**LR 55-D** (1968) **1968 MERCURY / MERCURY Park Lane Police Car**

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| © year on base: none  scale: 1:72 (not cast on base)  length: 78mm  width: 30mm  height: 26mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: straight  additional lettering on base: PAT APP 12008  company on base: MADE IN ENGLAND BY LESNEY  number on base: 55 OR 73  cast license plate: MC 704-3 (front only) | metal grille & base  tow guide  (A) on front axle cover  plastic interior with driver & passenger  plastic wheels & tires  dome head rounded axles  Autosteer feature  plastic roof light |  |

| **#** | **body** | **grille / base** | **inte- rior** | **windows** | **wheels** | **tires** | **deco** | **roof light** | **base text** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Stannard #** | **Jones #** | **date** |
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| 0010 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield hood **decal**, shield door labels | **red** | **1968 MERCURY flat** | (x) | #55 |  |  | 01 | 01 | 1968 |
| 0020 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield hood **decal**, shield door labels | **red** | MERCURY on platform | (x) | #55 |  |  | 02 | 02 | 1969 |
| 0030 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield hood **decal**, shield door labels | blue | **1968 MERCURY flat** |  | #55 |  |  | 03 | 03 | 1968 |
| 0040 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield hood **decal**, shield door labels | blue | MERCURY on platform | (x), (**oa**) | #55 |  |  | 04 | 04 | 1969 |
| 0050 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield labels on hood & doors | **red** | **1968 MERCURY flat** |  | #55 |  |  | 05 | 07 | 1968 |
| 0060 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield labels on hood & doors | **red** | MERCURY on platform | (x) | #55 |  |  | 06 | 08 | 1969 |
| 0070 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield labels on hood & doors | blue | **1968 MERCURY flat** | x | #55 |  |  | 07 | 05 | 1968 |
| 0080 | white | unpainted E | ivory | colorless | 6mm silver | 10.5x45 black | POLICE & shield labels on hood & doors | blue | MERCURY on platform | x | #55 |  |  | 08 | 06 | 1969 |

**UK codes:**

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| **55D** |  |  |  |

**NOTE:**

**Same base as LR 73-C.**

**ODDITIES:**

| **code** | **description** |
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| oa | body color faded to off white |

**Previous ref.: none**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LS 55-A MERCURY Park Lane Police Car**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
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| 01 | E4 | light blue sides, color picture with "MATCHBOX" on end flaps, with NEW MODEL, ®, flags on inner end flaps | white stripes on end flaps |  | 1968 |
| 02 | E4 | light blue sides, color picture with "MATCHBOX" on end flaps, without NEW MODEL, ®, flags on inner end flaps | white stripes on end flaps |  | 1968 |
| 03 | F | without NEW, AUTOSTEER, A LESNEY PRODUCT, no trademark on end flaps, no MARK on end flaps |  |  | 1969 |