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TAMIYA 12011

Tamiya 1/12 Honda F-1 Model Kit (Model 12011) Instruction Manual

Detailed instructions for assembly, operation, and maintenance of your Tamiya 1/12 Honda F-1 plastic model kit.

HONDA F-1

1:12 IDENTICAL
SCALE

Length 333mm
Width 143mm
Height 70mm

SUPER DETAILED FUEL INJECTION ENGINE
STEERABLE FRONT WHEELS
SEM. PNEUMATIC RUBBER LIKE TIRES
REALISTIC DRIVER'S FIGURE

BIG
SCALE



Image: The packaging for the Tamiya 1/12 Honda F-1 model kit, showcasing the finished model on the box cover.

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Tamiya 1/12 Honda F-1 plastic model kit, Model 12011. This kit allows you to construct a highly detailed replica of the iconic Honda F-1 racing car in 1:12 scale. This manual provides essential information and

guidance for the successful assembly, display, and care of your model.

Please read all instructions carefully before beginning assembly. Keep this manual for future reference.

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Before starting assembly, ensure you have a clean, well-lit workspace and all necessary tools. The kit includes plastic model parts, decals, and this instruction manual. Additional tools such as plastic cement, hobby knife, side cutters, sandpaper, and paints are required and sold separately.

1. Unpacking and Part Inspection



Image: The kit contents laid out, including various plastic sprues, decals, and the manual. This image shows the initial state of the kit components inside the box.

1. Carefully open the product packaging.
2. Remove all plastic sprues, decals, and the instruction manual.
3. Verify that all parts listed in the kit's parts diagram (found in the included manual) are present and undamaged.
4. Familiarize yourself with the parts layout on the sprues.

2. Preparation of Parts

- Use side cutters to carefully remove parts from the sprues. Avoid pulling or twisting, which can damage the part.
- Trim any excess plastic, known as "flash," from the parts using a hobby knife or fine-grit sandpaper. Smooth edges for a

clean fit.

- Test fit parts before applying cement to ensure proper alignment.

3. Assembly Steps

Follow the step-by-step diagrams and instructions provided in the separate, detailed assembly manual included in your kit. Pay close attention to part numbers and orientation.



Image: An exploded diagram illustrating the various components and their assembly points within the Honda F-1 model. This helps visualize the complex internal structure and assembly sequence.

- Apply plastic cement sparingly to bonding surfaces. Hold parts together firmly until the cement sets.
- Allow sufficient drying time for each assembled section before proceeding to the next step.
- For painting, refer to the color guide in the assembly manual. Apply thin, even coats of paint.
- Apply decals according to the instructions, using decal setting solutions if desired for a seamless finish.

HANDLING AND DISPLAY

Once assembled, your Tamiya 1/12 Honda F-1 model is a static display piece. Proper handling and display will preserve its condition.

- Handle the model by its main body or sturdy sections to avoid damaging delicate parts like wings, mirrors, or suspension components.
- Display the model on a stable, flat surface away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and high humidity.
- Consider using a display case to protect the model from dust and accidental damage.

MAINTENANCE

Regular, gentle maintenance will keep your model looking its best.

- **Dusting:** Use a soft, dry brush or a can of compressed air to gently remove dust from the model's surface. Avoid wiping with cloths, which can scratch paint or dislodge small parts.
- **Cleaning:** If necessary, lightly dampen a cotton swab with water (or a mild, plastic-safe cleaner) to clean stubborn spots.

Test on an inconspicuous area first.

- **Storage:** If storing the model for an extended period, place it in a sealed container or box to protect it from dust and environmental factors.

TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ASSEMBLY ISSUES

While Tamiya kits are known for their precision, some common issues may arise during assembly.

- **Parts Not Fitting:**

- Ensure you are using the correct parts for the step. Double-check part numbers against the manual.
- Inspect for excess plastic "flash" on the edges of parts. Carefully trim and sand these areas for a better fit.
- Sometimes, slight warping can occur in plastic parts. Gentle heat (e.g., from warm water) can sometimes be used to carefully reshape parts, but proceed with caution to avoid damage.

- **Decals Not Adhering:**

- Ensure the surface where the decal is applied is clean and smooth.
- Use decal setting solutions to help decals conform to irregular surfaces and improve adhesion.
- Allow decals to dry completely before handling the area.

- **Instructions in a Foreign Language:**

- If your included instruction manual is not in English, Tamiya often provides English versions for download on their official website. Search for "Tamiya 12011 manual" online.

SPECIFICATIONS

Brand	TAMIYA
Model Name	1/12 Honda F-1 (12011)
Scale	1:12
Material	Plastic
Included Components	Plastic model parts, decals, instruction manual
Manufacturer	Tamiya
Item Weight	1.94 pounds
Package Dimensions	19.37 x 11.97 x 3.07 inches
UPC	799959651448

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Specific warranty information for this Tamiya model kit is not provided in the product details. For any questions regarding missing parts, defects, or assembly assistance, please contact Tamiya customer support directly or refer to their official website for contact information.

Official Tamiya Website: www.tamiya.com

