**LR 68-B** (1965) **MERCEDES (O 321 H) COACH**

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| © year on base: none  scale: 1:90 (not cast on base)  length: 73mm  width: 26mm  height: 28mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: straight  additional lettering on base: none  company on base: MADE IN ENGLAND BY LESNEY  number on base: 68  cast license plate: S-B 157 | metal base is part of body  plastic roof  plastic interior  plastic wheels  dome head rounded axles |  |

| **#** | **body / base** | **roof** | **interior** | **windows** | **wheels** | **deco** | **axle covers** | **axle braces** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Stannard #** | **Jones #** | **date** |
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| 0010 | **sea green** E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | **open** | thin | l | #68 |  |  | 01, 02 | 01, 02 | 1965 |
| 0020 | orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | **open** | thin | l, h | #68 |  |  | 03, 04 | 03, 04 | 1966 |
| 0030 | **lt.** orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | **open** | thin | l | #68 |  |  |  |  | 1966 |
| 0040 | orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | closed | thin |  | #68 |  |  | 05, 06 | 05, 06 | 1967 |
| 0050 | orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | closed | **thick** | (l) | #68 |  |  | 07, 08 | 07, 08 | 1968 |
| 0060 | **lt.** orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | closed | **thick** | (l) | #68 |  |  |  |  | 1968 |
| 0070 | orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | closed | thick **with studs** | l, h | #68 |  |  | 09, 10 | 09, 10 | 1969 |
| 0080 | **lt.** orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | closed | thick **with studs** | l | #68 |  |  |  |  | 1969 |
| 0090 | orange E | white | **ivory** | colorless | 10x36 black | silver grille & front bumper | closed | thick **with studs** | (l) | #68 |  |  |  |  | 1969 |
| 0100 | orange E | white | white | colorless | 10x36 black | **none** | closed | thick **with studs** |  | #68 |  |  |  |  | 1969 |

**UK codes:**

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| **68B** |  |  |  |

**NOTE:**

**White roofs are prone to fading to cream.**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **code** | **seat back height** |
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| l | 7.5mm low |
| h | 8.5mm high |

**Previous ref.: none**

**Later ref.: none**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
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| 01 | E1 | green model shown, two blue sides, no picture on end flaps, with NEW MODEL, no ®, flags on inner end flaps |  |  | 1965 |
| 02 | E1 | green model shown, two blue sides, no picture on end flaps, without NEW MODEL, no ®, flags on inner end flaps |  |  | 1965 |
| 03 | E1 | green model shown, light blue sides, no picture on end flaps, without NEW MODEL, no ®, flags on inner end flaps |  |  | 1965 |
| 04 | E3 | orange model shown, light blue sides, color picture without "MATCHBOX" on end flaps, without NEW MODEL, no ®, flags on inner end flaps |  |  | 1966 |
| 05 | E4 | orange model shown, light blue sides, color picture with "MATCHBOX" on end flaps, without NEW MODEL, no ®, flags on inner end flaps |  |  | 1967 |
| 06 | E4 | orange model shown, light blue sides, color picture with "MATCHBOX" on end flaps, without NEW MODEL, ®, flags on inner end flaps |  |  | 1968 |
| 07 | F | without NEW, A LESNEY PRODUCT, trademark on end flaps, no MARK on end flaps |  |  | 1969 |
| 08 | F | without NEW, "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., trademark on end flaps, no MARK on end flaps |  |  | 1970 |