

WARNING! CAUTION! DANGER!

batteries. Charging and discharging batteries has the potential for fire, explosion, serious injury, and property damage if not performed per the instructions. Before use, read and follow all manufacturer's instructions, warnings, and precautions. In addition, Lithium Polymer (LiPo) batteries pose a SEVERE risk of fire if not properly handled per the instructions and require special care and handling procedures for long life and safe operation. LiPo batteries are intended only for advanced users that are educated on the risks associated with LiPo battery use. Traxxas does not recommend that anyone under the age of 14 use or handle LiPo battery packs without the supervision of a knowledgeable and responsible adult. Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions.

Important Warnings for users of Lithium Polymer (LiPo) batteries:

- LiPo batteries have a minimum safe discharge voltage threshold that should not be exceeded. The electronic speed control is equipped with built-in Low-Voltage Detection that alerts the driver when LiPo batteries have reached their minimum voltage (discharge) threshold. It is the driver's responsibility to stop immediately to prevent the battery pack from being discharged below its safe minimum threshold.
- Low-Voltage Detection is just one part of a comprehensive plan for safe LiPo battery use. It is critical to follow all instructions for safe and proper charging, use, and storage of LiPo batteries. Make sure you understand how to use your LiPo batteries. If you have questions about LiPo battery usage, please consult with your local hobby dealer or contact the battery manufacturer. As a reminder, all batteries should be recycled at the end of their useful life.
- ONLY use a Lithium Polymer (LiPo) balance charger with a balance adapter port to charge LiPo batteries. Never use NiMH or NiCadtype chargers or charge modes to charge LiPo batteries. DO NOT charge with a NiMH-only charger. The use of a NiMH or NiCad charger or charge mode will damage the batteries and may cause fire and personal injury.
- NEVER charge LiPo battery packs in series or parallel. Charging packs in series or parallel may result in improper charger cell recognition and an improper charging rate that may lead to overcharging, cell imbalance, cell damage, and fire.
- ALWAYS inspect your LiPo batteries carefully before charging.
 Look for any loose leads or connectors, damaged wire insulation,
 damaged cell packaging, impact damage, fluid leaks, swelling
 (a sign of internal damage), cell deformity, missing labels, or
 any other damage or irregularity. If any of these conditions are
 observed, do not charge or use the battery pack. Follow the
 disposal instructions included with your battery to properly and
 safely dispose of the battery.
- DO NOT store or charge LiPo batteries with or around other batteries or battery packs of any type, including other LiPos.
- Store and transport your battery pack(s) in a cool dry place. DO NOT store in direct sunlight. DO NOT allow the storage temperature to exceed 140°F or 60°C, such as in the trunk of a car, or the cells may be damaged and create a fire risk.
- DO NOT disassemble LiPo batteries or cells.
- DO NOT attempt to build your own LiPo battery pack from loose cells.

Charging and handling precautions for all battery types:

 BEFORE you charge, ALWAYS confirm that the charger settings exactly match the type (chemistry), specification, and configuration of the battery to be charged.

- DO NOT attempt to charge non-rechargeable batteries (explosion hazard), batteries that have an internal charge circuit or a protection circuit, batteries that have been altered from original manufacturer configuration, or batteries that have missing or unreadable labels, preventing you from properly identifying the battery type and specifications.
- DO NOT exceed the maximum manufacturer recommended charge rate.
- DO NOT let any exposed battery contacts or wires touch each other. This will cause the battery to short circuit and create the risk of fire.
- While charging or discharging, ALWAYS place the battery (all types of batteries) in a fire retardant/fire proof container and on a nonflammable surface such as concrete.
- DO NOT charge batteries inside of an automobile. DO NOT charge batteries while driving in an automobile.
- NEVER charge batteries on wood, cloth, carpet, or on any other flammable material.
- · ALWAYS charge batteries in a well-ventilated area.
- REMOVE flammable items and combustible materials from the charging area.
- DO NOT leave the charger and battery unattended while charging, discharging, or anytime the charger is ON with a battery connected. If there are any signs of a malfunction or in the event of an emergency, unplug the charger from the power source and disconnect the battery from the charger.
- DO NOT operate the charger in a cluttered space, or place objects on top of the charger or battery.
- If any battery or battery cell is damaged in any way, DO NOT charge, discharge, or use the battery.
- Keep a Class D fire extinguisher nearby in case of fire.
- DO NOT disassemble, crush, short circuit, or expose the batteries to flame or other source of ignition. Toxic materials could be released. If eye or skin contact occurs, flush with water.
- If a battery gets hot to the touch during the charging process (temperature greater than 110°F / 43°C), immediately disconnect the battery from the charger and discontinue charging.
- Allow the battery pack to cool off between runs (before charging).
- ALWAYS unplug the charger and disconnect the battery when not in use.
- ALWAYS unplug the battery from the electronic speed control when the model is not in use and when it is being stored or transported.
- DO NOT disassemble the charger.
- REMOVE the battery from your model or device before charging.
- DO NOT expose the charger to water or moisture.
- ALWAYS store battery packs safely out of the reach of children or pets. Children should always have adult supervision when charging and handling batteries.
- Nickel-Metal Hydride (NiMH) batteries must be recycled or disposed of properly.
- Always proceed with caution and use good common sense at all times.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

All of us at Traxxas want you to safely enjoy your new model. Operate your model sensibly and with care, and it will be exciting, safe, and fun for you and those around you. Failure to operate your model in a safe and responsible manner may result in property damage and serious injury. The precautions outlined in this manual should be strictly followed to help ensure safe operation. You alone must see that the instructions are followed and the precautions are adhered to.

Important Points to Remember

- Your model is not intended for use on public roads or congested areas where its operation can conflict with or disrupt pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- Never, under any circumstances, operate the model in crowds of people. Your model is very fast and could cause injury if allowed to collide with anyone.
- Because your model is controlled by radio, it is subject to radio interference from many sources that are beyond your control. Since radio interference can cause momentary losses of radio control, always allow a safety margin in all directions around the model in order to prevent collisions.
- The motor, battery, and speed control can become hot during use. Be careful to avoid getting burned.
- Don't operate your model at night, or anytime your line of sight to the model may be obstructed or impaired in any way.

Speed Control

Your model's electronic speed control (ESC) is an extremely powerful electronic device capable of delivering high current. Please closely follow these precautions to prevent damage to the speed control or other components.

- **Disconnect the Battery:** Always disconnect the battery or batteries from the speed control when not in use.
- Insulate the Wires: Always insulate exposed wiring with heat shrink tubing to prevent short circuits.
- **Transmitter on First:** Switch on your transmitter first before switching on the speed control to prevent runaways and erratic performance.
- Don't Get Burned: The ESC and motor can become extremely hot during use, so be careful not to touch them until they cool. Supply adequate airflow for cooling.
- Use the Factory-Installed Connectors: Do not change the battery and motor connectors. Improper wiring can cause fire or damage to the ESC. Please note that modified speed controls can be subject to a rewiring fee when returned for service.

- **No Reverse Voltage:** The ESC is not protected against reverse polarity voltage.
- No Schottky Diodes: External Schottky diodes are not compatible with reversing speed controls. Using a Schottky diode with your Traxxas speed control will damage the ESC and void the 30-day warranty.
- Always adhere to the minimum and maximum limitations of the speed control as stated in the specifications table in the Owner's Manual. If your ESC operates on two batteries, do not mix battery types and capacities. Use the same voltage and capacity for both batteries. Using mismatched battery packs could damage the batteries and electronic speed control.

Recycling Traxxas Power Cell NiMH Batteries

Traxxas strongly encourages you to recycle Power Cell NiMH batteries when they reach the end of their useful life. Do not throw batteries in the trash. All Power Cell NiMH battery packs display the RBRC (Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation) icon, indicating they are recyclable. To find a recycling center near you, ask your local hobby dealer or visit www.call2recycle.org.

Thank you for purchasing the Traxxas Stampede 4x4 unassembled kit. Whether you're going through muddy water crossings or just having fun crushing your buddies' cars, the Stampede 4x4 just doesn't know when to quit. The Stampede 4x4 is overbuilt and Traxxas Tough to withstand all the 4-wheel drive monster mayhem you can dish out. Its tall, drive-over-anything ground clearance and ultratough, long-arm suspension make Stampede 4x4 feel nearly indestructible. Chrome All-Star™ 2.8″ wheels give Stampede 4x4 aggressive style, and soft Chevron Maxx™ tires deliver true multi-terrain capability.

This manual details the assembly of the Stampede 4x4. This manual will also acquaint you with the model's many different components and its mechanical operation. Read through the manual and examine the model carefully before opening any of the parts bags included in the kit. If for some reason you think the model is not what you wanted, then do not continue any further. Your hobby dealer absolutely cannot accept a model for return or exchange which has been run or contains open bags.

If you have any questions about your Stampede 4x4, call Traxxas' technical support department at 1-888-TRAXXAS (1-888-872-9927) (U.S. residents only). Outside the U.S., call +1-972-549-3000). Technical support is available Monday through Friday, from 8:30am to 9:00pm central time. Technical assistance is also available at Traxxas.com/support or via e-mail at support@Traxxas.com.

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ASSEMBLY HINTS

To assemble this kit, you'll need a large flat working area where you will have plenty of room to build. Be sure it's a place where you can leave your work spread out and not in the way when you want to take a break from the assembly. Allow yourself plenty of time to build this kit; assembly time is going to vary with each individual. Experienced builders may only need 4-5 hours to assemble this kit, while others may spend an entire weekend on it. You should feel comfortable with taking as much time as needed to properly build and set up your model.

If you've been exploring the contents of your kit box, you've noticed many bags of small parts. Open only one bag at a time. To keep the parts organized, use small paper plates or several large plastic plates with partitions to contain the parts. Label the paper plates, and then pour the contents of the bags onto them. This puts the parts out in the open where you can find them easily. The plates also prevent small parts from rolling off the table.

Please read the text next to each diagram. The text contains important information, such as assembly steps, screw sizes, and part numbers. Also, pay attention to any notes that may follow some steps. Before you attempt to run your newly-built model, please read all of the instructions and precautions included in the Owner's Manual. You can download the Owner's Manual for the Stampede 4x4, as well as the manuals for all Traxxas vehicles, at Traxxas.com.

Remember, as you assemble your Traxxas model, you are not alone. If you have any questions or run into difficulties, call Traxxas' technical support department at 1-888-TRAXXAS (1-888-872-9927) (U.S. residents only). Outside the U.S., call +1-972-549-3000). Technical support is available Monday through Friday, from 8:30am to 9:00pm central time.

ITEMS YOU WILL NEED

Some of the tools that you may need in the maintenance and repair of your model have been provided. These include:

- 1.5mm "L" wrench
- 2.0mm "L" wrench
- 2.5mm ball wrench
- 4-way wrench
- U-joint wrench
- 4mm / 8mm wrench

Required but not included:

- Radio system with transmitter, receiver, and servo
- Power system with motor and speed control
- Traxxas Ultra Premium Tire Glue (CA glue) (part #6468)
- 4 AA alkaline batteries
- NiMH battery pack or LiPo battery pack
- NiMH/LiPo battery charger
- Safety glasses
- Needle nose pliers

The following items are not required for the operation of your model, but are a good idea to include in any RC toolbox:

- Metric hex driver set (part #3415) (highly recommended for kit assembly)
- · Hobby knife
- Side cutters

These items can be purchased from your hobby dealer.

SELECTING A CHARGER AND BATTERIES FOR YOUR MODEL

Your model does not include a battery or charger. Traxxas Power Cell iD batteries are strongly recommended for maximum performance and safer charging. The following chart lists available Power Cell batteries for your model:

LiPo Batteries with iD

2843X	5800mAh 7.4V 2-Cell 25C LiPo Battery
2854X	10000mAh 7.4V 2-Cell 25C LiPo Battery

NiMH Batteries with iD

William Datteries with 1D		
2926X	Battery, Power Cell, 3000mAh (NiMH, 7-C hump, 8.4V)	
2941X	Battery, Series 3 Power Cell, 3300mAh (NiMH, 7-C hump, 8.4V)	
2951X	Battery, Series 4 Power Cell, 4200mAh (NiMH, 7-C hump, 8.4V)	
2961X	Battery, Series 5 Power Cell, 5000mAh (NiMH, 7-C hump, 8.4V)	

WARNING: FIRE HAZARD!

Users of Lithium Polymer (LiPo) batteries must read the Warnings and Precautions beginning on page 2. You MUST use a LiPo charger for LiPo batteries or battery damage with the potential for fire will result.

Make certain you choose the correct type of charger for the batteries you select. Traxxas recommends you choose a genuine Traxxas EZ-Peak iD charger for safer charging and maximum battery life and performance.

Charger	Part No.	NiMH Compatible	LiPo Compatible	Battery iD	Max. Cells
EZ-Peak Plus, 4 amps	2970	YES	YES	YES	3s
EZ-Peak Live, 12 amps	2971	YES	YES	YES	4s
EZ-Peak Dual, 8 amps	2972	YES	YES	YES	3s
EZ-Peak Live Dual, 26+amps	2973	YES	YES	YES	4s

SELECTING A RADIO SYSTEM FOR YOUR MODEL

Your model does not include a transmitter, receiver, or servo. Traxxas TQi radio systems are recommended for best performance. The following chart lists available choices for your model:

Radio Systems

6507R	TQi 2.4 GHz High Output radio system, 4-channel with Traxxas Link Wireless Module, TSM (4-ch transmitter, 5-ch micro receiver)
6509R	TQi 2.4 GHz High Output radio system, 2-channel, Traxxas Link enabled, TSM (2-ch transmitter, 5-ch micro receiver)
6516	Transmitter, TQ 2.4GHz, 2-channel (transmitter only)
6519	Receiver, micro, TQ 2.4GHz (3-channel)
Servos	
2056	Servo, high-torque, waterproof (blue case)
2075	Servo, digital high-torque (ball bearing), waterproof
2075R	Servo, digital high-speed, metal gear (ball bearing), waterproof
2250	Servo, digital high-torque 330 coreless, metal gear (ball bearing), waterproof
2255	Servo, digital high-torque 400 brushless, metal gear (ball bearing), waterproof

SELECTING A POWER SYSTEM FOR YOUR MODEL

Your model does not include a motor or electronic speed control. Traxxas power systems are recommended for best performance. The following chart lists available choices for your model:

Electronic Speed Controls

3018R	XL-5 Electronic Speed Control, waterproof (land version, low-voltage detection, fwd/rev/brake)
3355R	Velineon VXL-3s Electronic Speed Control, waterproof (brushless) (fwd/rev/brake)
Motors	
3785	Motor, Titan 12T (12-Turn, 550 size)
22510	Motor, Velineon 3500, brushless (assembled

with 12-gauge wire and gold-plated bullet connectors)

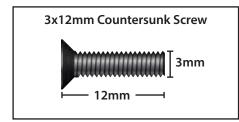
WARRANTY STATEMENT

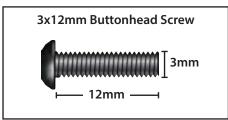
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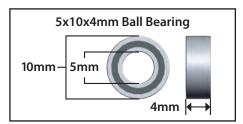
Every effort has been made in component design and material selection to make your model as durable as possible and still maintain a weight consistent with good handling. Because this model is intended for operation under severe conditions, no warranties are expressed nor implied relating to the longevity of the parts. If you find that a part has a defect in materials or workmanship, please return it to us BEFORE IT IS USED, and we will gladly replace it. Damage caused by excessive force, abuse, neglect or failure to adhere to the precautions outlined in the literature contained with your model will void the warranty.

HARDWARE DESCRIPTIONS

The following chart is provided to help you identify the many different sizes and types of hardware that are used in the assembly of this model. Note the difference between the length measurements of the roundhead and countersunk screws. A ruler is provided at the bottom of each page to measure the length of the screws in millimeters.







0	ccs	Countersunk Cap Screw		GS	Set (Grub) Screw
	CS	Cap Screw	0	PTW	PTFE Washer
0	FCS	Flathead Cap Screw	0	MW	Metal Washer
	BCS	Buttonhead Cap Screw	C	E	E-Clip
	CSS	Cap Shoulder Screw	0	ВВ	Ball Bearing
	NL	Nylon Locknut			

ICON DESCRIPTIONS

There are icons in this assembly instruction which indicate certain actions needed during assembly.



Grease Tube
Apply included
grease to part
indicated.

White: Silicone
Dark: Black Lithium



Turn Icon Indicates assembly needs to be flipped or turned around.



Oil Bottle Black: Use included silicone shock oil.

White: Use included differential fluid.



Repeat Icon

Repeat step the number of times indicated.





Optional Part Icon
Optional part available.
Refer to included
parts list.



Aluminum Part Icon Aluminum accessory part available. Refer to included parts list.

DIFFERENTIAL BAG

Differential Carrier 30K Differential Oil

Differential Output Gear (2)



6x9.5x0.5 PTFE Washer



X-Ring (2)



Differential Gasket



Spider Gear (2)



Spider Gear Shaft

Ring Gear



2.5x8mm CS (4)



8x16x5mm BB



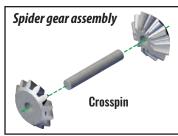
10x15x4mm BB



A1. Install output and spider gears into differential carrier

Tip: Lubricate the shaft of the differential output gear with a drop of 30K differential oil before

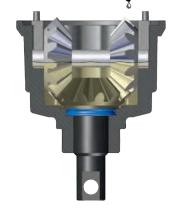






Fill differential carrier half way with included 30K differential oil.

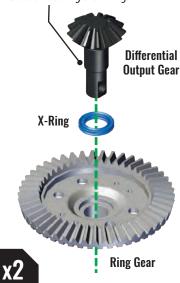
A2. Add differential fluid



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A3. Install output gear into ring gear and assemble onto differential carrier

Tip: Lubricate the shaft of the differential output gear with a drop of 30K differential oil before installing the X-ring.





A4. Install ball bearings



Completed differential assemblies





ACCESSORY

Option Part

5379X Ring gear, differential/ pinion gear, differential for brushless models

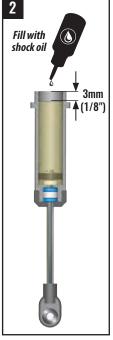
SHOCK BAG

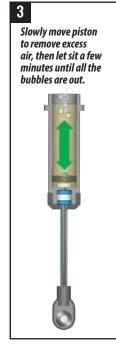
Shock Assemblies Silicone Shock Oil **Front Shock Springs Rear Shock Springs Upper Spring Retainers (4) Lower Spring Retainers (4)**

Preload Spacers (2)

B1. Assemble front and rear shocks







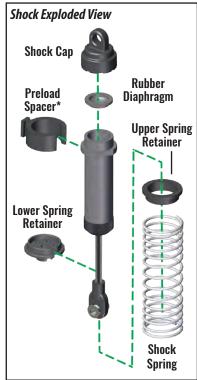




ACCESSORY

A Aluminum Accessory **Aluminum Shock Caps** 3767A - Blue 3767G - Green 3767X - Red

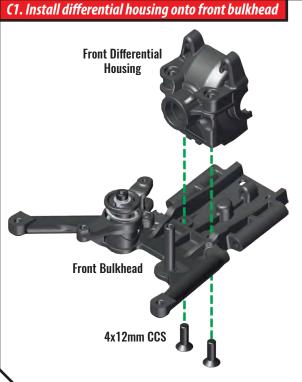
Option Part Titanium Nitride **Shock Shafts** 1664T Long 2656T XX-long

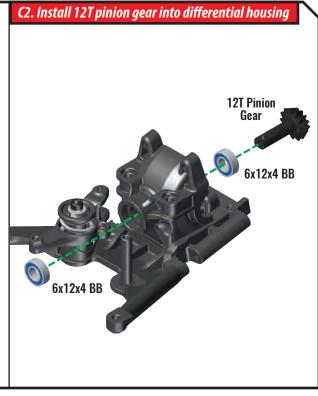


*8mm preload spacer on front shocks only

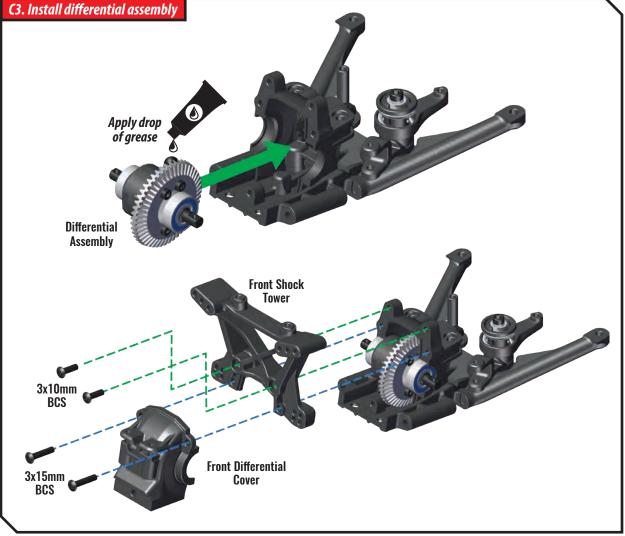
Exercise shock to make sure it compresses fully. If it does not, it is overfilled. **Front Shocks Rear Shocks Assembled Assembled** 8mm **Preload** Spacer





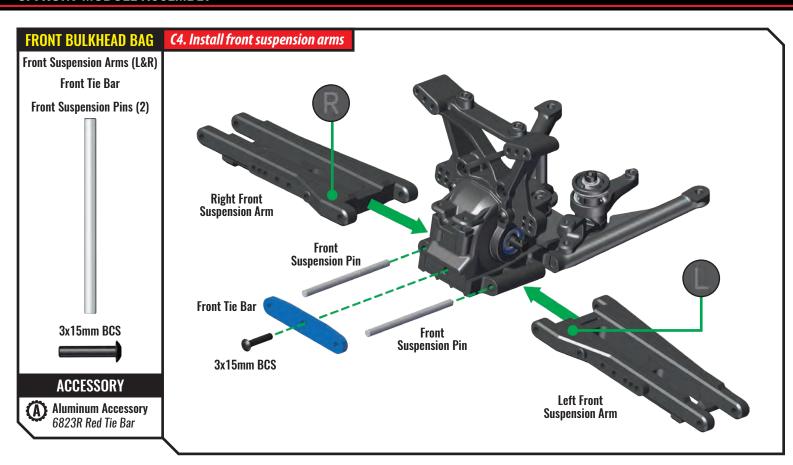


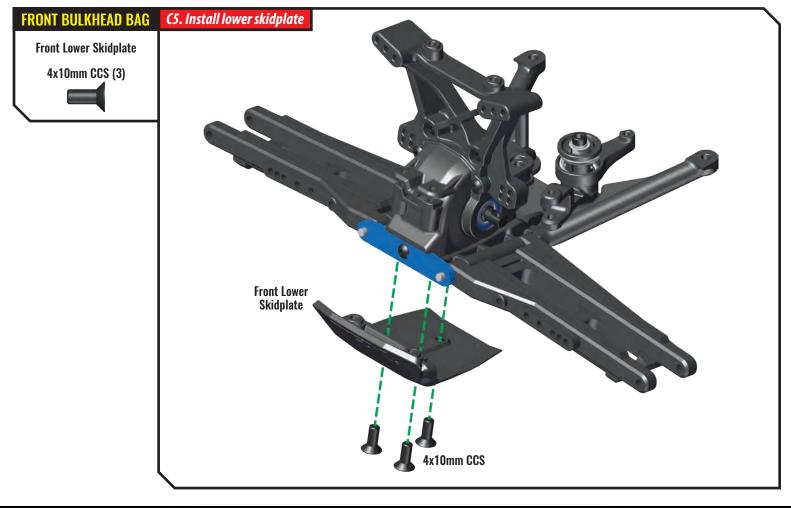


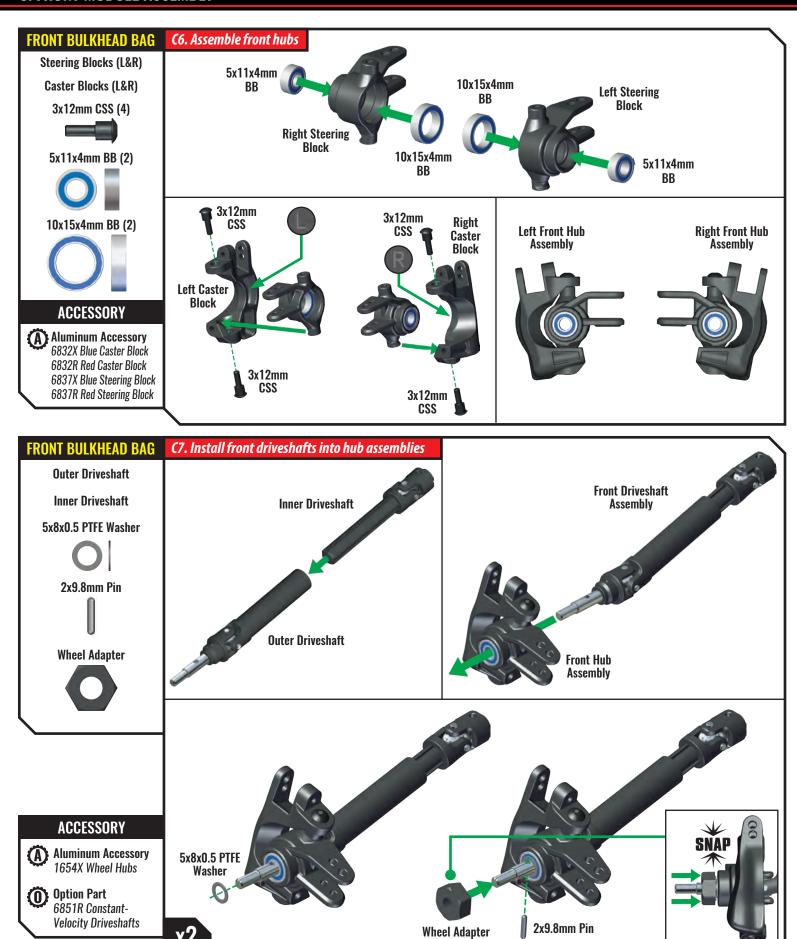


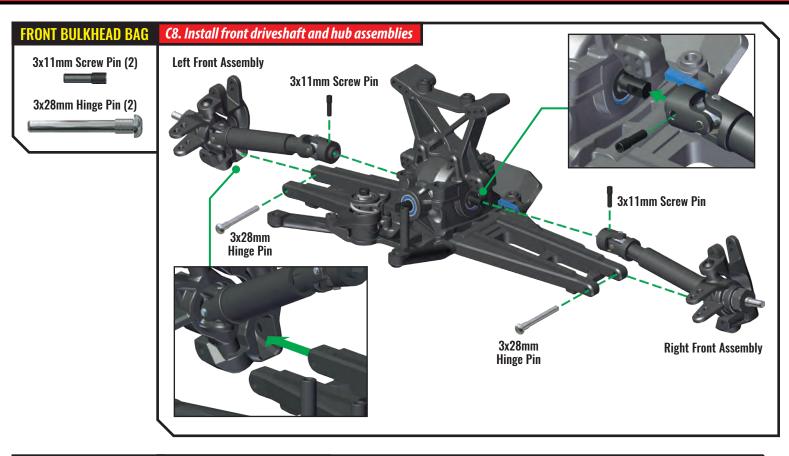
Aluminum Accessory 6839X Shock Tower

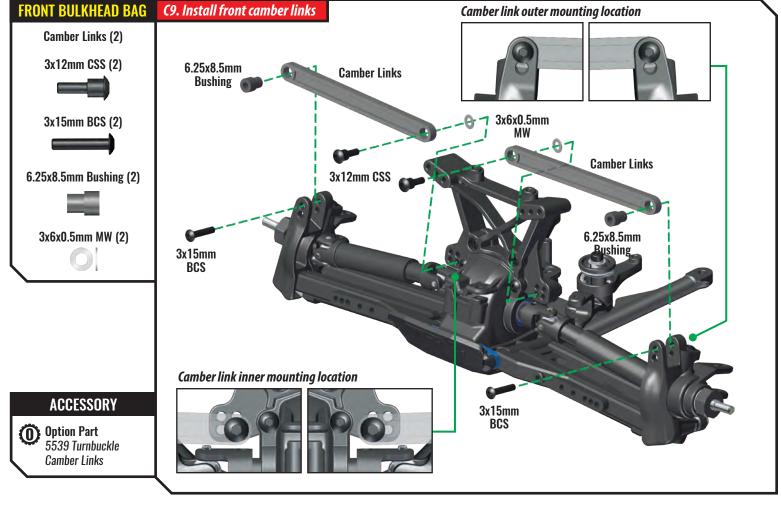
C. FRONT MODULE ASSEMBLY

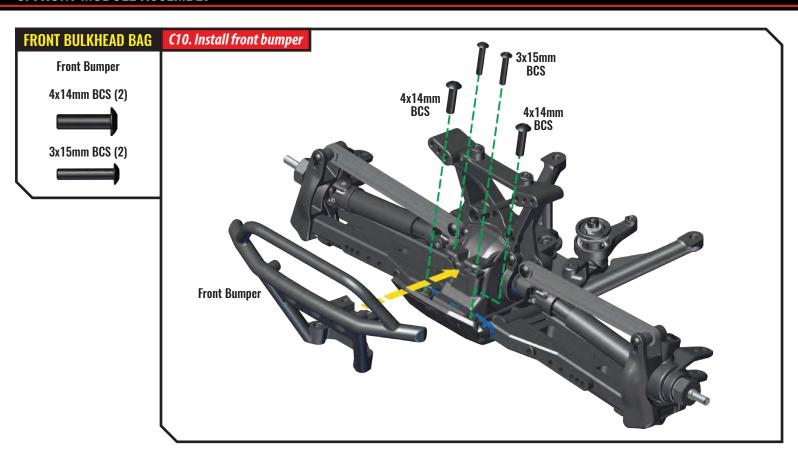


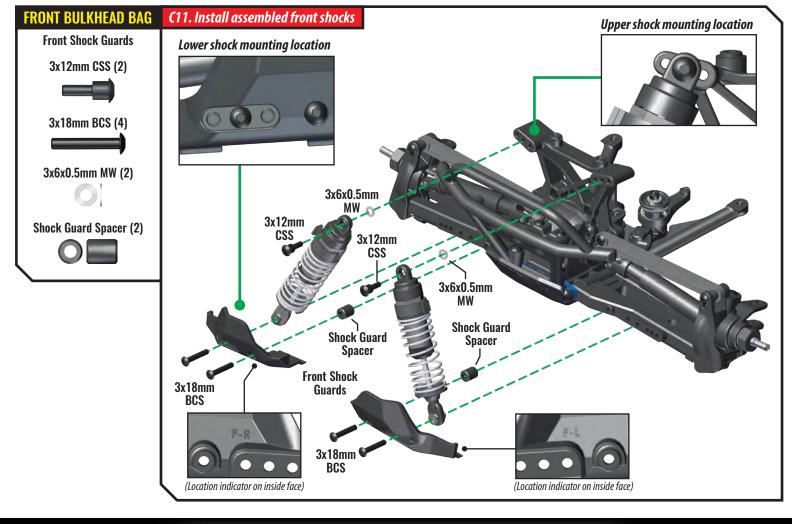


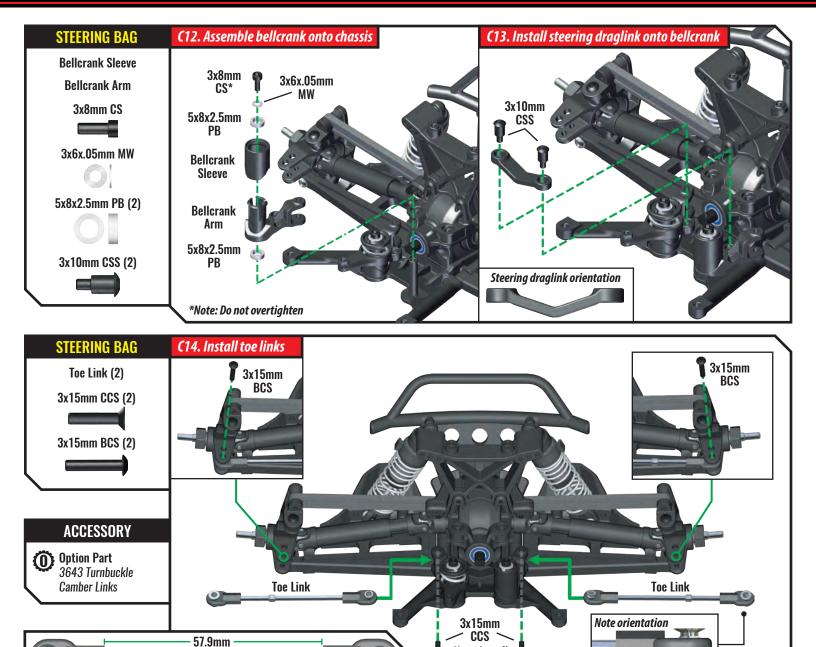


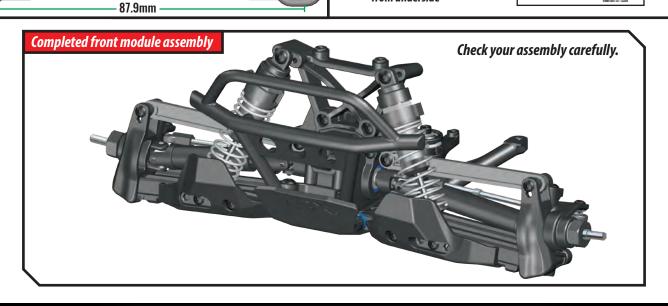










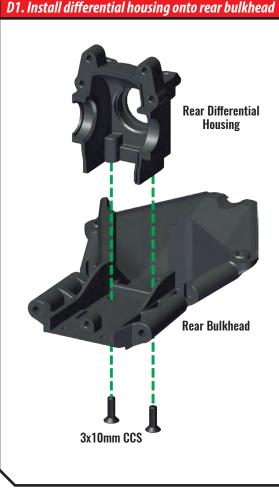


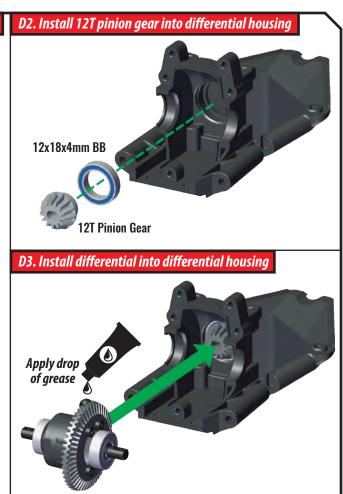
Note: Install from underside ^s



DIFFERENTIAL BAG

Black Lithium Grease



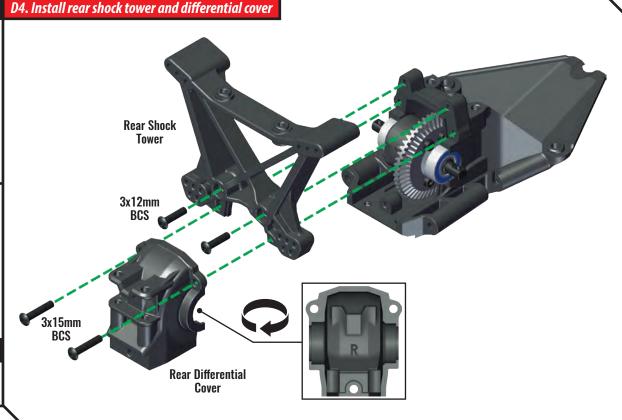




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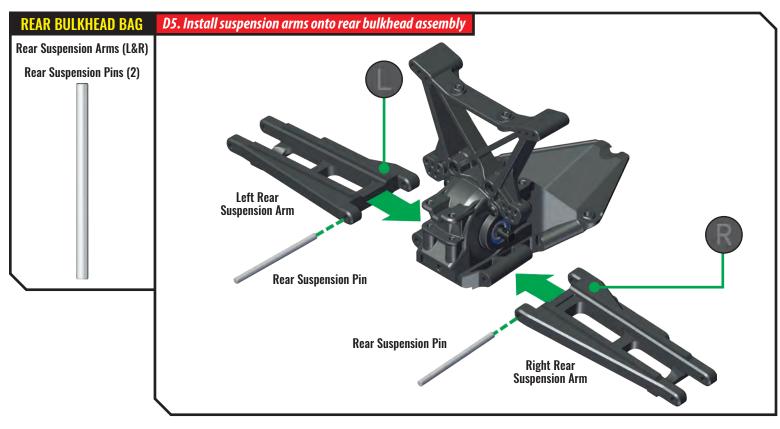
6838X Shock Tower

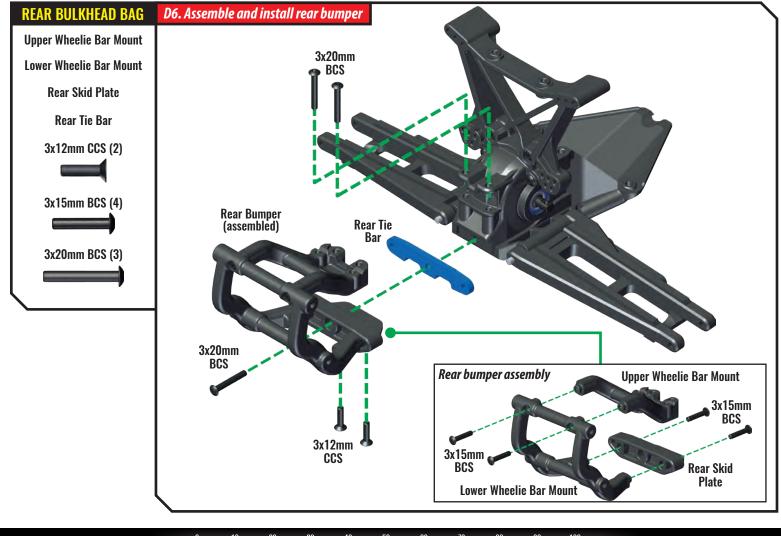














Outer Driveshaft Inner Driveshaft Stub Axle Carrier 5x11x4mm BB (2)



5x8x0.5 PTFE Washer (2)



2x9.8mm Pin

Wheel Adapter



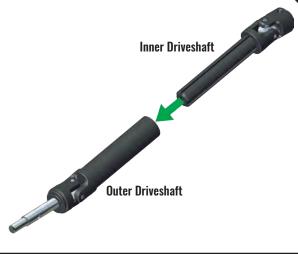
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Aluminum Accessory Stub Axle Carrier 1952X - Blue 1952A - Red

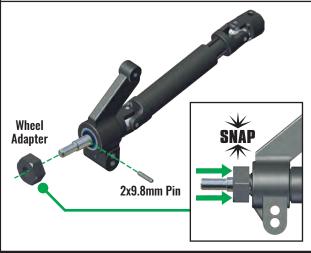








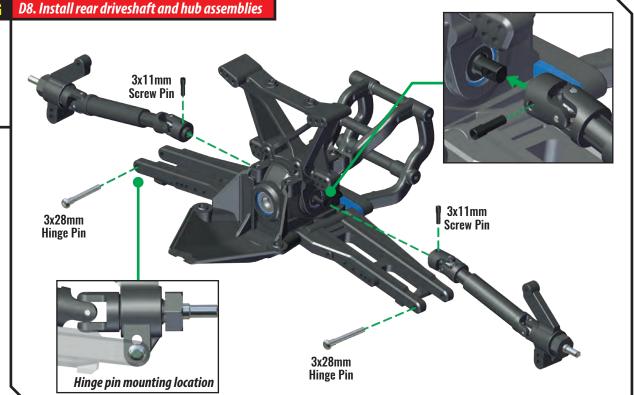


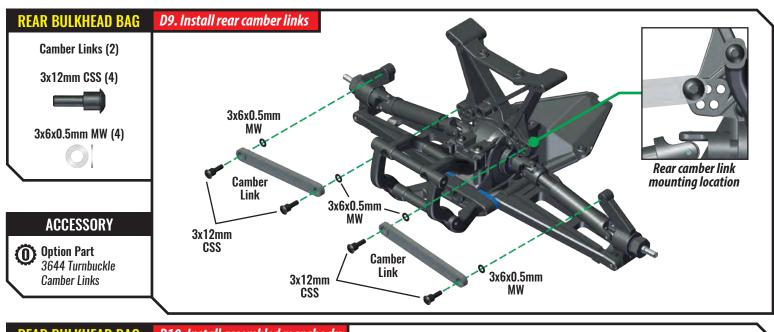


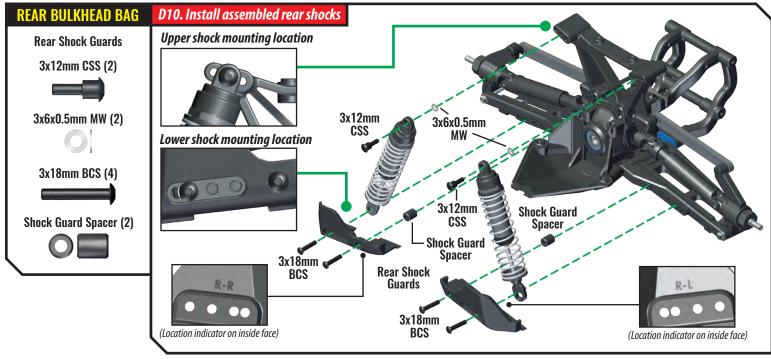
FRONT BULKHEAD BAG

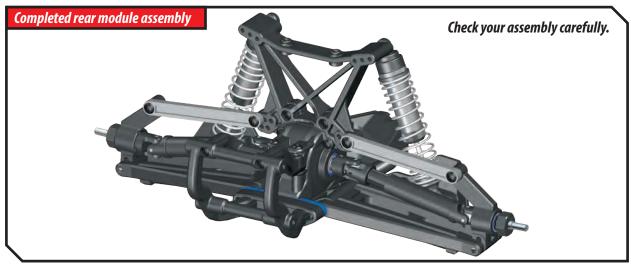
3x11mm Screw Pin (2)

3x28mm Hinge Pin (2)

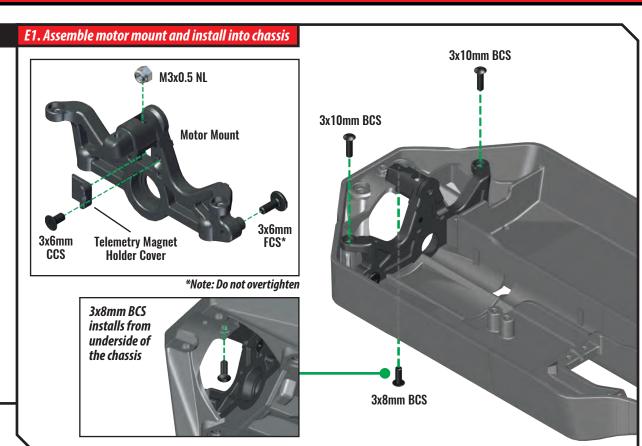


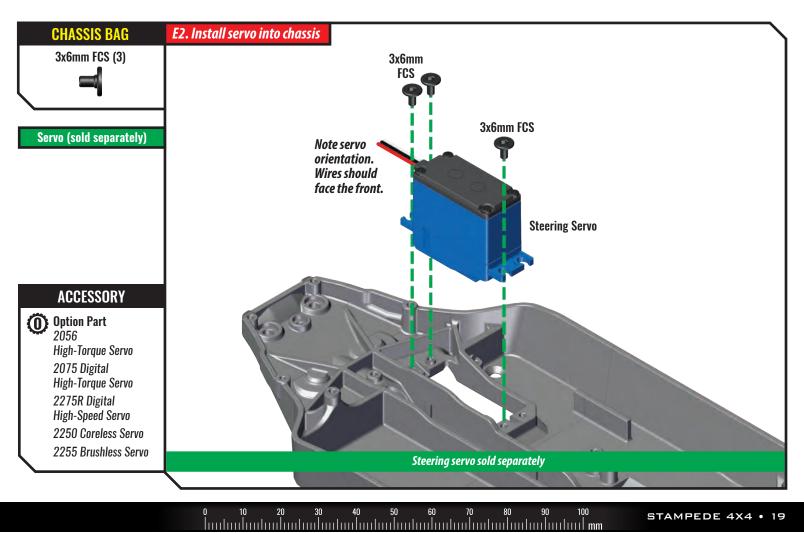


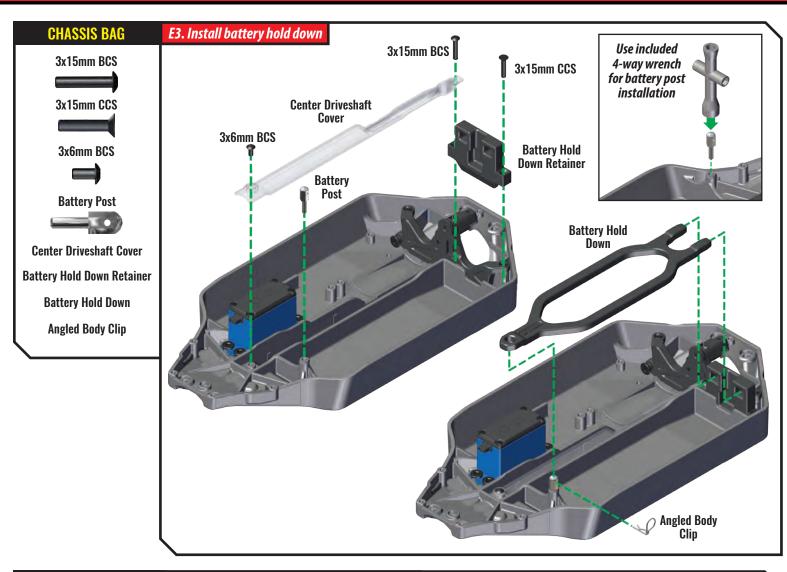


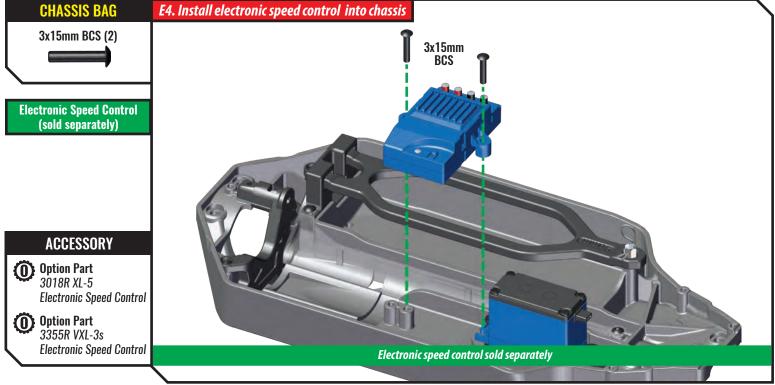














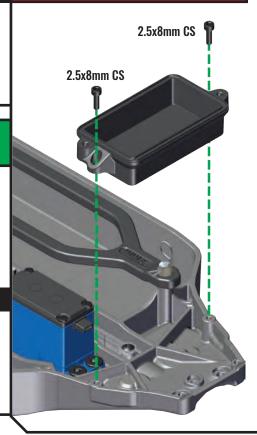
Lower Receiver Box



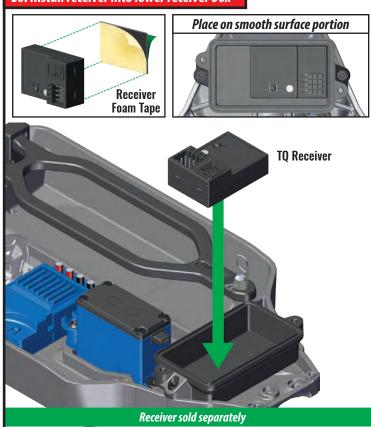
Receiver Foam Tape

Receiver (sold separately) Receiver box dimensions: 54.5mm x 29mm x 19mm

E5. Install lower receiver box onto chassis



E6. Install receiver into lower receiver box



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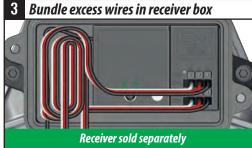
- Option Part 6519 TQi 2.4GHz 3Ch Micro Receiver
- Option Part 6533 TQi 2.4GHz 5Ch Micro Receiver

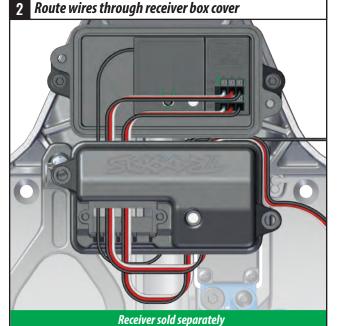
CHASSIS BAG

Lower Receiver Box Foam Receiver Box Cover

E7. Install wires into receiver box





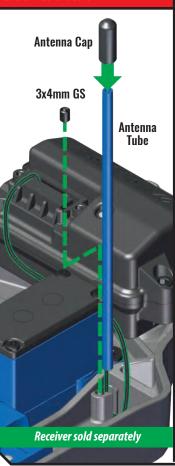


Traxxas Radio Systems: CH1 - Steering Servo CH2 - Electronic Speed Control

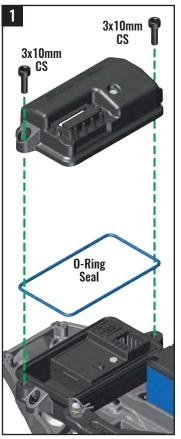
CHASSIS BAG Antenna Tube Antenna Cap 3x4mm GS 3x10mm CS (2) 0-Ring Seal Upper Receiver Box Foam Receiver Wire Clamp 2.5x8mm CS (2)

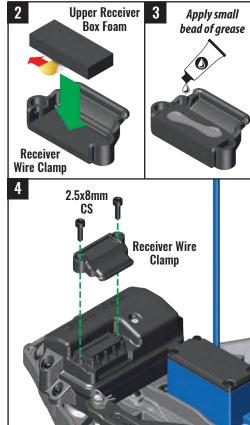
ELECTRONICS BAG
Silicone Grease

E8. Slide the antenna wire into the antenna tube and insert tube into chassis

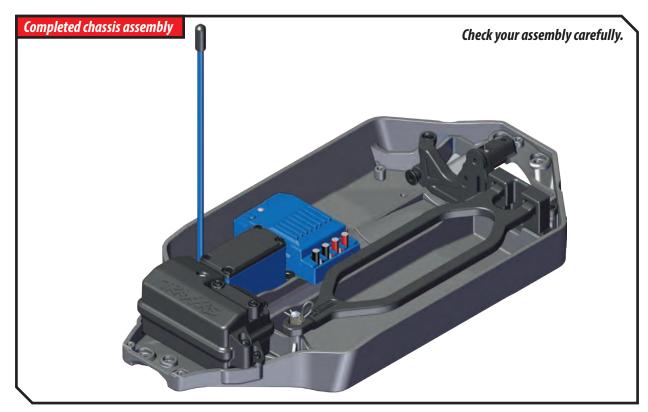


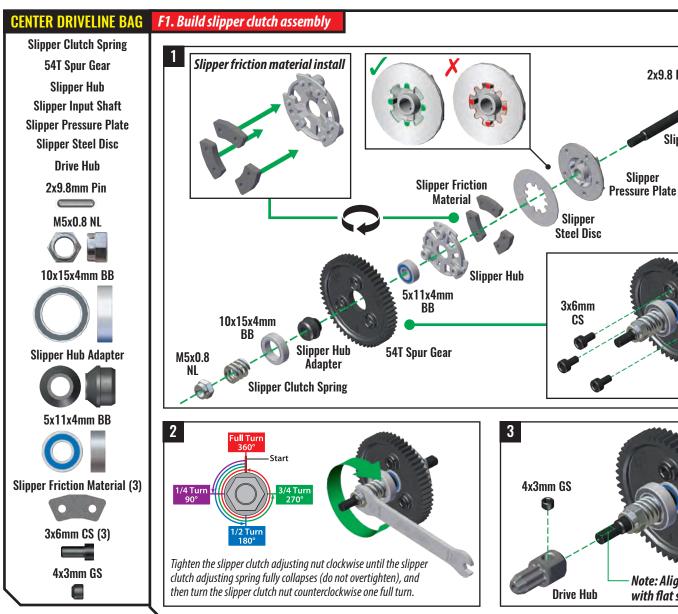
E9. Waterproof and seal the receiver box

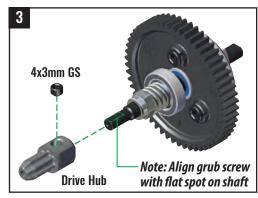




To prevent loss of radio range, do not kink or cut the black wire, do not bend or cut the metal tip, and do not bend or cut the white wire at the end of the metal tip.







2x9.8 Pin

Slipper

Slipper Input

Shaft



Steering Servo Horn 3x6mm BCS

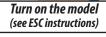


F2. Center the steering servo

Transmitter, ESC, and Battery sold separately





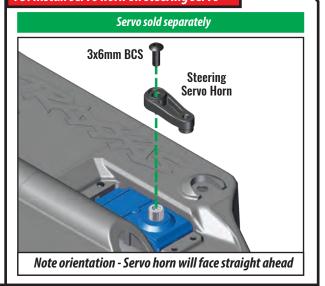


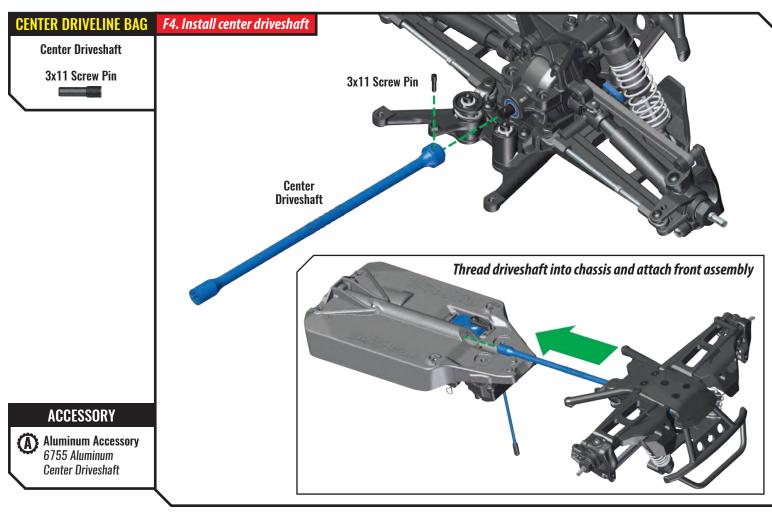


(see transmitter instructions)

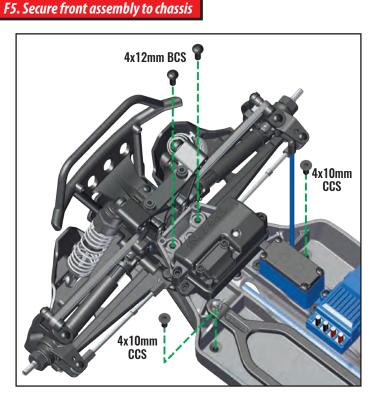
Unplug battery and turn transmitter off

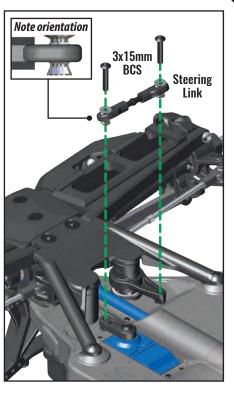
F3. Install servo horn on steering servo



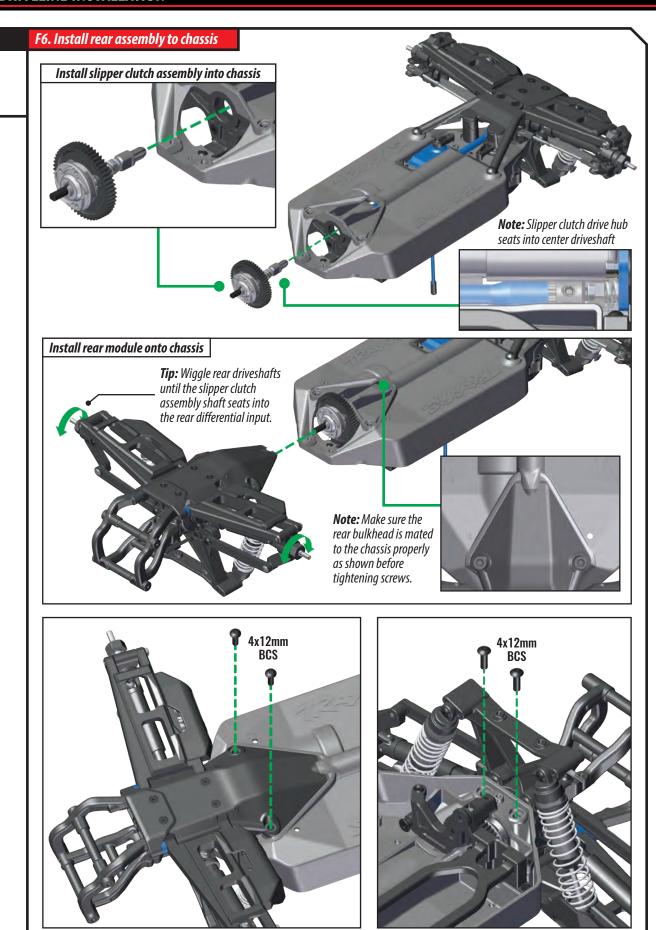


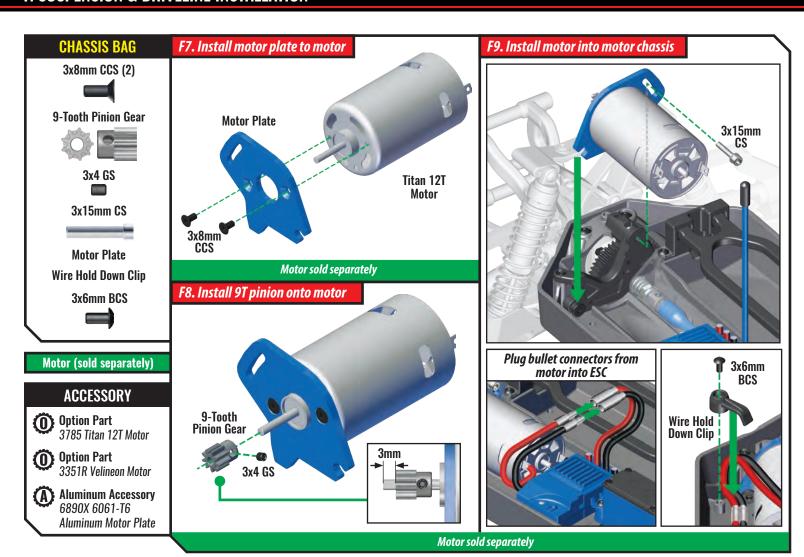






4x12mm BCS (4)







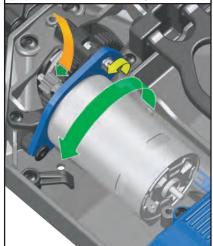
Gear Cover

3x6mm BCS



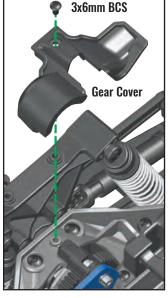
F10. Set gear mesh and install gear cover

Loosen the motor screw. Cut a narrow strip of notebook paper and run it into the gear mesh.



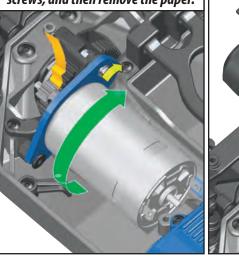
Slide the motor and pinion gear into the spur gear. Retighten the motor screws, and then remove the paper.





ACCESSORY

(0) Option Part 6877A Clear Gear Cover



BODY MOUNT BAG

Body Mount Post (4)

Front Body Mount

Rear Body Mount

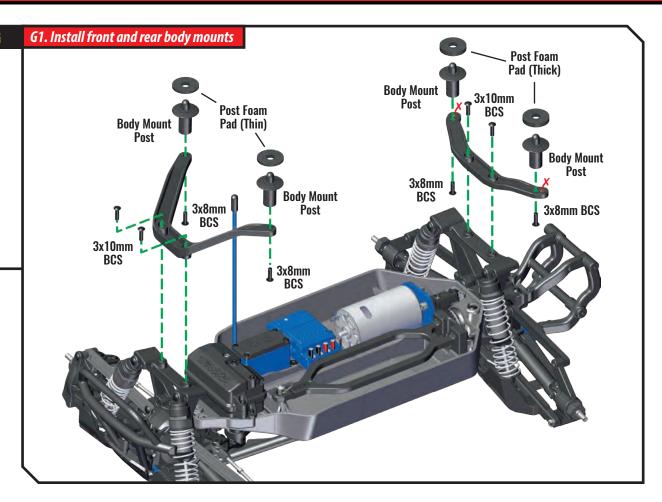
Post Foam Pad (2 Thin & 2 Thick)

3x8mm BCS (4)



3x10mm BCS (4)





WHEELS AND TIRE BAG

M4x0.7 NL (4)





Wheels (4)

Tires with Foam Inserts (4)

Traxxas Ultra **Premium Tire Glue** (Part #6468 Sold Separately)

ACCESSORY



Option Part 4175 Paddle Tires 3669 Talon Tires

G2. Glue tires and install on front and rear axles



Glue the tires to the wheels. Use your thumb to push the side of the tire away from the wheel. Repeat at four points around the wheel. Once dry, turn the wheel over and repeat on the inside of the wheel.





Painting the Body

Note: Please read this entire section and plan your paint job before beginning.

Buying Paint

The body supplied with your model is molded from lightweight and durable clear polycarbonate. It should be painted on the underside so that the color will not be scratched off while running. The best way to paint the body is by using thinned paints sprayed through an airbrush or spray gun. If you do not have these tools, the next best way is using spray can paints. Whatever paint you use, be sure that it is made for painting Lexan® or polycarbonate. Other types of paints and solvents can attack the body material and cause it to appear foggy.

Preparing the Body

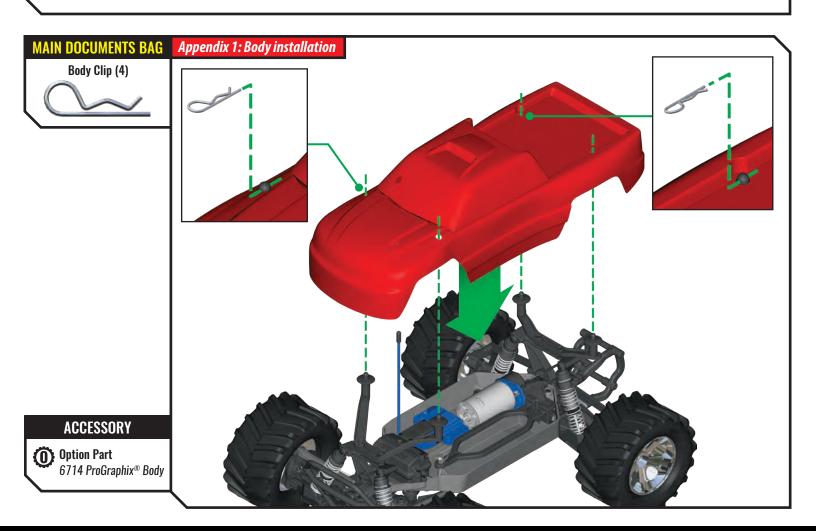
The body must be washed thoroughly with dish soap and water to remove any grease or oil (i.e., fingerprints), which may keep the paint from adhering to it. Dry the body completely with a soft, lint-free cloth. Use the supplied masks to mask the windows. Mask off any stripes or custom effects with either masking tape or special tape made for striping. This special tape is available from automotive paint supply stores and will provide sharper edges than masking tape. For easy, custom-colored striping, automotive pin-striping tape can be applied to the inside of the body and painted over. Be sure that all of your tape and masks are fully pressed down (burnished) so that the paint will not run or bleed underneath. Usually, the darker colors are painted first, followed by the lighter colors. If your paint scheme would be easier to mask by covering the dark areas and spraying them last, be sure the lighter colors are opaque enough to prevent the darker color from showing through. Lighter colors can be backed with silver to help make them opaque.

Spraying the Body

Read the directions on your bottle or can of paint and shake, mix, or thin the paint, as required. It is very important to avoid breathing the paint vapors, as they are extremely harmful. Spray the paint outdoors in well-ventilated areas only. Apply the paint to the body sparingly and in light coats. Be patient! Let the paint dry fully in between coats. This will prevent accidentally smearing wet paint. Take extra care when masks are being removed. After the body is completely painted, remove the peel coat from the outside of the body.

Decals

You are now ready to apply the decals. The decals have been die-cut for your convenience. Test the position of the decals before applying them to the body. Once the decals have been applied, they cannot be removed without damaging them. You can spray the body with window cleaner before applying the decals. This will allow you to re-position them. Once positioned, squeegee the cleaner from under the decal. The decal will adhere when it dries. If you have air bubbles in the decals, puncture the center of each bubble with a sharp pin and push the air out. If you have creases along the outer edges of a decal (especially when applied to curved surfaces), use a hobby knife to cut along the top of the crease and overlap the edges.



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