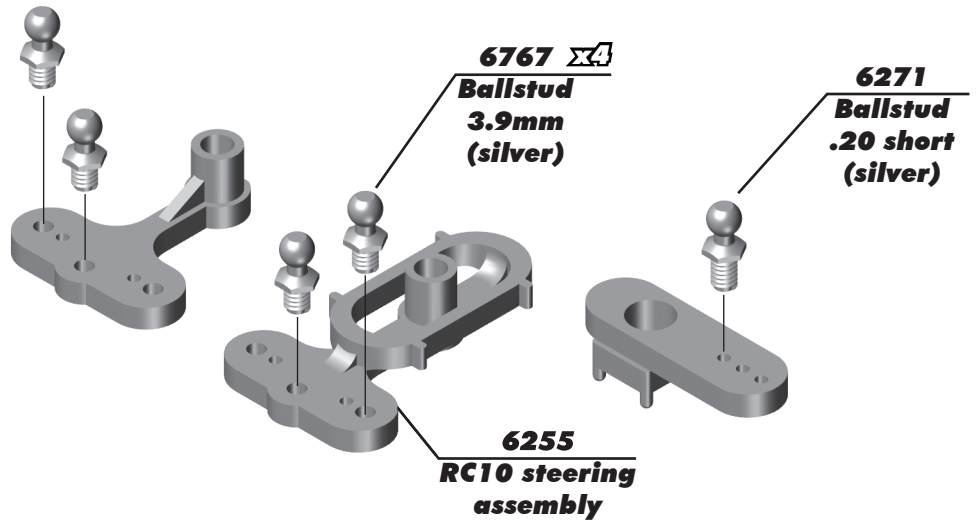
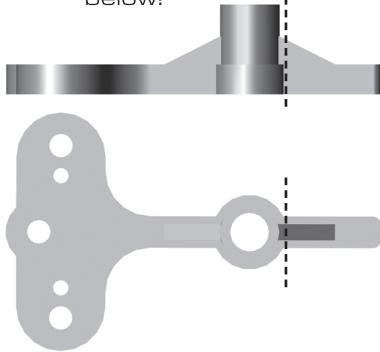


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:: Servo Saver Build - Bag A - Step 1



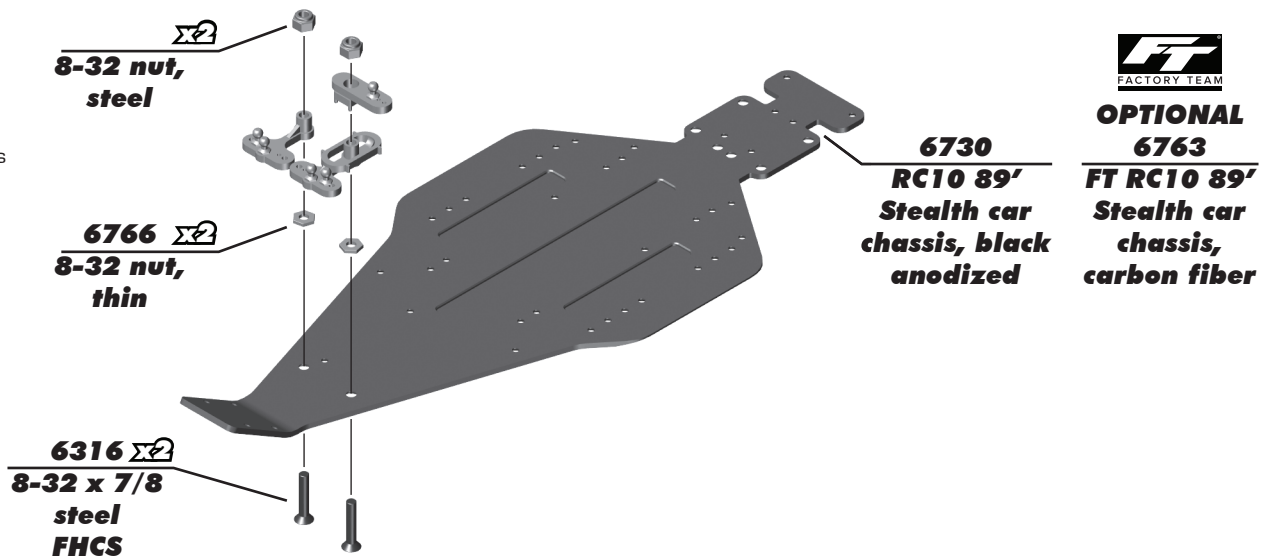
Trim the right side bulkhead as shown below!



:: Servo Saver Build - Bag A - Step 2



Tighten 8-32 nuts until snug & bellcrank rotates freely!

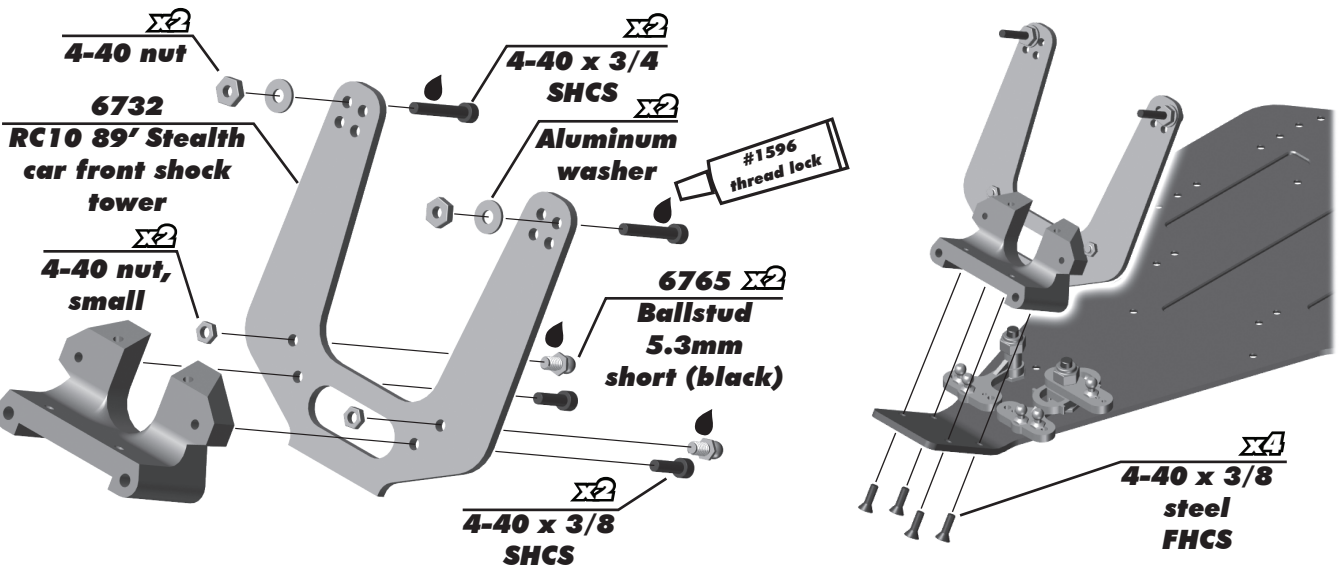


:: Front Arm / Steering Build - Bag B - Step 1



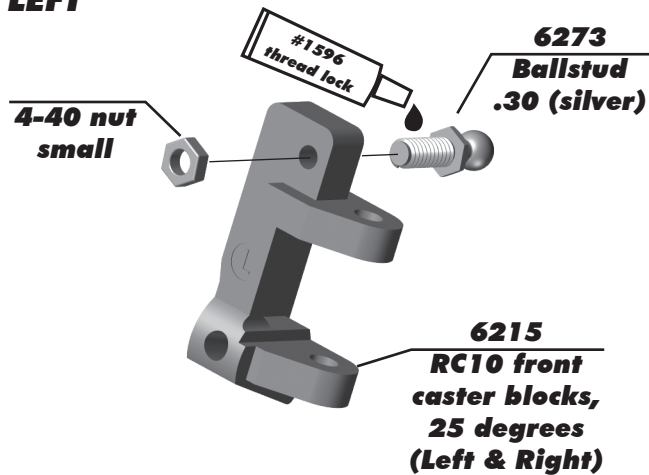
OPTIONAL
6769
FT RC10
89' Stealth
car front
bulkhead,
machined

6734
RC10 89'
Stealth
car front
bulkhead

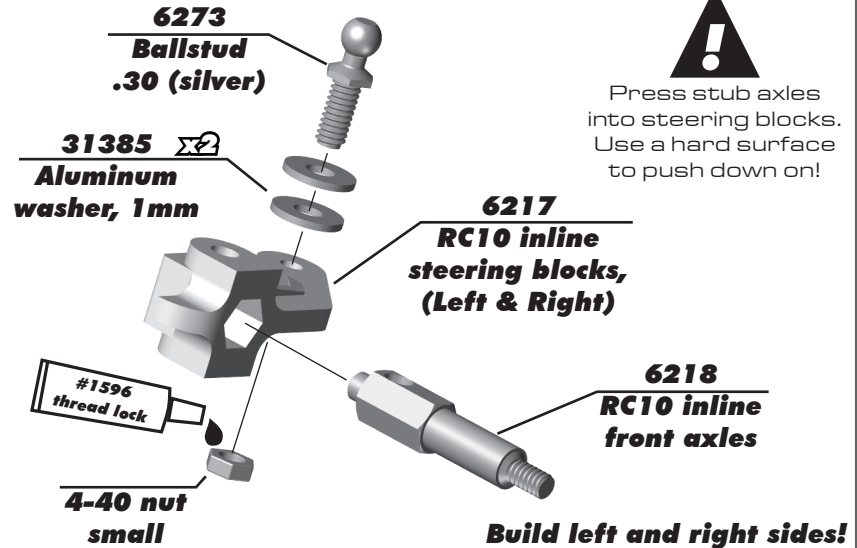


:: Front Arm / Steering Build - Bag B - Step 2

LEFT

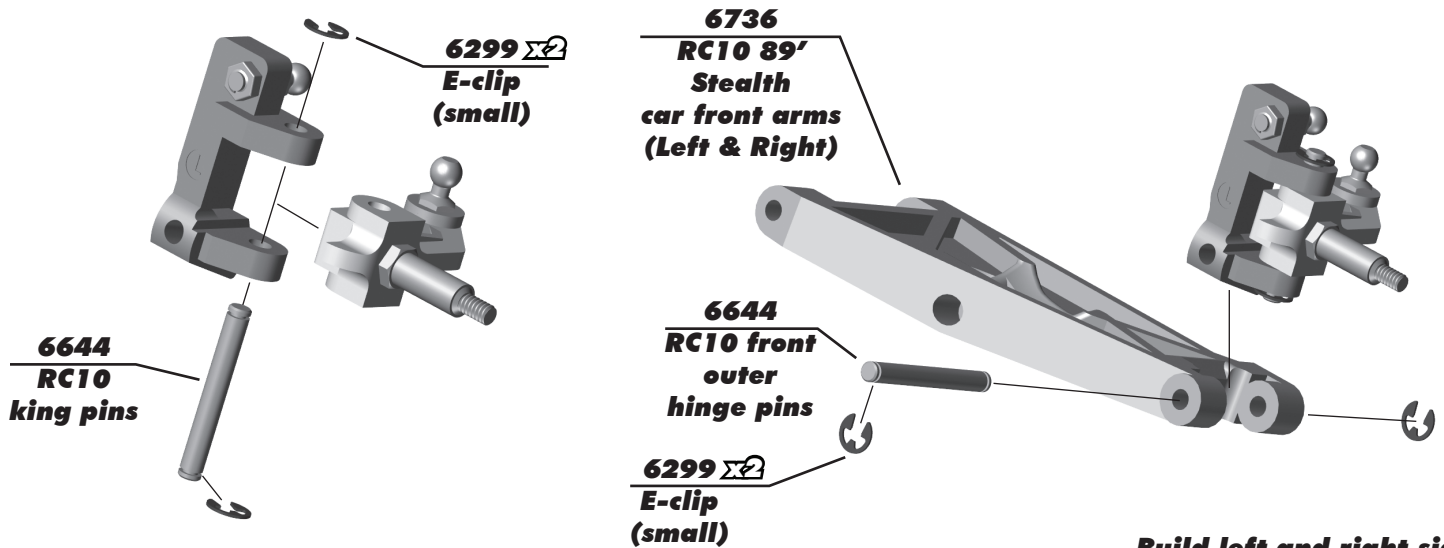


Build left and right sides!

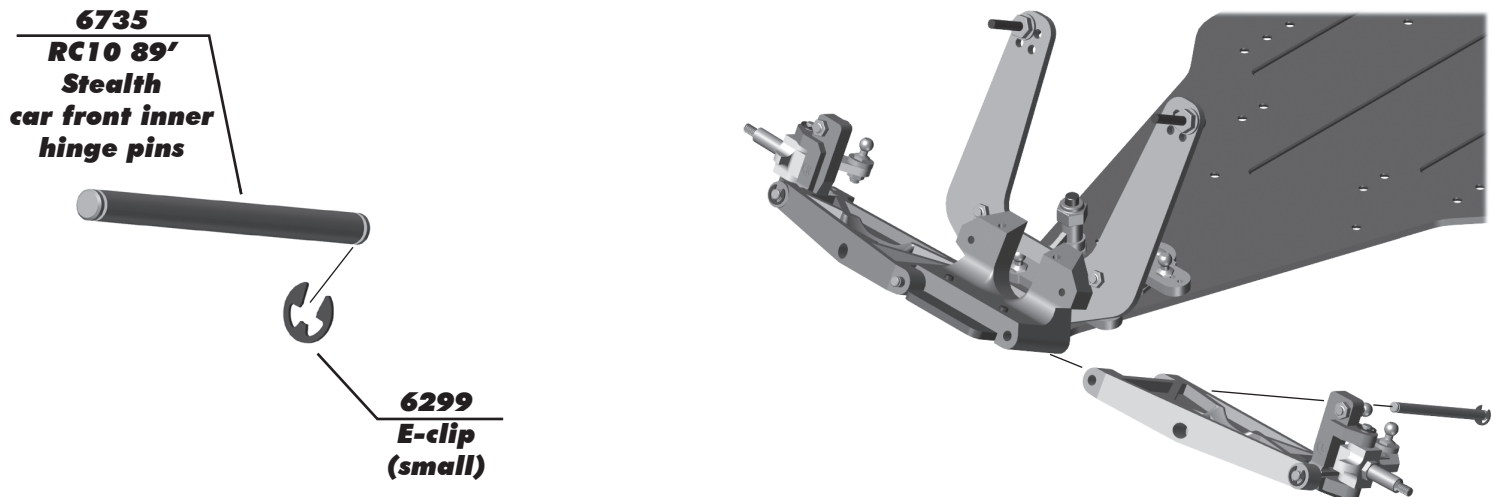


Press stub axles into steering blocks. Use a hard surface to push down on!

:: Front Arm / Steering Build - Bag B - Step 3



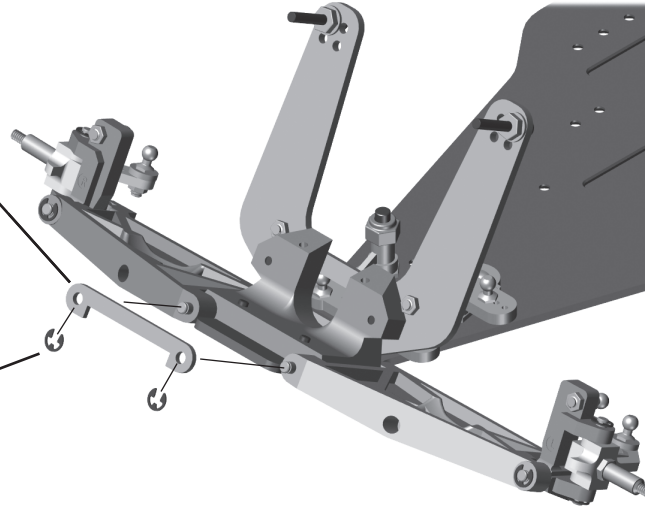
:: Front Arm / Steering Build - Bag B - Step 4



:: Front Arm / Steering Build - Bag B - Step 5

6735
RC10 89'
Stealth
car front inner
hinge pin brace

6299 
E-clip
(small)



:: Transmission Build - Bag C - Step 1

6579
Diff drive
rings

6579
Diff drive
rings

FT DIFF LUBE
#6591

FT DIFF LUBE
#6591

6578
Diff
outdrives

6578
Diff
outdrives

BLACK GREASE
#6588

BLACK GREASE
#6588


Diff thrust
washer

Diff thrust
balls, cage

6573
Diff thrust
bolt



Build Tip:

Install the first washer (grove up),
add grease #6588. Install the
caged thrust washer.
Add grease on top of the balls,
then install the 2nd washer
[grooves down].

:: Transmission Build - Bag C - Step 2

6581 
Carbide diff
balls, 3/32"

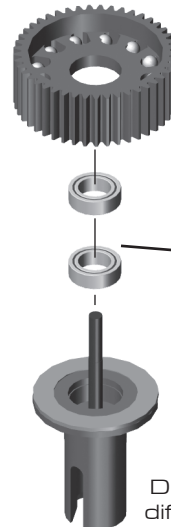
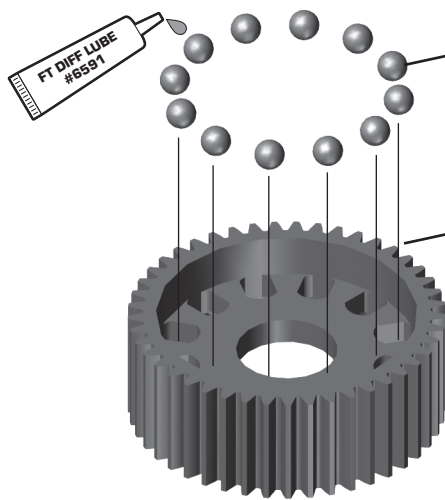
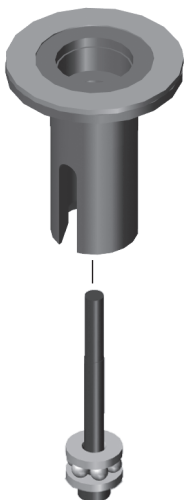
7812
Diff gear
45T

6589 
Bearing
5/32 x 5/16

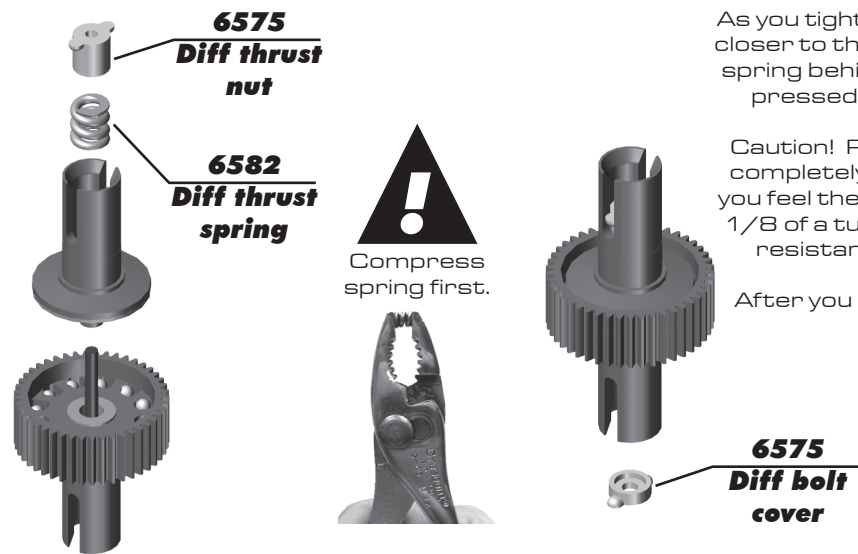


Build Tip:

Do this entire step with the
diff screw on the end of your
wrench for better control.



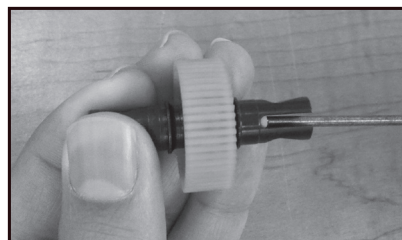
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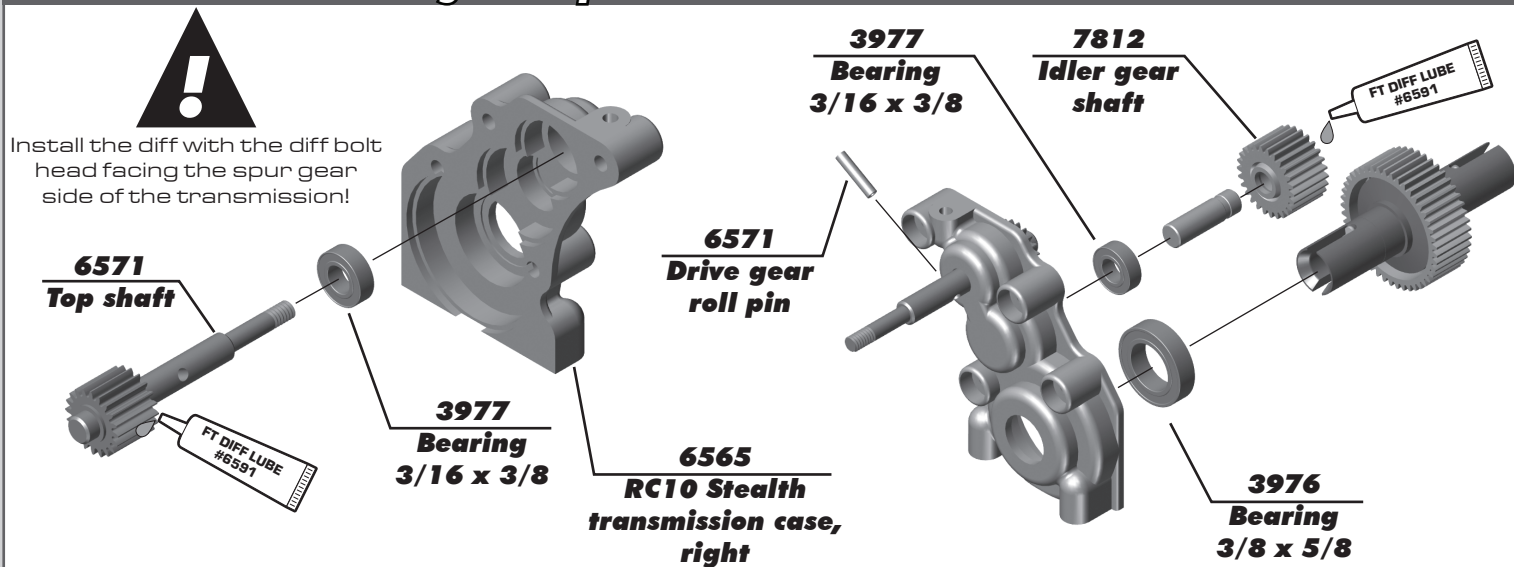
As you tighten the diff bolt, you will notice the T-nut ears moving closer to the bottom of the outdrive slot. This compresses the spring behind the T-nut. The spring should be completely compressed at the time the T-nut reaches the end of the slot.

Caution! Pay close attention to the feeling when the spring is completely compressed. Do not overtighten the bolt. When you feel the spring completely compressed, loosen the diff bolt $1/8$ of a turn. Your diff should now operate smoothly but with resistance as the outdrives move in opposite directions.

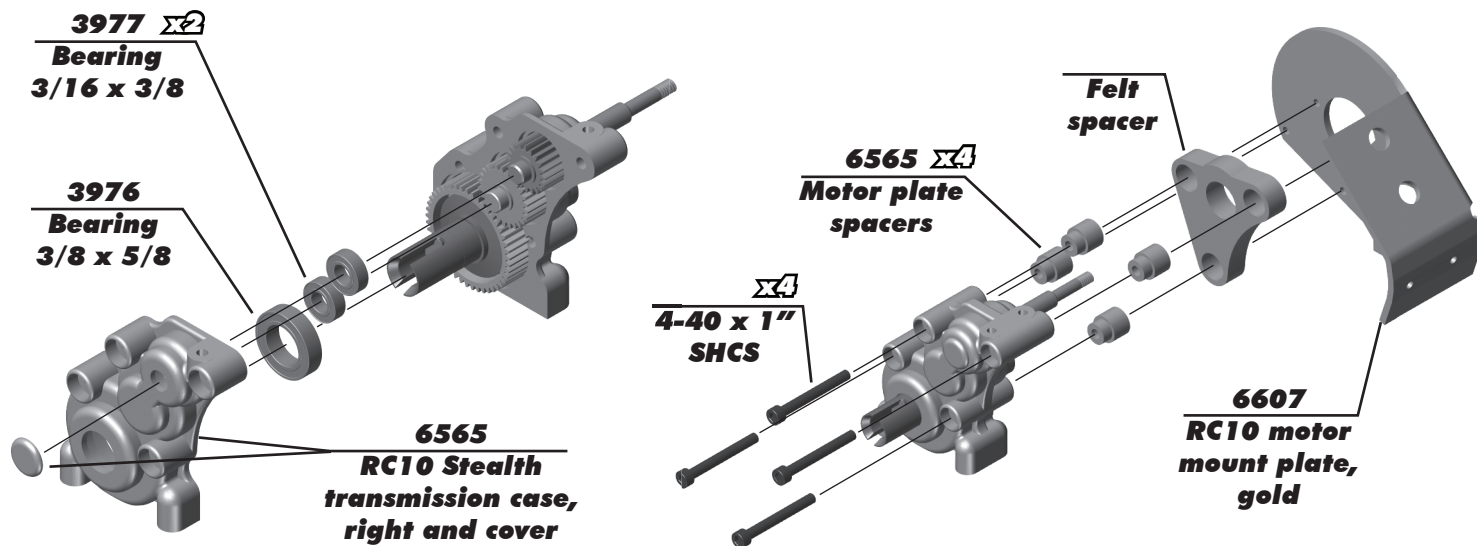
After you have driven the car once, re-check the diff setting.



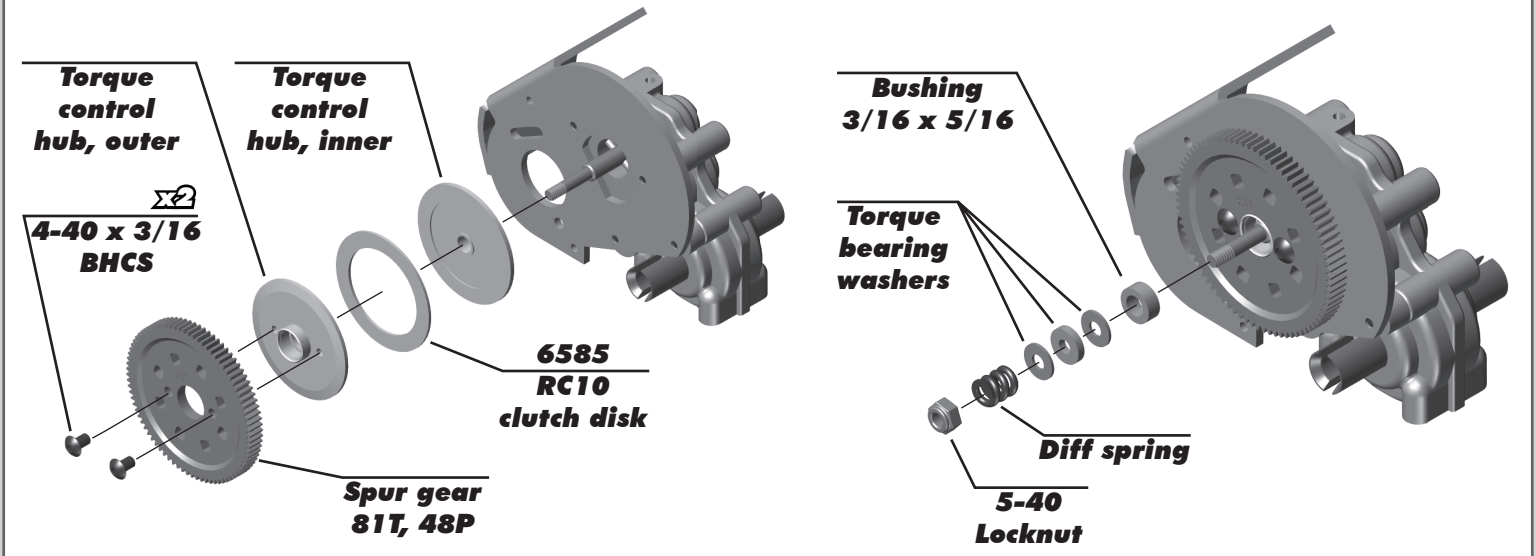
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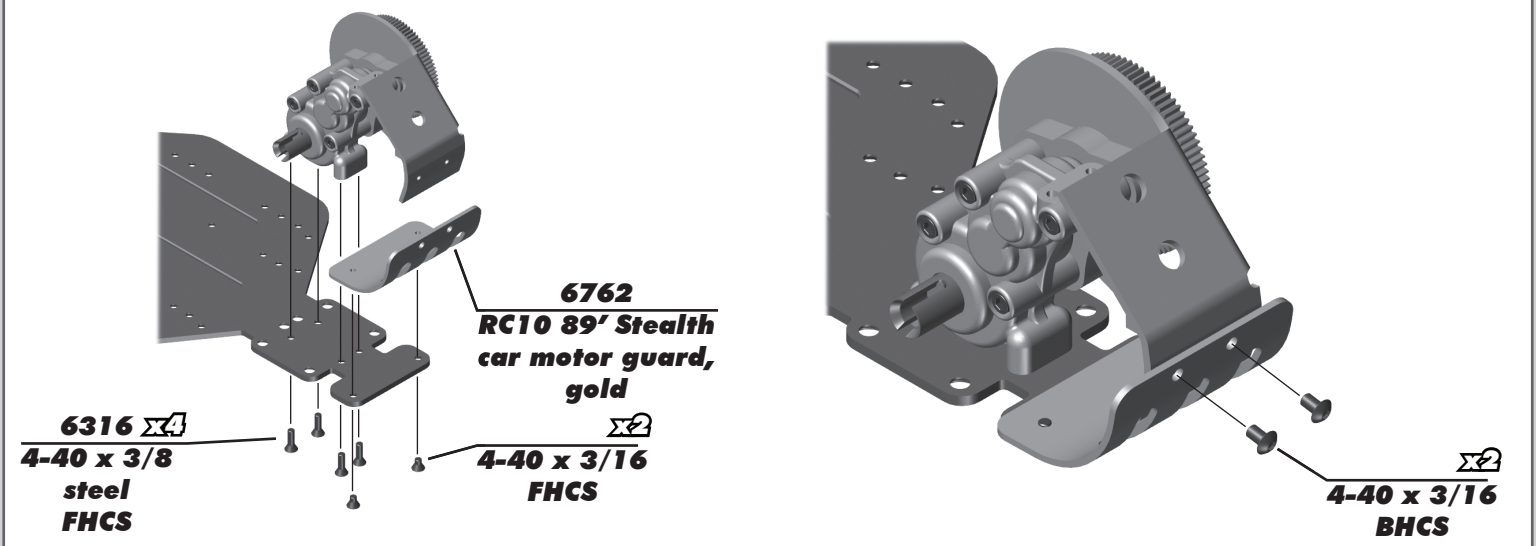
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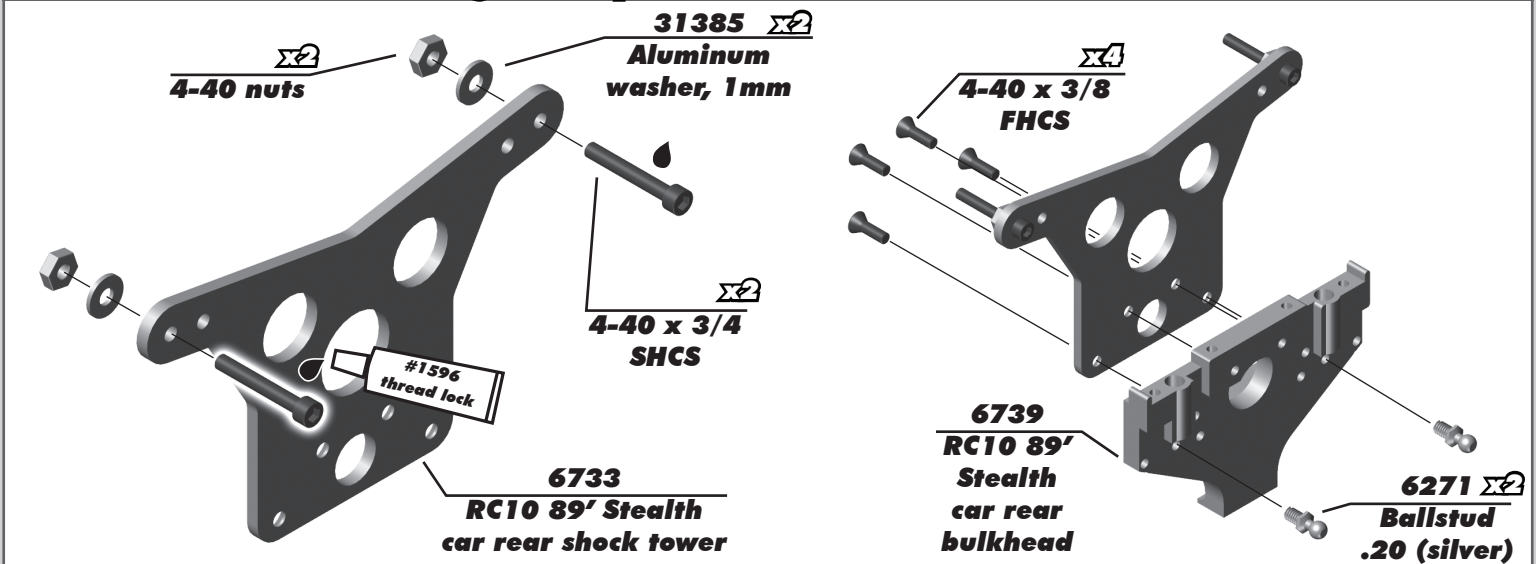
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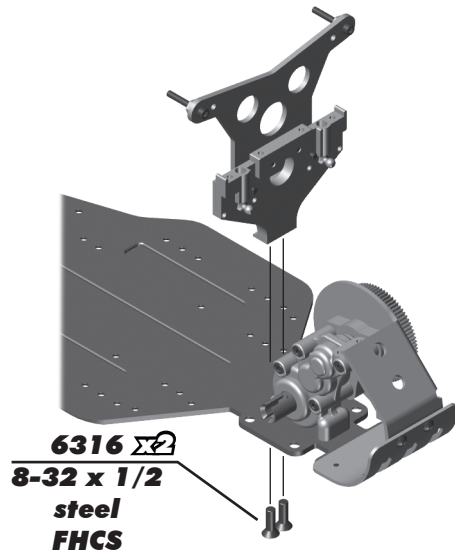
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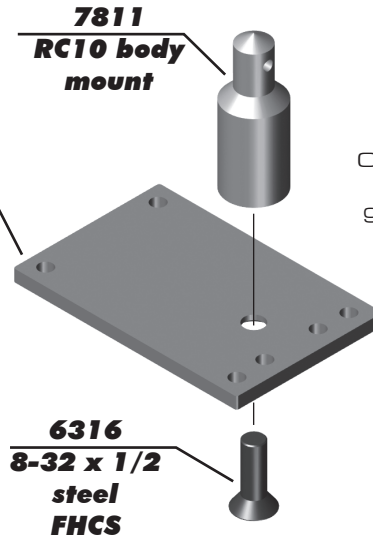
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:: Rear Bulkhead Build - Bag D - Step 2

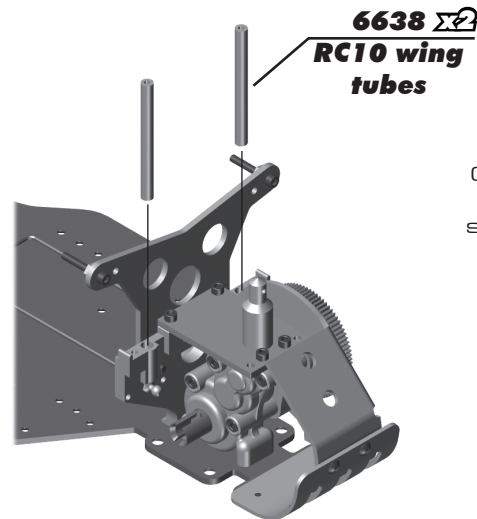
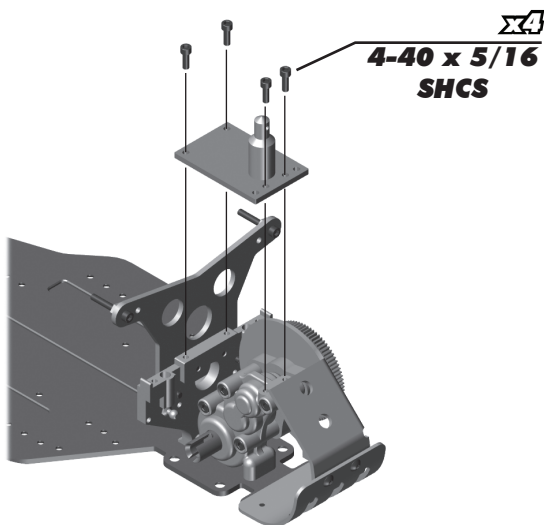


6739
RC10 89' Stealth
car transmission
brace



Optional
Only install rear body
post if you are not
going to trim off the
rear of the body.

:: Rear Bulkhead Build - Bag D - Step 3



Optional
Only install wing tubes
if you plan to use
standard #6648 wing
wire mounts

:: Rear Bulkhead Build - Bag D - Step 4

6373 $\Sigma 3$
Axle
shims,
1/4

6639
RC10 rear
hub carrier
(Left & Right)

6764
RC10 rear
universals,
56.5mm

6374
Roll pin
.1 dia x 3x8

6273
Ballstud
.30 (silver)

#1596
thread lock

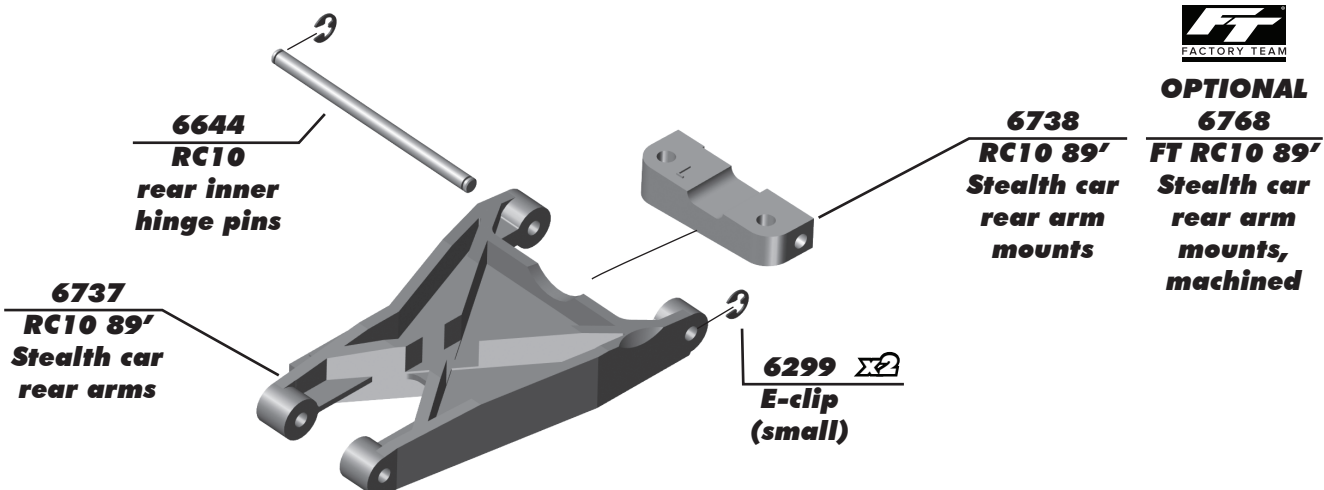
4-40 nut,
small

3977 $\Sigma 2$
Flanged bearing
1/4 x 3/8 x 1/8

Build left and right sides!

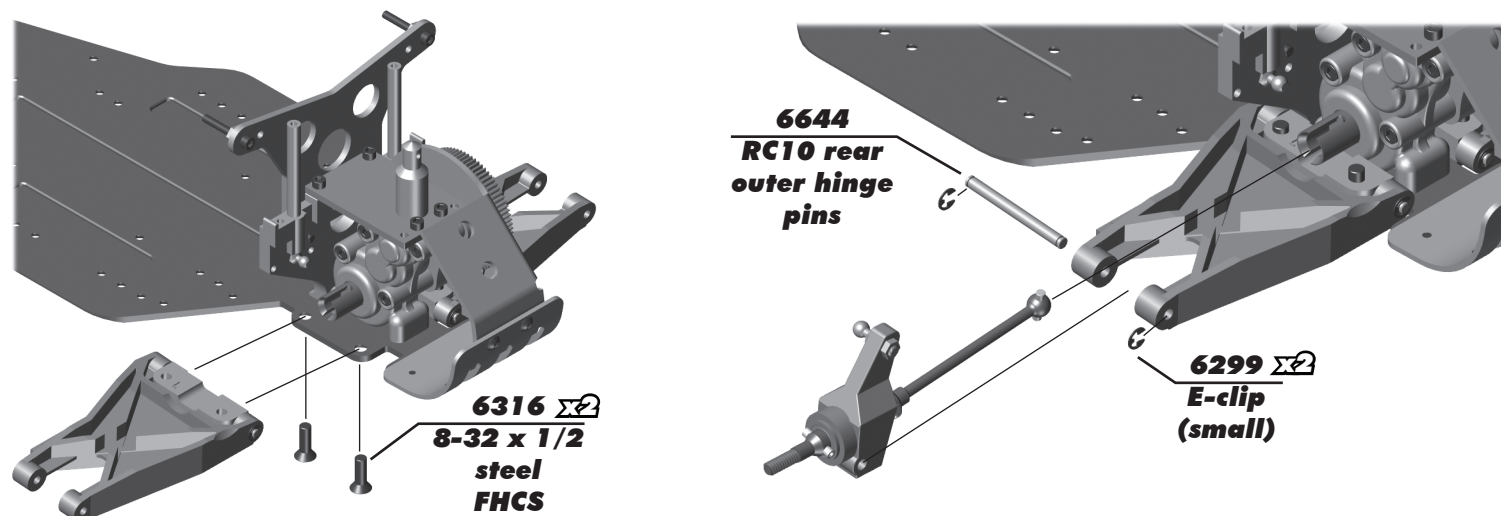
Build left and right sides!

:: Rear Bulkhead Build - Bag D - Step 5



Build left and right sides!

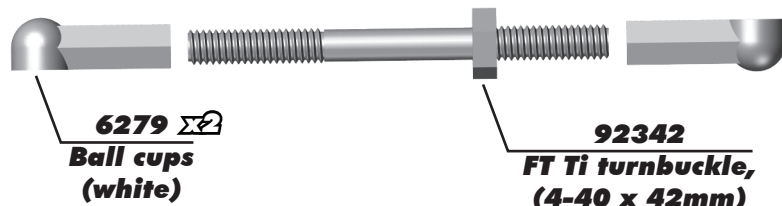
:: Rear Bulkhead Build - Bag D - Step 6



Build left and right sides!

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:: Turnbuckles Build - Bag E - Step 1



Rear Camber Turnbuckle
1.02" (26mm)

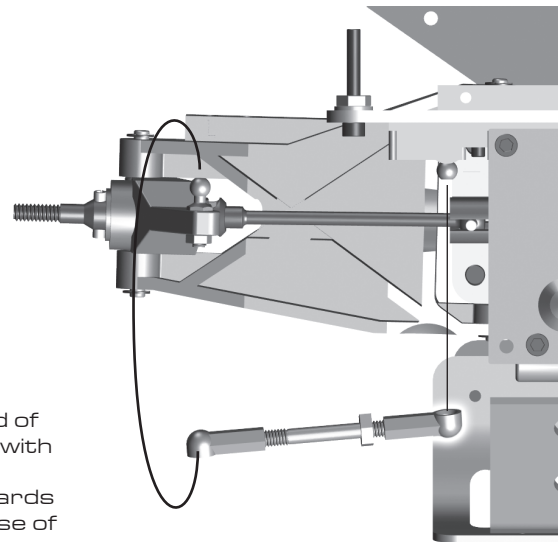


Recommended turnbuckle lengths are approximate. Final recommended settings = 0 degree Front Toe in and -2 Degree Camber Front and Rear.

Build left and right sides!



The adjustment nut on the end of the turnbuckles notes the side with the right hand threads. Masami mounted the nuts towards the outside of the vehicle for ease of adjustment.



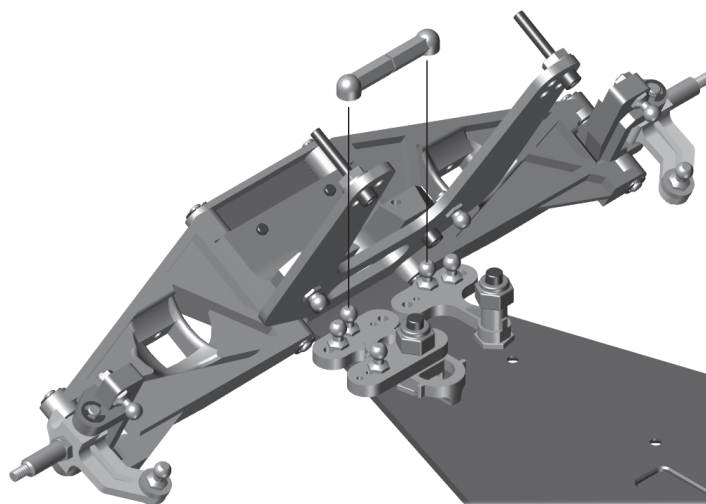
:: Turnbuckles Build - Bag E - Step 2



6279 $\Sigma 2$
Ball cups
(white)

Set screw
4-40 x 5/8

Steering Rack Turnbuckle
1.30" (33mm)



:: Turnbuckles Build - Bag E - Step 3



6279 $\Sigma 2$
Ball cups
(white)

92343
FT Ti turnbuckle,
(4-40 x 52.6mm)

Front Camber Turnbuckle
1.53" (39mm)



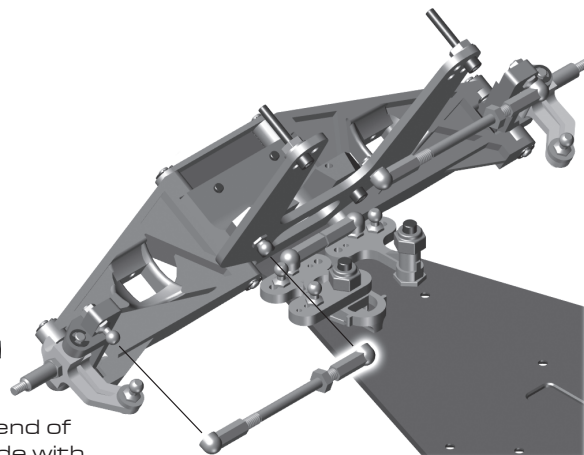
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Build left and right sides!



The adjustment nut on the end of the turnbuckles notes the side with the right hand threads.

Masami mounted the nuts towards the outside of the vehicle for ease of adjustment.



:: Turnbuckles Build - Bag E - Step 4



6279 $\Sigma 2$
Ball cups
(white)

92344
FT Ti turnbuckle,
(4-40 x 60.1mm)

Steering Turnbuckle
1.65" (42mm)



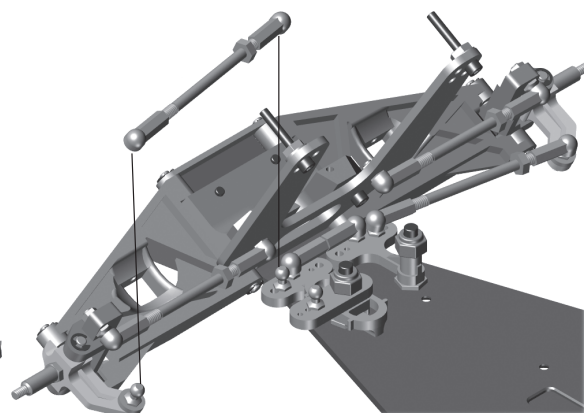
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:: Turnbuckles Build - Bag E - Step 5



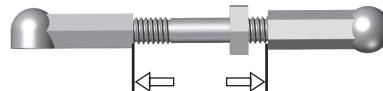
Set aside until you are installing the servo!



6279 $\Sigma 2$
Ball cups
(white)

92341
FT Ti turnbuckle,
(4-40 x 35mm)

Servo Turnbuckle
0.70" (18mm)

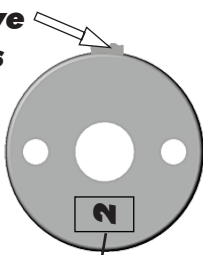


The adjustment nut on the end of the turnbuckles notes the side with the right hand threads. Masami mounted the nuts towards the outside of the vehicle for ease of adjustment.

:: Shocks Build - Bag F - Step 1

Remove spurs

Piston



Piston number here
Use #2 = front shocks
Use #1 = rear shocks



TIP: Use marker to mark the piston numbers for easy identification!

6299
E-clip
(small)

6417
Shock shaft,
front (1.02)

6416
Shock shaft,
rear (1.32)

6420/6462
Shock pistons
(1, 2, 3)

6299
E-clip
(small)

Build two front and two rear!

:: Shocks Build - Bag F - Step 2

5407 $\Sigma 2$
Red o-ring

Remove spurs

Front Shock

6436
FT Hard Anodized shock body, front (1.02)

6420/6462 $\Sigma 2$
Off-road shock rebuild kit

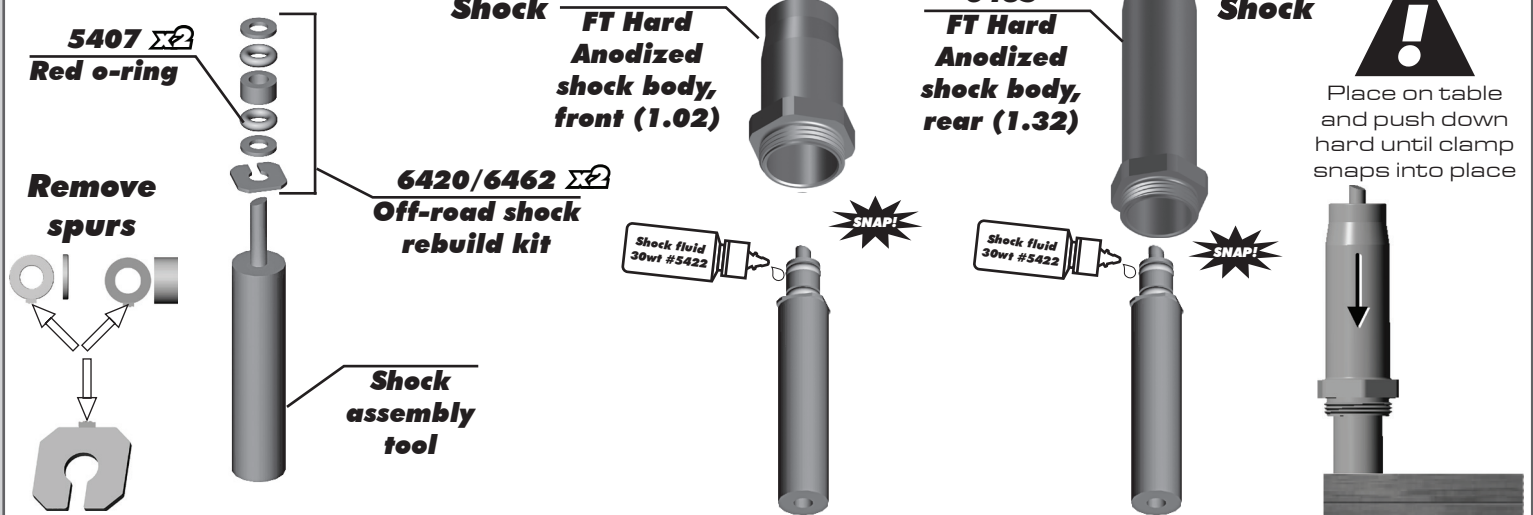
Shock assembly tool

6435
FT Hard Anodized shock body, rear (1.32)

Rear Shock



Place on table and push down hard until clamp snaps into place



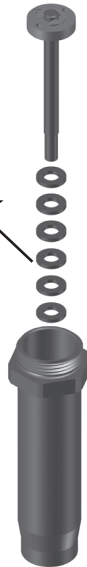
:: Shocks Build - Bag F - Step 3

Front Shock



Rear Shock

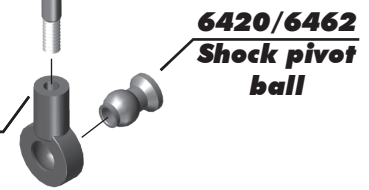
6420/6462 X6 Shock downstops



6420/6462 Shock cap o-ring



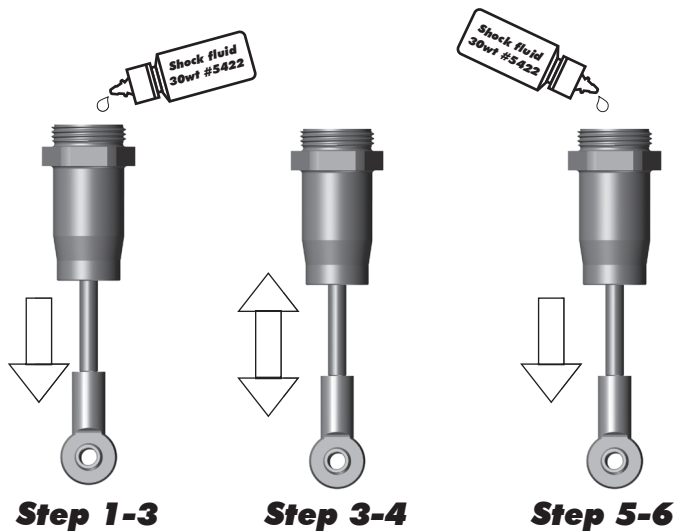
6279 Shock rod end



6420/6462 Shock pivot ball

Build two front and two rear!

:: Shocks Build - Bag F - Step 4



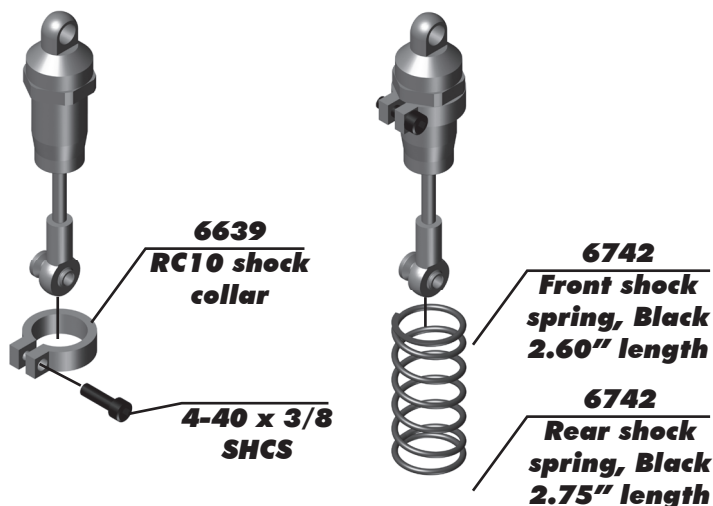
RC10 shock cap
OPTIONAL 6443 Bleeder shock caps



* Shock Bleeding Steps:

1. Pull shock shaft down.
2. Fill shock body 3/4 full with silicone fluid.
3. Slowly move the shock shaft up and down to remove air from under piston.
4. Wait for bubbles to come to surface.
5. Fill shock body to top with silicone fluid.
6. Place several drops of oil in the cap and on cap threads.
7. Install cap and tighten completely.
8. Slowly compress shaft all the way to the top. If there is pressure at the top of the stroke, there is too much oil. You must bleed it out.
9. Slowly pull shaft down.
10. Unscrew the cap 3/4 turn and tilt the shock at a slight angle.
11. Slowly compress the shaft to push out excess oil and air. You should see bubbles coming out from under the cap.
12. With the shaft compressed, tighten the cap and re-check for pressure at the top of the stroke. If there is still pressure, repeat steps 9 thru 11.

:: Shocks Build - Bag F - Step 5



6639 RC10 shock collar

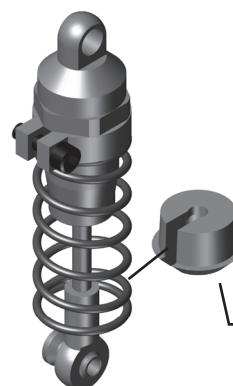
4-40 x 3/8 SHCS

6742

Front shock spring, Black 2.60" length

6742

Rear shock spring, Black 2.75" length

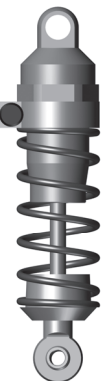


6639 RC10 spring cup



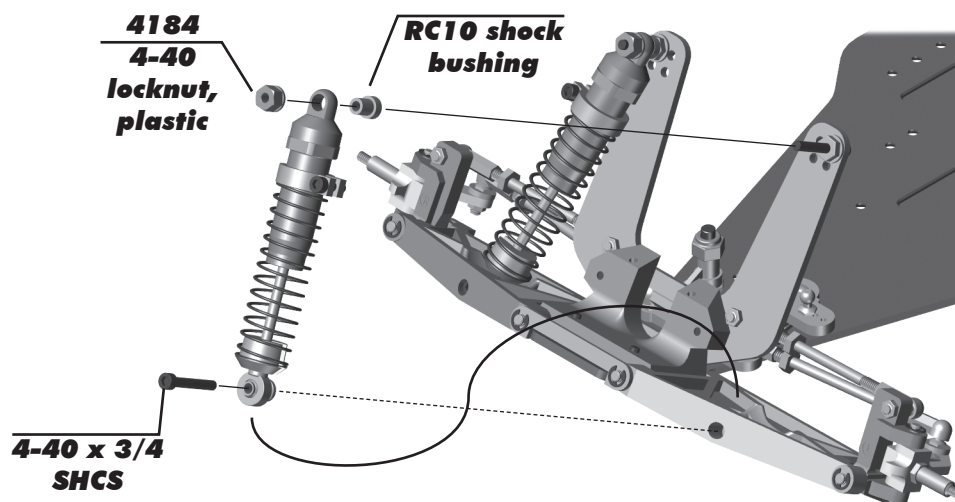
Due to various weights of electronics, these settings may change

Front: 0mm
Rear: 5.5 - 6.5mm



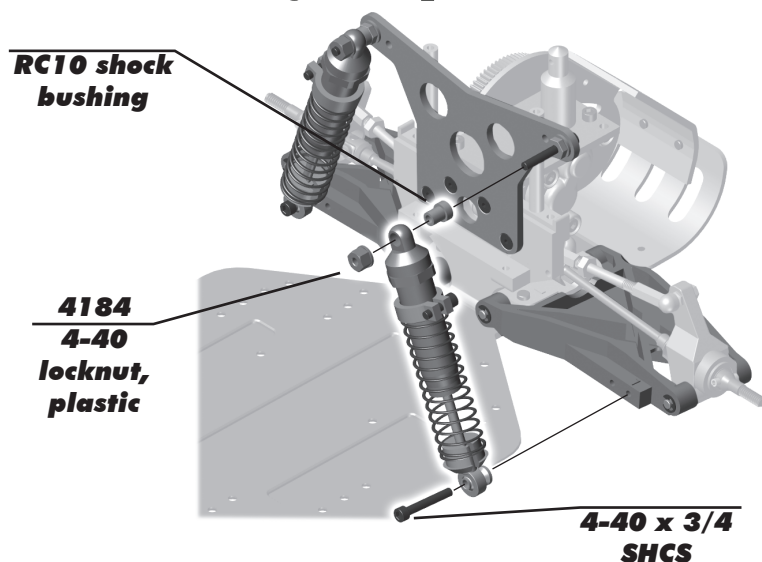
Build two front and two rear!

:: Shocks Build - Bag F - Step 6



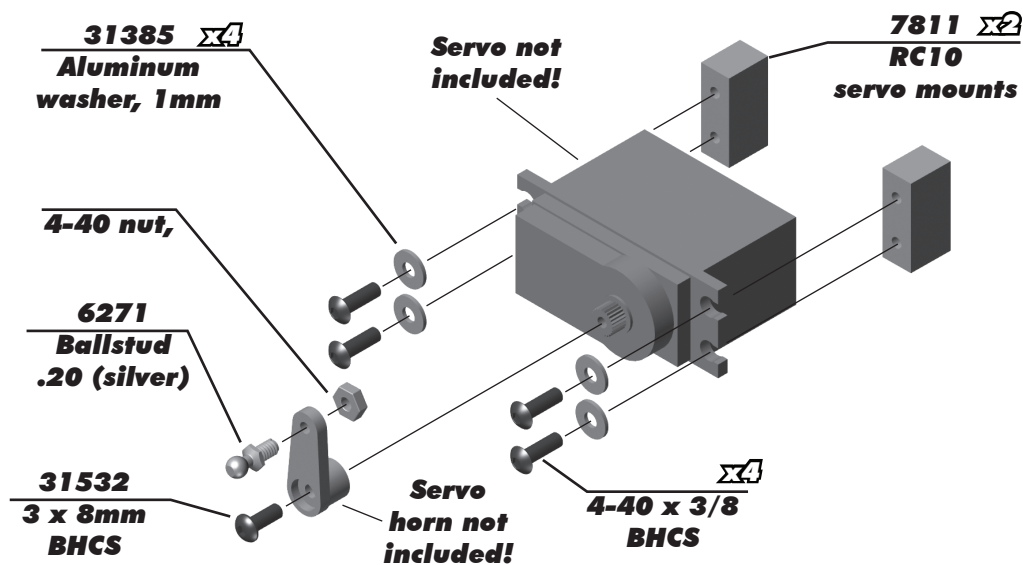
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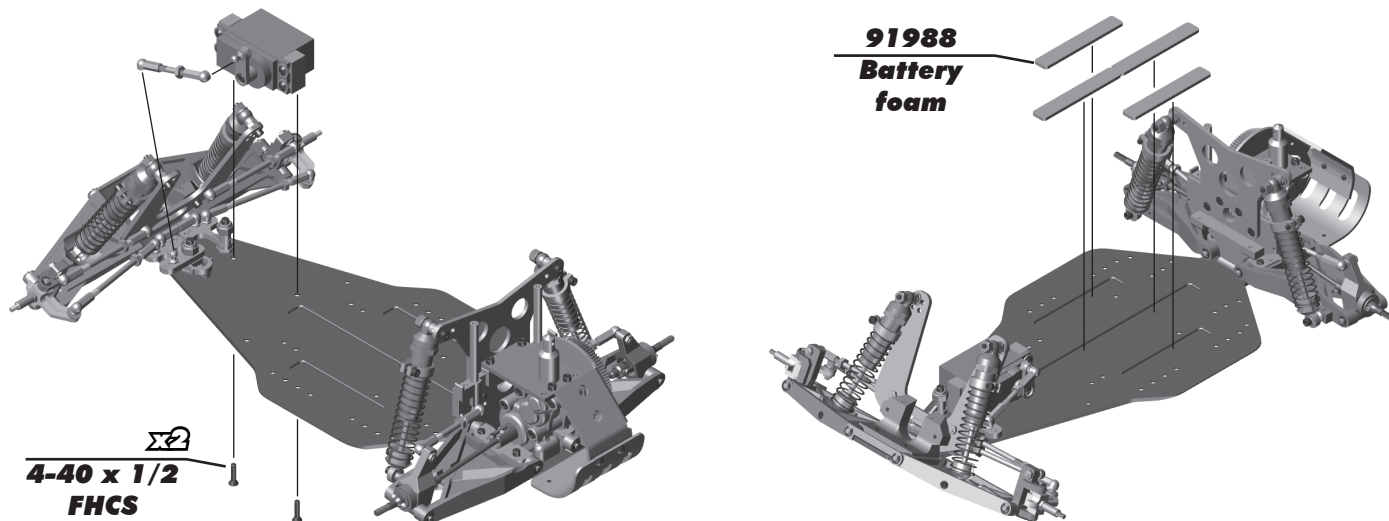


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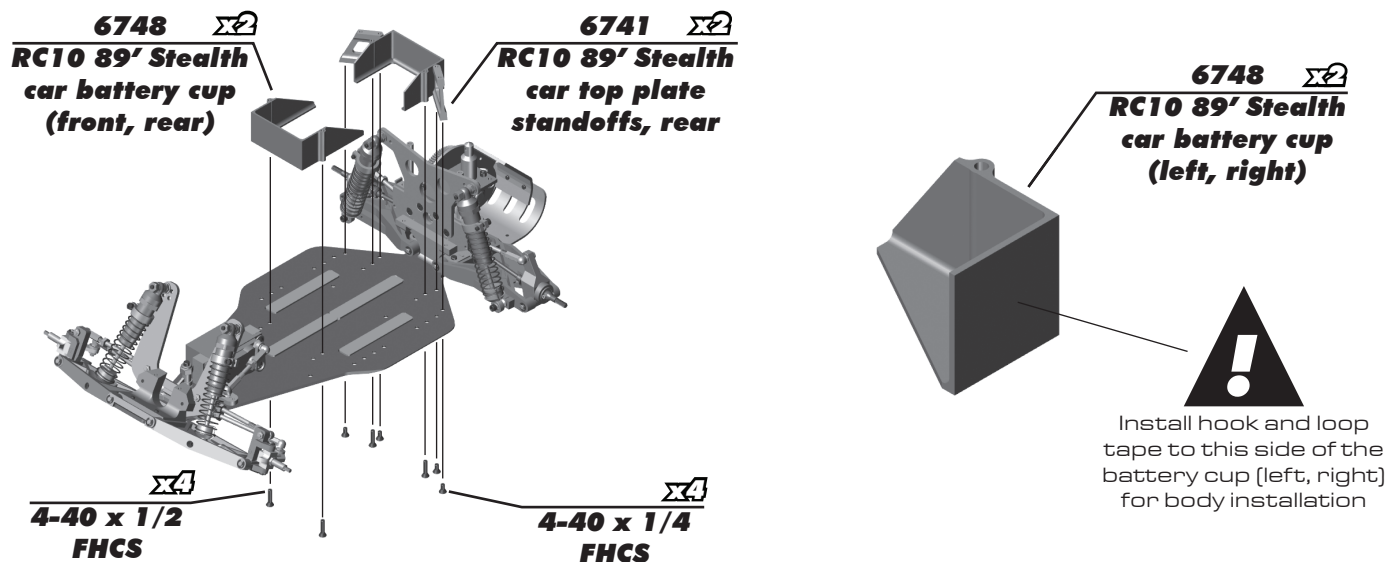
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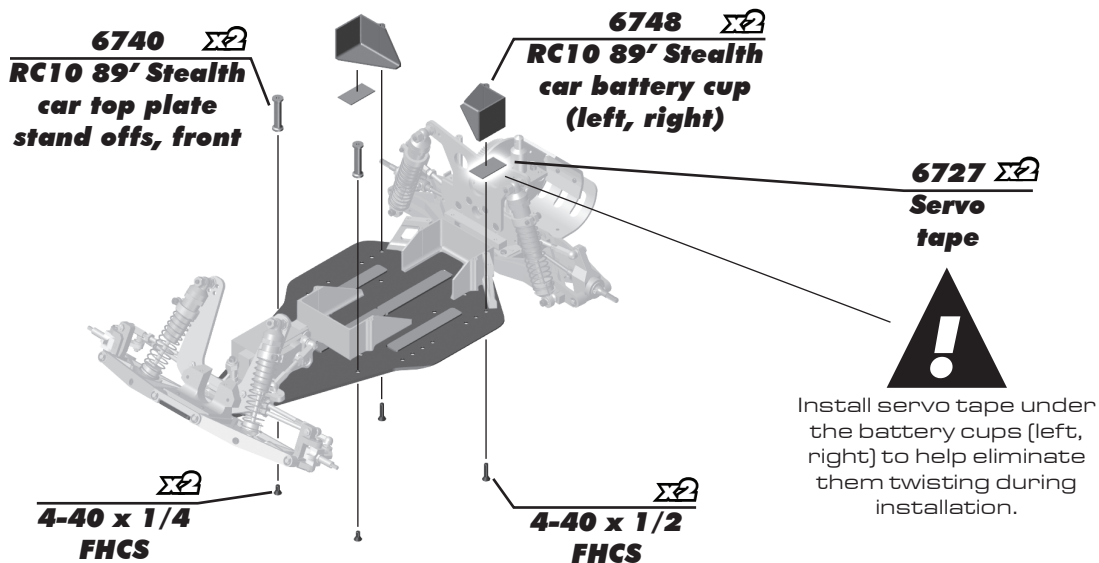
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:: Electronics Build - Bag G - Step 3

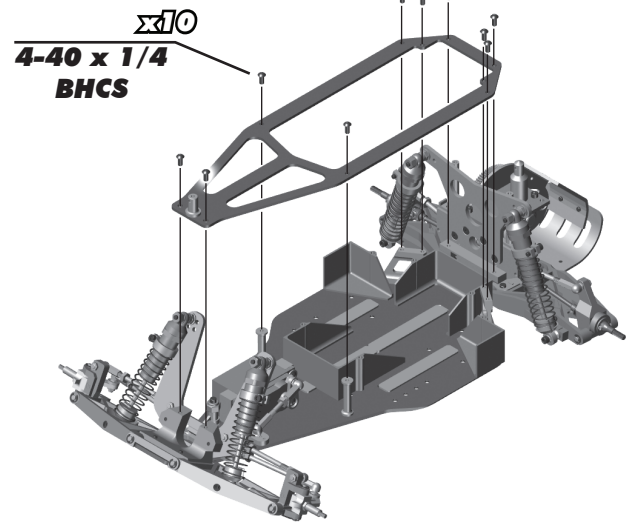
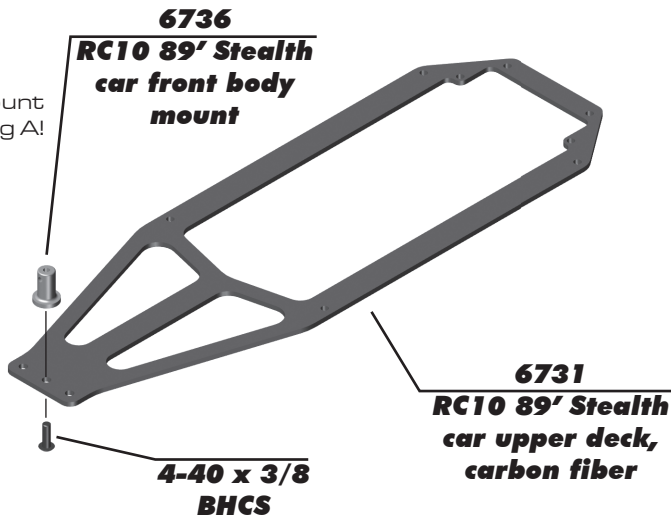


:: Electronics Build - Bag G - Step 4

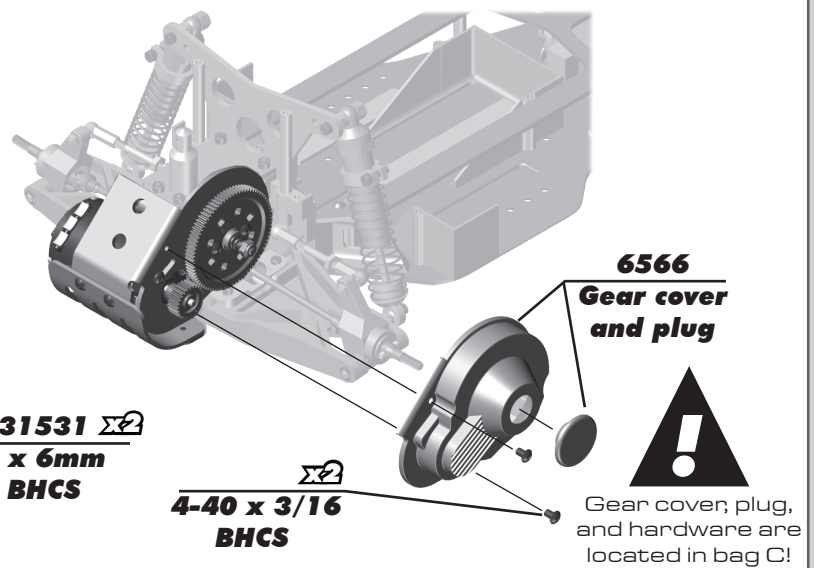
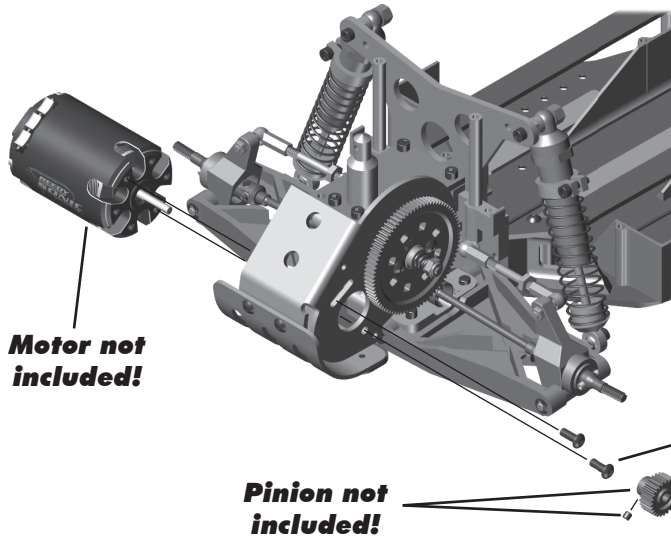


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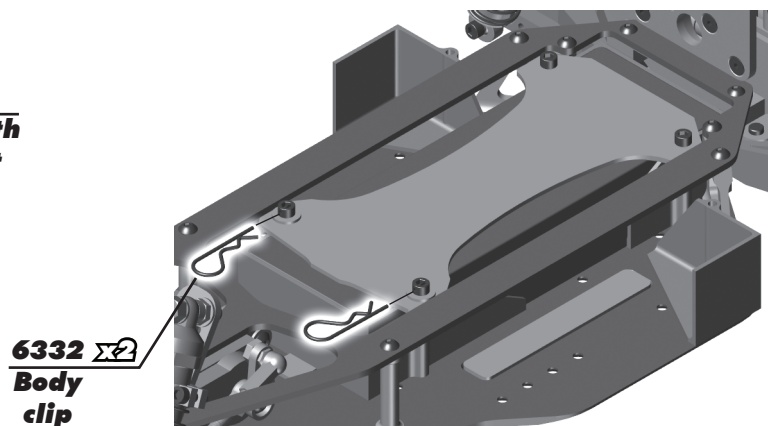
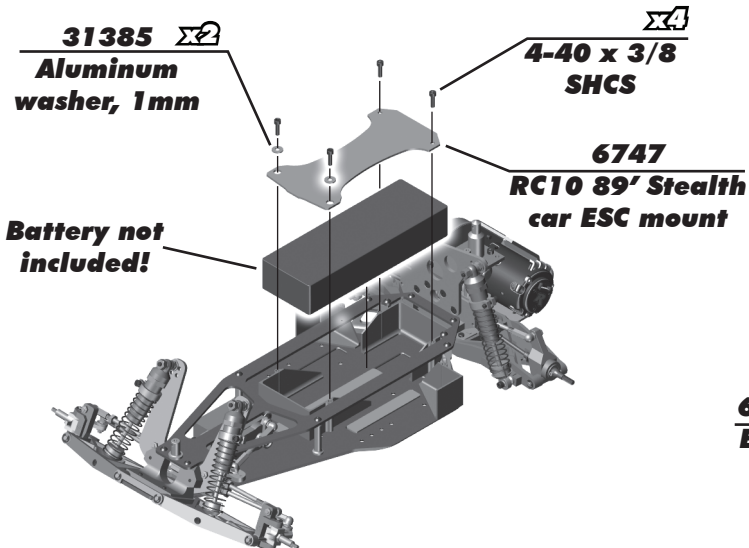
!
Front body mount
is located in bag A!



:: Electronics Build - Bag G - Step 6

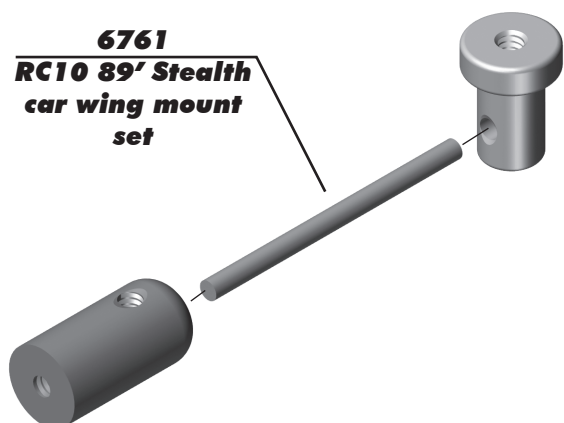


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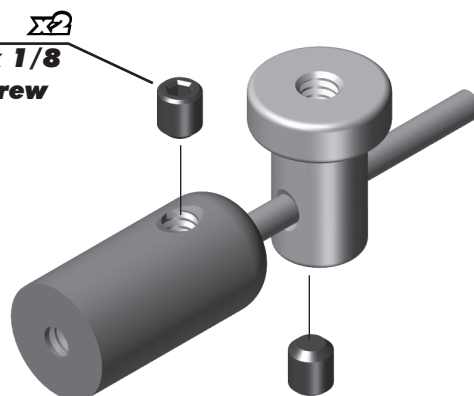


:: Electronics Build - Bag G - Step 8

6761
RC10 89' Stealth
car wing mount
set



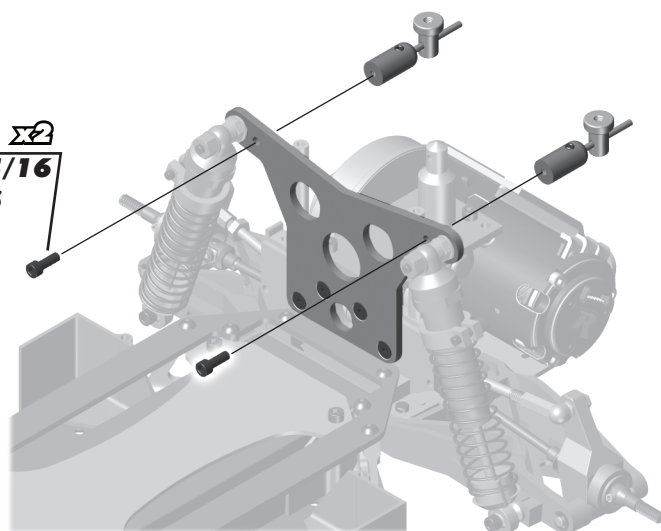
4-40 x 1/8
set screw



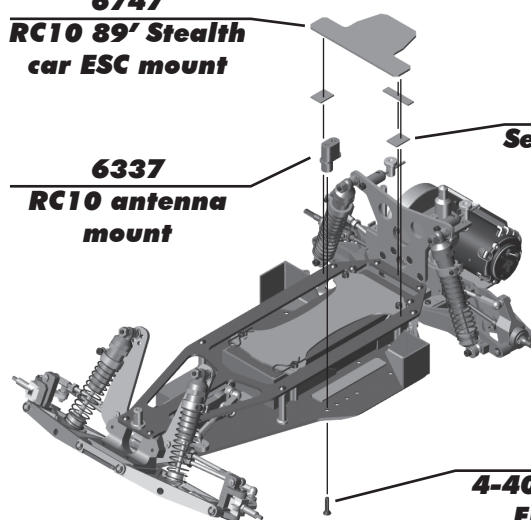
Build 2

:: Electronics Build - Bag G - Step 9

4-40 x 5/16
SHCS



6747
RC10 89' Stealth
car ESC mount



6727 **X3**
Servo tape

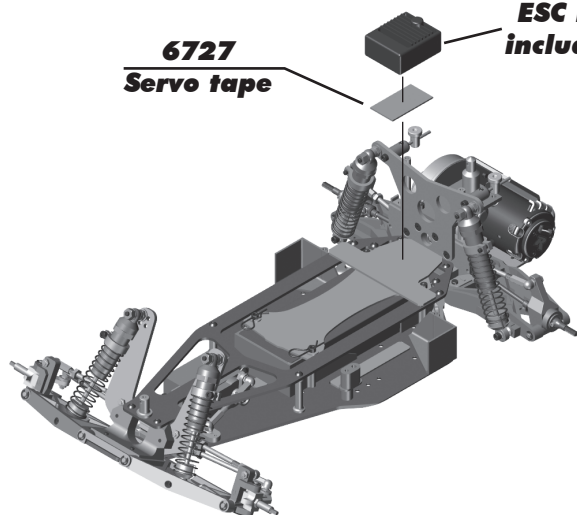
6337
RC10 antenna
mount

4-40 x 1/2
FHCS

:: Electronics Build - Bag G - Step 10

6727
Servo tape

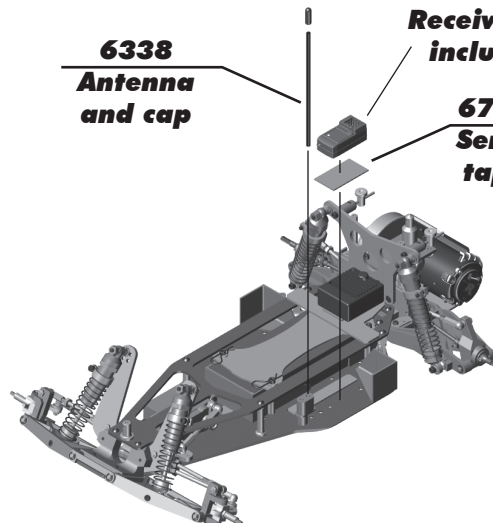
ESC not
included!



6338
Antenna
and cap

Receiver not
included!

6727
Servo tape



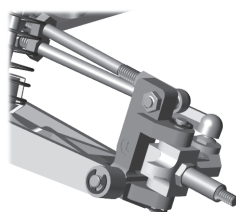
:: Wheels / Tires and Body - Bag H - Step 1

6759
RC10 89'
Stealth car
front tires



Pro Tip!
Front tires may fit tight
on the front wheels.
Use a drop of water to
lubricate the tire bead
during installation.

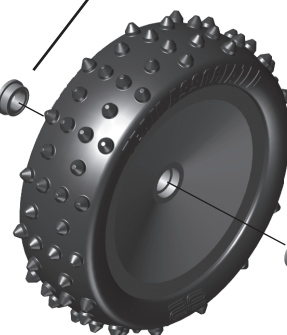
Build 2



6902
Flanged Bearing
3/16 x 5/16 x 1/8



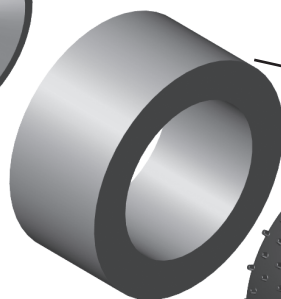
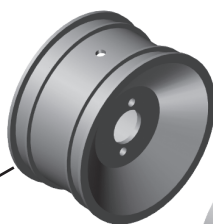
6852
Front wheels,
1 Piece



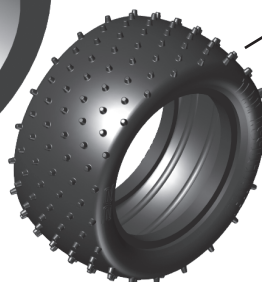
5-40
locknut

:: Wheels / Tires and Body - Bag H - Step 2

6749
RC10 89'
Stealth car
rear wheels,
2.2", pink



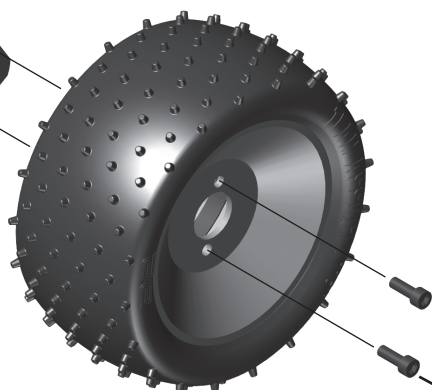
6760
RC10 89'
Stealth car
rear tires,
and inserts



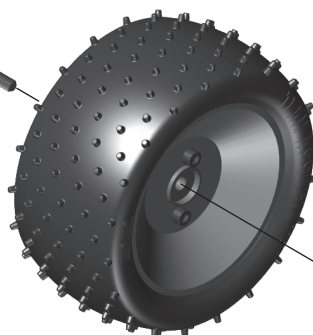
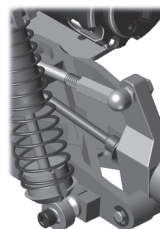
Build 2

:: Wheels / Tires and Body - Bag H - Step 3

6745
RC10 89'
Stealth car
rear wheel
hub



4-40 x 5/16"
SHCS



8-32 steel
locknut

Build 2

:: Wheels / Tires and Body - Bag H - Step 4

Painting Tips:

Your RC 10 Kit comes with a clear polycarbonate body and wing. You will need to prep the body and wing before you can paint them. Wash the inside thoroughly with warm water and liquid detergent. Dry the body and wing using a clean, soft, lint-free cloth. Use high quality masking tape to make masks for the windows and install them on the inside of the body (RC cars get painted from the inside).

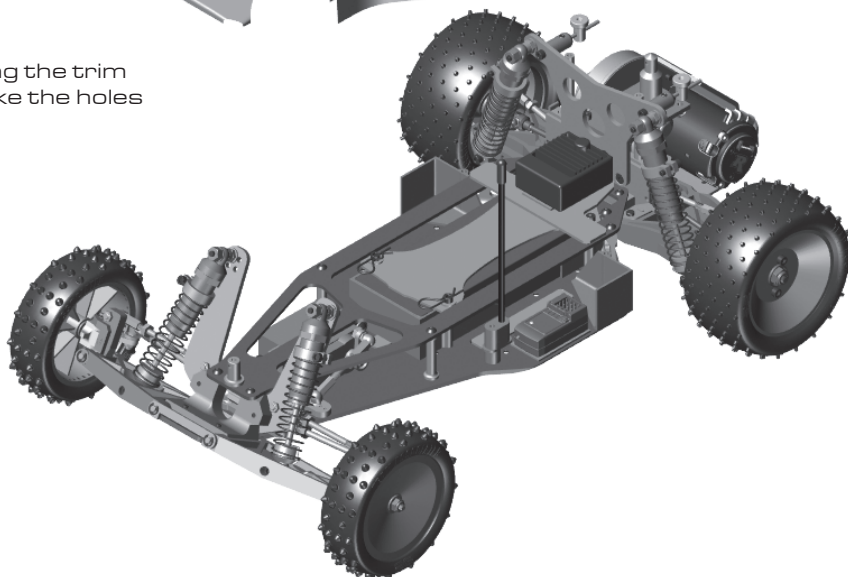
Using high quality masking tape, apply tape to the inside of the body to create a design. Spray (either rattle can or airbrush R/C specific paint) the paint to the inside of the body (preferably dark colors first, lighter colors last).

NOTE: use ONLY paint that is recommended for use with (polycarbonate) plastics. If you do not, you can destroy the plastic body and wing!!!!).

It is recommended to wear a mask while painting.

After the paint has dried, cut the body and wing along the trim lines. Make sure to drill or use a body reamer to make the holes for the body mounts, wing mounts, and antenna!

**6173
RC10
Protech II
body, clear**



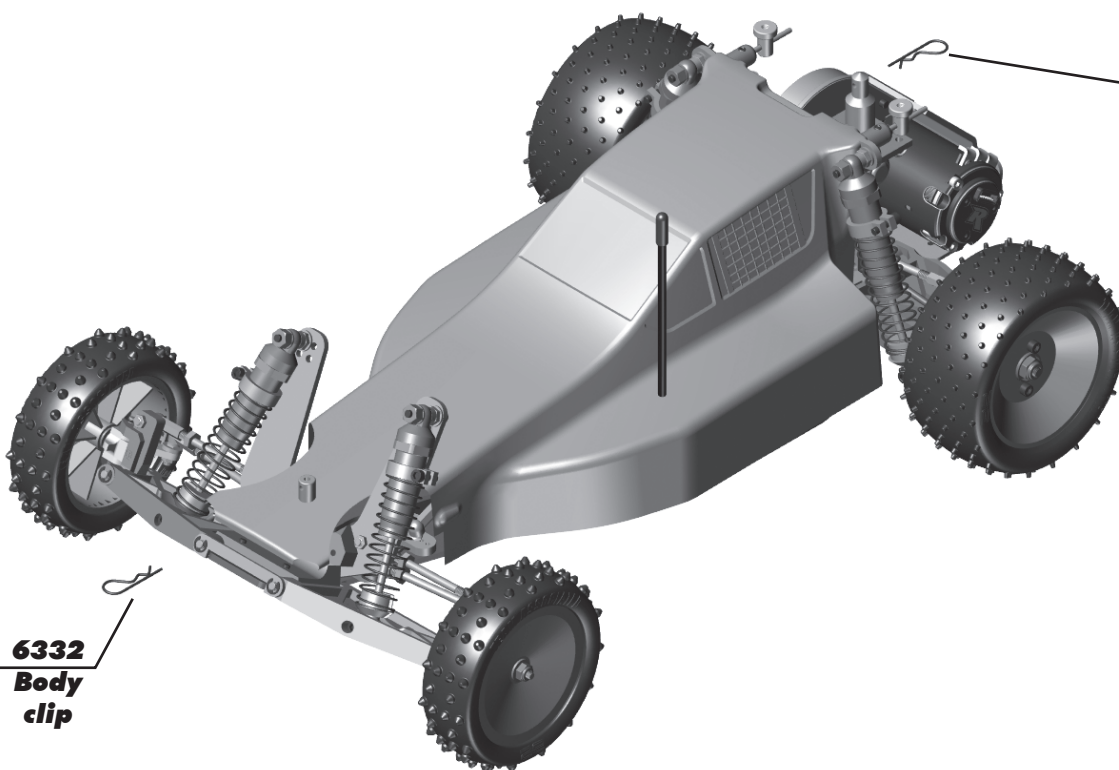
**6332
Body
clip**

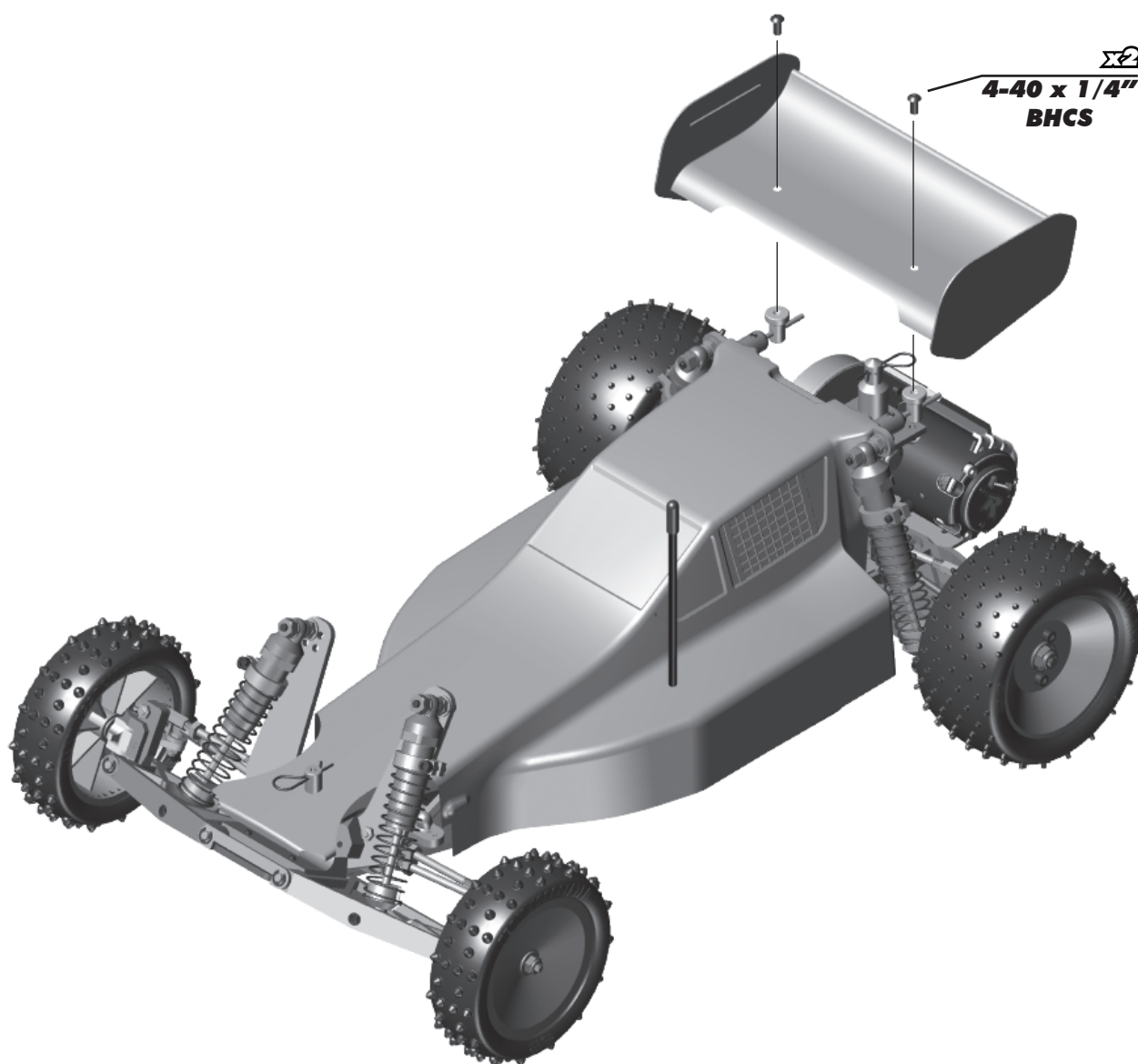
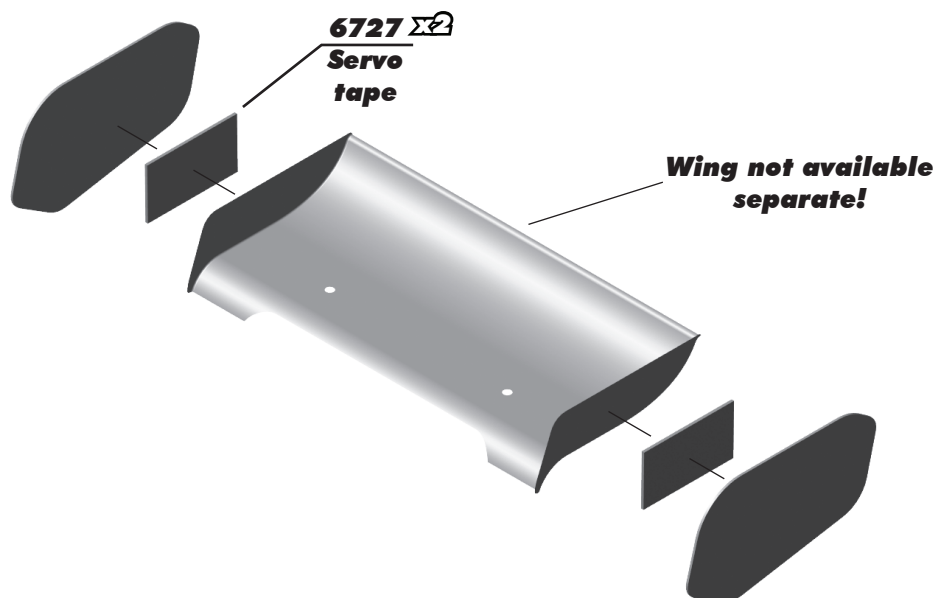


Option

Rear body clip only used if you are not trimming the rear of the body off as pictured.

**6332
Body
clip**



:: Wheels / Tires and Body - Bag H - Step 5



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