

M9 LMS PERIOD I KITCHEN CAR (RK)

D1697

73 built 1924-1932; withdrawn 1953*-1962; 1 preserved

50'

* - 1 withdrawn 1931 due to accident damage

These etched sides can be built into a complete coach using products from our range as supplied in our full kits. Please refer to the panel opposite. Should you prefer they can also be used for scratchbuilding.

The kitchen car contained no passenger accommodation. Its sole purpose was to provide meals when the demand was greater than could be met by a kitchen/dining car. They were marshalled between at least one open first (e.g. COMET MODELS M16, M33, M34) and one or two open thirds (e.g. COMET MODELS M4, M5, M21, M22, M40, M41, M42). They were also used on excursion trains serving the open coaches which usually made up such services. Six were rebuilt by BR as "Party Cars" in 1955.

Sample formations

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| <i>The Royal Scot</i> 1927, Edinburgh portion | BFK/FO/ RK /TO/TK/BTK |
| <i>The Thames Clyde Express</i> 1927 | BG/TK/TO/RTO/ RK /FO/BFK |
| <i>The Welshman</i> 1934 | BCK/TK/TK/BCK/BTK/CK/FO/ RK /TO/BTK |
| <i>The Merseyside Express</i> 1934 | BTK/CK/BFK/FO/RF/CK/CK/TO/ RK /TO/BTK/TK/TK/BFK |

Running numbers

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| 30000-30007 built 1924 | 30057-30071 built 1928 | all were |
| 30008-30036 built 1925 | 30072 built 1932 | built at |
| 30037-30056 built 1926 | | Derby |

30034 rebuilt in 1938 to D1912. 30001/03/06/07/17/18 rebuilt in 1953 as "Party Cars".

Livery

The LMS coach body colour was maroon. Ends were also maroon with the detail picked out in black, but from the end of 1936 they were painted all over black. Fully panelled livery was applied with lining in black and gold leaf, later yellow. On flush sided coaches the lining was laid out as though the coach was panelled (so called 'pseudo-panelling'); sometimes the verticals were at the edges of the window frames, otherwise they were on the centre of the panel between them. Simple lining was adopted at the beginning of 1934. In 1946 the yellow was replaced with a much lighter shade referred to as 'straw'. From 1949 coaches received BR crimson and cream. From 1956/7 BR maroon with simple lining was adopted.

Number and lettering styles, insignia and class designation placement did not always follow the changes of livery. For further information on a particular vehicle at a specific date please consult references and photographs.

Early coaches received lead grey roofs with black between the cantrail and rainstrip. All steel and later flush sided coaches had a metallic aluminium paint finish. However, in service the roof quickly took on an overall muddy grey colour.

Underframes and bogies were finished in black.

Further information

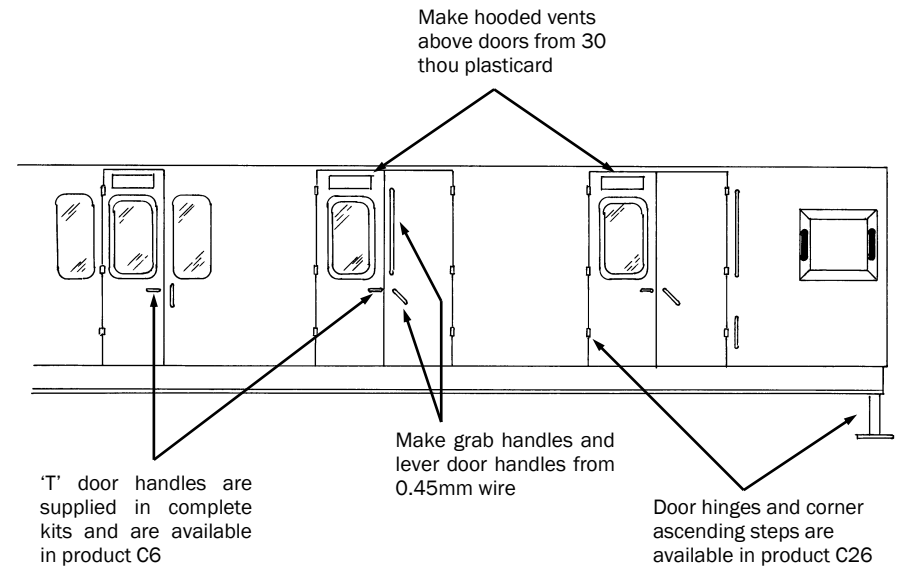
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| LMS Standard Coaching Stock Vol. II Historic Carriage Drawings | Jenkinson & Essery Jenkinson & Campling | O.P.C. Ian Allan |
| Passenger Train Formations 1923-1983 LMS LM Region | Clive S Carter | Ian Allan |
| British Railways Pre-Nationalisation Coaching Stock Vol. 2 | H Longworth | O.P.C. |

COMET MODELS components required to complete this carriage are:

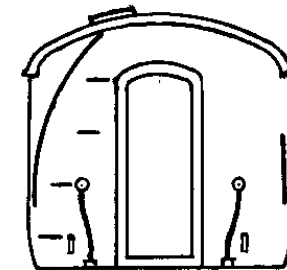
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| Underframe | UM3 | Bogies | BM2 |
| Underframe castings | UCM1 | Roof castings | RC1/4 |
| Ends | EM3 | End castings | ECM1 |
| Roof | C10 | Gas cylinders | C18 |
| Gas lamp tops | C21 | | |

Scrap views showing additional detailing of sides and ends

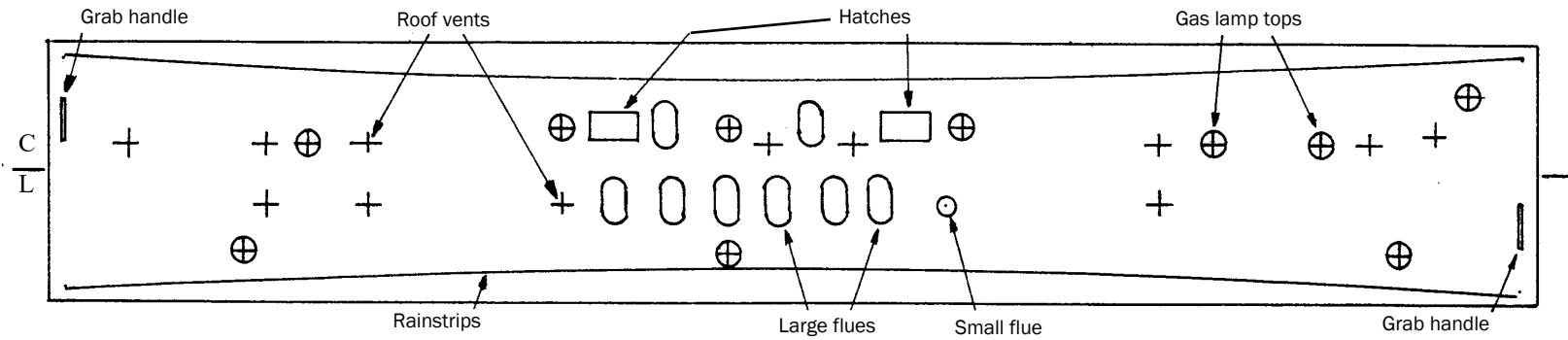
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The ends are identical

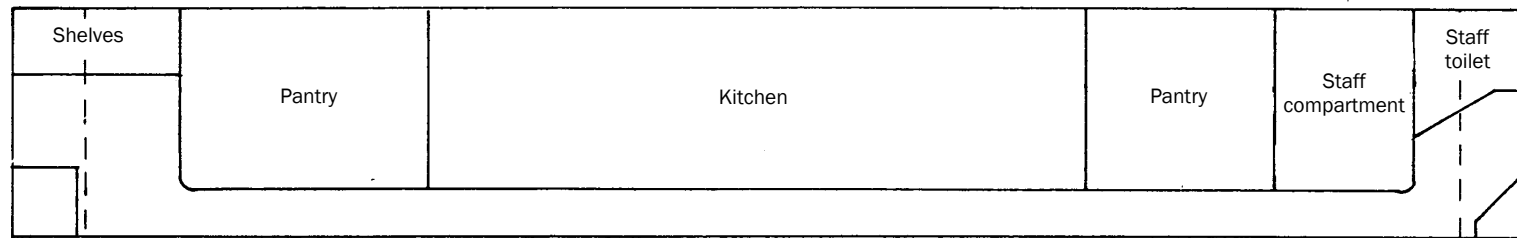


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**ROOF AND INTERIOR PLANS
VIEWED FROM ABOVE**

Dropflight and fixed quarter light in staff compartment had clear glazing. All other windows had obscured glass

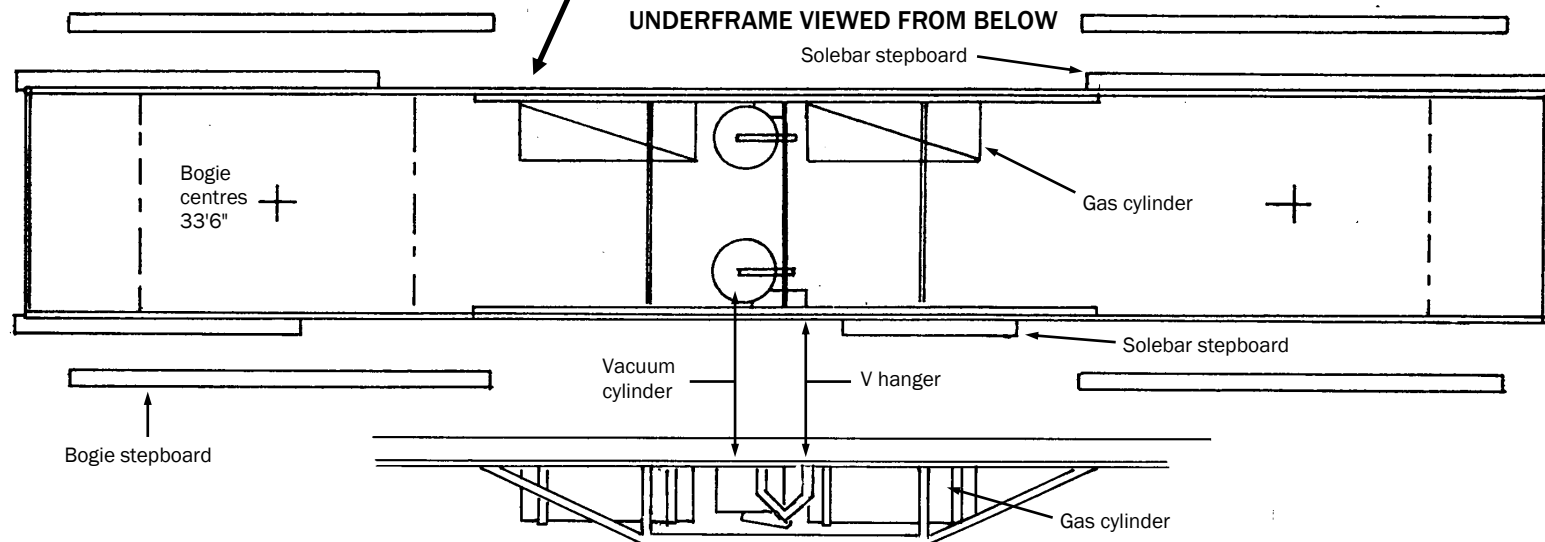


Cut floor to clear end

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Common edge

UNDERFRAME VIEWED FROM BELOW



Bogie stepboard

Gas cylinder