

Foden Flatbed Restoration

Posted by gcladd - 05 Apr 2021 18:07

I started this project a number of years ago. At the time I acquired a Foden flatbed (another cheap auction find) that was in pretty bad shape.

I was not sure if I would leave the tailboard off and just make it a flatbed transport, or replace the bed entirely.

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Re: Foden Flatbed Restoration

Posted by Nobleco - 08 Apr 2021 16:38

Nicely done and looks like a match to the original rear board. Great work and good pictures and description. Thanks for showing.

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Re: Foden Flatbed Restoration

Posted by Nobleco - 10 Apr 2021 18:33

I have been inspired by this to do my 502 Foden Flat truck with headboard only. The chassis is not cracked but it is bent in a long curve. It looks like those pre-stressed flat decks I see on our highways here in BC. I have to address that. I have no idea how long this will take me as spring is almost here and the last of the finishing touches will be going on the deck soon and then yard work etc takes up my time during spring. Lots of dead leaves on plants like Iris and Gladiolas that need to be trimmed. Having said that, I woke up to snow on the ground this morning. LOL

I will start a new thread on this truck of mine.

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Re: Foden Flatbed Restoration

Posted by gcladd - 11 Apr 2021 20:05

I have used a product from Japan called Mr. Masking Sol on some of my other models which works good. On this project, after buffing the tow hook to a high gloss, I mixed a drop of food colour in with some Elmer's white craft glue and painted it on. When all other painting was done the butt end of the trailer was put in a dish of water for about an hour and the glue/mask just peeled off.

I did a Corgi Rover 2000 last year on this forum using this method to do two-tone details, but I didn't like the results. I like the paint separation I get with the Mr Masking Sol better for fine detail line separation. It also softens when immersed in water and just peels off.

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Re: Foden Flatbed Restoration

Posted by Tick - 11 Apr 2021 23:22

Nicely done and great creativity and step by step pics of the tail board

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Re: Foden Flatbed Restoration

Posted by peekay - 15 Apr 2021 13:46

Great job on the rear board and an excellent end result. Love that metallic blue - not TOO metallic.

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