**MI 073** (1983) **MODEL A FORD Coupé**

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| © year on base: 1979  scale: 1:52 (not cast on base)  length: 71mm  width: 32/36mm  height: 35mm  MATCHBOX lettering on base: bold italic / bold italic in frame  additional lettering on base: Superfast (script) / none  company on base: MATCHBOX TOYS LTD / MATCHBOX INT'L LTD  number on base: none  cast license plate: none | metal chassis  plastic base  no base number  no interior  plastic wheels  no spare tire  smooth roof surface  silver plated plastic grille |  |

| **#** | **body** | **chassis** | **base** | **windows** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **hubs** | **deco** | **base type** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| 0010 | beige | brown | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | black roof tampo | C | c | #73 |  |  | 21 |  | 1983 |
| 0020 | **lt.** beige | brown | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | black roof tampo | C | c | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1983 |
| 0030 | beige | brown | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | black roof tampo | **D** | d | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1985 |
| 0040 | **lt.** beige | brown | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | black roof tampo | **D** | d | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1985 |
| 0050 | red | black | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | black roof tampo | D | d | #73 |  |  | 23 | 1985-05 | 1985 |
| 0060 | black | black | black M | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | orange & white flames tampo | D | d, **doa** | #73 |  |  | 24 | 1986-04 | 1986 |
| 0070 | **greenish** black | black | black M | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | orange & white flames tampo | D | d | #73 |  |  |  |  | 1987 |
| 0080 | black | black | black M | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | orange & white flames tampo | **E or F** | e, f | #73 |  |  | 27 | 1989-03 | 1989 |
| 0090 | purple | yellow | black M | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | pink / blue / yellow stripes tampo | E or F | e, f | #73 |  | USA | 28, 29 | 1989-05, 1990-02 | 1989 |
| 0100 | purple | yellow | black **T** | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | pink / blue / yellow stripes tampo | **J** | j | #55 |  | USA | 32 | 1991-05 | 1991 |
| 0110 | yellow | red | black M | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | PAVA tampo | E or F | f |  | PR | DK | 30 | 1990-06 | 1990 |
| 0120 | red | dk. green | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | none | E or F | f | PG Tips | PR | GB | 31 | 1991-02 | 1991 |
| 0130 | red | dk. green | black **T** | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | none | **J** | j | PG Tips | PR | GB | 33 | 1991-09 | 1991 |
| 0140 | red | dk. green | black **C** | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | none | **K** |  | PG Tips | PR | GB | 34 | 1991-10 | 1991 |
| 0150 | orange- yellow | white | black T | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | GT & white roof w/ yellow insect emblem tampo | J | j | var. SC | WR | USA | 35 | 1992-03 | 1992 |
| 0160 | powder blue | red | black T | colorless | **yel.** 5 cr 11.5x4mm | **yel.** rac spec 15x7.5mm | **yellow** | clown tampo | J | j | MC-803 | MC | ROW | 36 | 1992-08 | 1992 |
| 0170 | white | pink | black T | colorless | blk. 5 ar 11x5.5mm | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | pink / black / yellow zigzag design tampo | J | j | #55 / 25 |  |  | 37 | 1993-05 | 1993 |
| 0180 | dk. met. blue | dk. met. blue | black T | colorless | blk. 5 ar 11x5.5mm | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | green & pink design tampo | J | j | 3 pack | MP | USA | 38 | 1993-06 | 1993 |
| 0190 | met. red | met. red | black T | colorless | blk. 5 ar 11x5.5mm | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | sil. front, **gray** rear | detailed trim & black roof tampo | J | j | #5 var. P1 | CC | USA | 39 | 1994-09 | 1994 |
| 0200 | red | red | black T | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | white & blue design tampo | J | j | Hot Rods | 5P | USA | 40 | 1995-02 | 1995 |
| 0210 | met. gold | black | black T | smoke | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | MB COLLECTORS CLUB, black roof tampo, lic. MCC-3 | J | j | var. WA | CL | USA | 41 | 1995-07 | 1995 |
| 0220 | white | dk. purple | black T | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm | silver | pink / blue / yellow stripes, TEMECULA ROD RUN tampo | J | j | var. ZX | PR | USA | 42 | 1996-04 | 1996 |
| 0230 | matt gray | black | black C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | THE UNTOUCHABLES, bullet holes, black roof tampo | M |  |  | STR | USA | 44 | 1999-03 | 1999 |
| 0240 | matt gray | black | black C **#** | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | THE UNTOUCHABLES, bullet holes, black roof tampo | M | ma |  | STR | USA | 45 | 1999-06 | 1999 |
| 0250 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | **none** | M |  | ASAP | BLK | USA |  |  | 2002 |

**CODE 2 ISSUES:**

| **#** | **body** | **chassis** | **base** | **windows** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **hubs** | **deco** | **base type** | **donor #** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| 2010 | met. gold | black | black T | smoke | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | AMERICAN IRON CRUISE 96, black roof tampo | J | 0210 | j | Marshall | CCI | USA | 43 | 1996-09 | 1996 |
| 2020 | met. gold | black | black T | smoke | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | MB COLLECTORS CLUB / HANS IRMER / COTTBUS 2000 tampo | J | 0210 |  |  | C2 | D |  |  | 2000 |
| 2030 | red | black | black M | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | black roof, MB TOY SHOW / HERSHEY PA / 2011 tampo | D | 0050 |  | DTE | CCI | USA | 51 | 2011-10 | 2011 |
| 2040 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | AFLAC tampo (white, trunk) | M | 0250 |  |  | ASAP | USA |  |  |  |
| 2050 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | JUST MARRIED! JACK & LISA tampo (white, trunk) | M | 0250 |  |  | ASAP | USA |  |  | 2002 |
| 2060 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | K in circle tampo (red & white, sides) | M | 0250 |  |  | ASAP | USA |  |  |  |
| 2070 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | SAE 100 tampo (white, trunk) | M | 0250 |  |  | ASAP | USA |  |  |  |
| 2080 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | SIMONIZ tampo (red & yellow, roof) | M | 0250 |  |  | ASAP | USA | 48 | 2006-06 |  |
| 2090 | black | lt. gray | **gray** C | colorless | blk. 5 cr 11.5x4mm | blk. dot dash 14x5mm | silver | THE NEW CRAWFORD tampo (silver, roof & left side) | M | 0250 | m |  | ASAP | USA | 47 | 2002-08 | 2002 |

**PRE-PRODUCTIONS:**

| **#** | **body** | **chassis** | **base** | **windows** | **front wheels** | **rear wheels** | **hubs** | **deco** | **base type** | **prod #** | **sub-var** | **note** | **cate** | **area** | **Mack #** | **Mack date** | **date** |
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| 9060 | black | black | black M | colorless | blk. **5 ar** 11x5.5mm w/ extension | blk. rac spec 15x7.5mm, **silver** lettering | silver | orange & white flames tampo | D | 0060 | d |  | P |  |  |  | 1986 |

**USA codes:**

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| **MB 73-C** | **MB 55-I** | **MB 25-H** |  |

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| **ROW numbers:** | **73** (1983-1988) | **25** (1993) |
| **USA numbers:** | **73** (1983-1989) | **55** (1991-1993) |
| **Other numbers:** | **J 50** (1984-1987) |  |

**NOTES:**

**This model was assigned the number M460 for use as an ASAP promotional.**

**Same chassis, base and grille as MI 038.**

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| **Base types:** | **A** | **England, LESNEY PRODUCTS, 3 base rivets, small lettering ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LS 73-C** |
|  | **B** | **England, LESNEY PRODUCTS, 3 base rivets, large lettering ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LS 73-C** |
|  | **C** | **Macau, MATCHBOX TOYS, raised panel, 3 base rivets** |
|  | **D** | **Macau, MATCHBOX TOYS, raised panel, 2 base rivets** |
|  | **E** | **Macau, MATCHBOX INT'L, flat surface** |
|  | **F** | **Macau, MATCHBOX INT'L, raised panel** |
|  | **J** | **Thailand, MATCHBOX INT'L, flat surface** |
|  | **K** | **China, MATCHBOX INT'L, raised panel** |
|  | **M** | **China, MATCHBOX INT'L, flat surface** |
|  | **N** | **China, Mattel Inc., raised panel, new logo (oval) ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ MW 073** |

**(Other base types only used on MI 038.)**

**SUB-VARIATIONS:**

| **code** | **base type** | **batch number location** |
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| c | C | no batch number |
| d | D | no batch number |
| e | E | no batch number |
| f | F | no batch number |
| j | J | no batch number |
| k | K | no batch number |
| m | M | no batch number |
| ma | M | above MATCHBOX logo (EA) |

**ODDITIES:**

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

**Previous ref.: ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ LS 73-C MODEL A FORD Coupé**

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