**LS 73-C** (1979) **MODEL A FORD Coupé**

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| © year on base: 1979  scale: 1:52 (not cast on base)  length: 71mm  width: 32mm  height: 35mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: bold italic  additional lettering on base: Superfast (script)  company on base: LESNEY PRODUCTS & CO LTD  number on base: 73 / none  cast license plate: none | metal chassis  black plastic base  no interior  black plastic wheels with silver hubs  silver plated plastic grille  3 base rivets |  |

| **#** | **body** | **chassis** | **base** | **windows** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **deco** | **base no.** | **spare tire** | **roof surface** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| 07 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | **filled** | textured | a | #73 |  |  | 07, 08 |  | 1979 |
| 03 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | hollow | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  | 03, 04 |  | 1979 |
| 01 | cream | dk. green | E | **lt.** green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | hollow | textured | b | #73 |  |  | 01, 02 |  | 1979 |
| 05 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | **5 crown** 11.5x4mm | none | 73 | hollow | textured |  | #73 |  |  | 05, 06 |  | 1979 |
| f01 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | **5 arch** 11x3.5mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | hollow | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1979 |
| 22 | cream | dk. green | E | **none** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | hollow | textured |  | #73 |  |  | 22 |  | 1979 |
| f02 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | **none** | textured |  | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1980 |
| 09 | cream | dk. green | E | **none** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | **none** | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  | 09, 10 |  | 1980 |
| f03 | cream | dk. **olive** green | E | **none** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | **none** | textured | a | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1980 |
| f04 | cream | dk. green | E | **none** | **dot dash** 14x5mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | **none** | textured | a | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1980 |
| f05 | **off white** | dk. green | E | **none** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | **none** | textured |  | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1980 |
| 11 | met. green | dk. green | E | **none** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  | 11, 12 |  | 1981 |
| 13 | met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  | 13, 14 |  | 1981 |
| f06 | **dk.** met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured |  | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1981 |
| f07 | met. green | dk. green | E | **lt.** green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured | a, **aoa**, **boa** | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1981 |
| f08 | **dk.** met. green | dk. green | E | **lt.** green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured | a | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1981 |
| f17 | met. green | dk. green | E | **very lt.** green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured | a | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1981 |
| f09 | met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | **5 crown** 11.5x4mm | none | 73 | none | textured |  | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1981 |
| f10 | met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | **dot dash** 14x5mm | dot dash 14x5mm | none | 73 | none | textured |  | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1981 |
| f11 | met. green | dk. green | E | **none** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | **CLIMAT** trunk label | 73 | none | textured |  |  | PR | F |  |  | 1982 |
| f12 | met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | **CLIMAT** trunk label | 73 | none | textured |  |  | PR | F |  |  | 1982 |
| 15 | beige | brown | E | dk. amber | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | **73** | none | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  | 15, 16 |  | 1982 |
| 17 | beige | brown | E | dk. amber | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | textured | a, b | #73 |  |  | 17, 18 |  | 1982 |
| f13 | beige | brown | E | **lt.** amber | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | textured | a | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1982 |
| 19 | beige | brown | E | **colorless** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | textured | a | #73 |  |  | 19, 20 |  | 1982 |
| f14 | beige | brown | E | dk. amber | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | **smooth** | a | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1982 |
| f15 | beige | brown | E | **lt.** amber | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | **smooth** |  | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1982 |
| f16 | beige | brown | E | **colorless** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | **smooth** | a, b | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1982 |
| 25 | beige | brown | E | **blue** | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | black roof | none | none | **smooth** |  | #73 |  |  | 25, 26 | 1987-11 | 1982 |

**CODE 2 ISSUES:**

| **#** | **body** | **chassis** | **base** | **windows** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **deco** | **base no.** | **spare tire** | **roof surface** | **donor #** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| 46 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | MB USA HERSHEY tampo | 73 | hollow | textured | 03 |  | MB USA | CCI | USA | 46 | 2000-08 | 2000 |
| f20 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | MB COLLECTOR TOM LARSON tampo | 73 | hollow | textured | 03 |  | MB NW | CCI | USA |  |  | 2006 |
| f22 | cream | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | MB COLLECTOR DON WINDHAM tampo | 73 | hollow | textured | 03 |  | MB NW | CCI | USA |  |  | 2006 |
| 53 | met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | SAAD'S AMEEN / MARIO tampo | 73 | none | textured | 13 |  | Malik | CCI | USA | 53 | 2017-06 | 2017 |
| 54 | met. green | dk. green | E | dk. green | 5 crown 11.5x4mm | dot dash 14x5mm | SAAD'S AMEEN / NINJAGO tampo | 73 | none | textured | 13 |  | Malik | CCI | USA | 54 | 2017-06 | 2017 |

**USA codes:**

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| **MB 73-C** |  |  |  |

**UK codes:**

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| **73E** |  |  |  |

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| **ROW numbers:** | **73** (1979-1982) |
| **USA numbers:** | **73** (1979-1982) |
| **Other numbers:** | **none** |

**NOTES:**

**Same chassis, base and grille as LS 38-E.**

**This model was allocated the MAN number 073 in 1982.**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **code** | **base lettering** |
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| a | small (longest line 22mm) |
| b | large (longest line 25mm) |

**ODDITIES:**

| **code** | **description** |
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| oa | windows faded to yellow |

**Previous ref.: none**

**Later ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ MI 073 MODEL A FORD Coupé**

**BOX TYPES:**

| **#** | **type** | **description** | **note** | **area** | **date** |
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| 01 | L | with NEW, "MATCHBOX" (MARCA REGISTRADA)..., two lines in rectangle, MARK 7 on end flaps, circled cross on inner end flaps |  |  | 1979 |
| 02 | L | with NEW, "MATCHBOX" (MARCA REGISTRADA)..., two lines in rectangle, MARK 7 on end flaps, no circled cross on inner end flaps |  |  | 1980 |
| 03 | L | without NEW, "MATCHBOX" IS THE REGISTERED..., five lines in rectangle, MARK 7 on end flaps, no circled cross on inner end flaps |  |  | 1981 |
| 04 | L | without NEW, "MATCHBOX" IS THE REGISTERED..., five lines in rectangle, no MARK on end flaps, no circled cross on inner end flaps |  | ROW | 1982 |
| 05 | Ger-B | red & yellow window box with individual picture |  | D | 1980 |
| 06 | Ger-B | red & yellow generic window box |  | D | 1981/82 |
| 07 | Ita | black & white generic window box |  | I | 1981 |
| 08 | M | red & yellow generic picture box |  | USA | 1982 |
| 09 | Win-A | blue generic window box, 1981 LESNEY, ENGLAND, with MATCHBOX logo at bottom |  | ROW | 1982 |
| 10 | Win-A | blue generic window box, 1981 LESNEY, ENGLAND, without MATCHBOX logo at bottom, without barcode |  | ROW | 1982 |