**LS 61-A** (1971) **BLUE SHARK**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| © year on base: 1971  scale: 1:63 (not cast on base)  length: 76mm  width: 32mm  height: 21mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: bold italic  additional lettering on base: Superfast (script)  company on base: LESNEY PRODUCTS & CO LTD  number on base: 61  cast license plate: none | metal base  PAT APP at front of base  white plastic driver  black plastic wheels with silver hubs  silver plated plastic engine with black exhausts  gray plastic wheel strip (no number) |  |

| **#** | **body** | **base** | **windshield** | **wheels** | **deco** | **brace behind driver** | **raised hood casting** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | **no** | no | x | #61 |  |  | 01 |  | 1971 |
| 02 | **med.** blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no |  | #61 |  |  | 02 |  | 1971 |
| 03 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no | x, (**oa**) | #61 |  |  | 03 |  | 1971 |
| f01 | dk. **purplish** blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no | (x) | #61 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 07 | dk. blue | unpainted E | **frosted** colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no |  | #61 |  |  | 07 |  | 1971 |
| 05 | dk. blue | unpainted E | **amber** | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 05 |  | 1971 |
| 04 | dk. blue | **silver-gray** E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 04 |  | 1971 |
| 06 | dk. blue | **silver-gray** E | **amber** | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | 86 label | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 06 |  | 1971 |
| f08 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm front, **5 slot** 10.5x4mm rear | 86 label | yes | no |  | #61 |  |  |  |  | 1971 |
| 08 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **69** label (from LS 69-B) | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 08 |  | 1973 |
| 09 | dk. blue | unpainted E | **amber** | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **69** label (from LS 69-B) | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 09 |  | 1973 |
| 10 | dk. blue | **silver-gray** E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **69** label (from LS 69-B) | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 10 |  | 1973 |
| 11 | dk. blue | **silver-gray** E | **amber** | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **69** label (from LS 69-B) | yes | no |  | #61 |  |  | 11 |  | 1973 |
| 14 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **69** label (from LS 69-B) | yes | **yes** |  | #61 |  |  | 14 |  | 1973 |
| 12 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **scorpion** label | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 12 |  | 1973 |
| 13 | dk. blue | unpainted E | **amber** | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **scorpion** label | yes | no | x | #61 |  |  | 13 |  | 1973 |
| f02 | dk. blue | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **blue & yellow sun** label (from LS 47-B) | yes | no |  | #61 |  |  |  |  | 1973 |
| f07 | **met. red** | unpainted E | colorless | 4 spoke 11.5x4mm | **69** label (from LS 69-B) | yes | no |  | #61 |  |  |  |  | 1973 |

**USA codes:**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **MB 61-A** |  |  |  |

**UK codes:**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **61C** |  |  |  |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **ROW numbers:** | **61** (1971-1977) |
| **USA numbers:** | **61** (1971-1977) |
| **Other numbers:** | **none** |

**NOTE:**

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

**ODDITIES:**

| **code** | **description** |
| --- | --- |
| oa | label upside down |

**Previous ref.: none**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ BR 61-A BLUE SHARK**

**⇒ ⇒ ⇒ MW 701 BLUE SHARK**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | I | with red NEW, with frame around number, © 1971 "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., MARK I on end flaps |  |  | 1971-74 |
| 02 | I | without NEW, with frame around number, © 1971 "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., MARK I on end flaps |  |  | 1975 |
| 03 | I | without NEW, with frame around number, © 1971 "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., NOT RECOMMENDED..., MARK I on end flaps |  |  | 1976/77 |
| 04 | I | without NEW, with frame around number, © 1971 "MATCHBOX" REG'D T.M. ..., CONFORMITÉ..., NE CONVIENT..., MARK I on end flaps |  |  | 1978 |