

INTRODUCTION

The Serpent Viper 990 is designed to be a world champion, while still being easy to use, assemble, and set up. The Serpent Viper 990 offers state of the art specifications and leads the way in chassis design, using all the knowledge we have from 1/8 scale racing into this design too. Continuously pushing the performance envelope, Serpent's engineers have added new and innovative features that help take your Serpent Viper 990 into the winner's circle.

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Team Serpent Multiple World Champions

Instructions

Serpent's long tradition of excellence extends to the instruction manuals, and this instruction manual is no exception. The easy-to-follow layout is richly illustrated with 3D-rendered full-color images to make your building experience quick and easy. Following the instructions will result in a well-built, high-performance race-car that will soon be able to unleash its full potential at the racetrack. The kit includes bags, with bagnumbers, which refer to the same step in the manual. Open only the indicated bag(s) per step and finish that part of the assembly. Remaining parts will be needed lateron in the assembly process.

PLASTIC PARTS

The Serpent moulded parts are very durable and hard. When assembling longer screws in new composite parts, make sure to use new hex bits in your (power) tools. Pre-threading also helps to avoid screw damage.

SETUP

In certain assembly steps you need to make basic adjustments, which will give you a good initial setup for your Serpent Viper 990. Fine-tuning the initial setup is an essential part of building a high-performance racecar like your Serpent Viper 990.

EXPLODED NIEWS AND PARTS LIST

The exploded views and parts lists for the Serpent Viper 990 are presented in the Reference Guide section in the back of this manual. The exploded views show all the 990 parts of a particular assembly step along with the Serpent part number and hotlink to the Serpent website. Partnumbers in orange indicates that this part is an optional. Optionals part names and numbers are showed below.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Serpent has made a strong effort to make this manual as complete and clear as possible. Additional info may be published in our website: www.serpent.com or you may ask your dealer or the Serpent distributor for advice, or email Serpent direct: info@serpent.com. The Serpent Facebook, Twitter and Youtube pages give additional means of support and communications.

SAFETY

Read and take note of the 'Read this First section' before proceeding to assemble the car-kit. This car-kit is intended for persons aged 16 or older.

READ THIS FIRST!

- This is a highly technical hobby product, intended to be used in a safe racing environment. This car is capable of speeds in excess of 80 km/h or 50mph. Please follow these guidelines when building and operating this model.
- Parental guidance is required when the builder/user of this car is under 16.
- Follow the building instructions. If in doubt, contact your dealer or importer.
- Be sure to use the proper tools when assembling the car. Always exercise caution when using electric tools, knives and other sharp objects.
- Be careful when using liquids like lubrication oil, fuel or glue. Do not swallow.
- Follow the manufacturer's instruction in case you experience irritation after using the product.
- Be careful when operating the car. Stay away from any rotating parts such as wheels, gears and transmission. Stay away from motor, engine and exhaust pipe system or speedo during and immediately after use, as these parts may be very hot. We advise to use protective hand cloves.
- Only operate this car in a safe environment, like a special racing track or a closed parking lot. Avoid using this car on public roads, crowded places or near infants.
- Before operating this car, always check the mechanical status of the car. Also check that the transmitter and receiver frequencies correspond and are not used by any other racer at the same time. Check that the batteries of the transmitter and receiver- are fully charged.
- After use, always check all the mechanics of the car. We advise to clean the car immediately after use, and inspect the parts for wear or fractures. Replace when necessary. Do not use water, methanol, thinner or other solvents to clean the car.
- Empty the fuel tank (depending on model) if needed and disconnect the receiver battery.
- Store the car in a dry and heated place to avoid corrosion of metal parts.
- Avoid using this car in wet conditions as the water will cause corrosion on the metal parts and bearings and these parts will cease to function properly. If driven in the wet, ensure that all the electric equipment is waterproofed and after use, that all moving parts are dried immediately.

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How to use the manual

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LINES DESCRIPTION

Each step contains a variety of numbers, lines, and symbols. The numbers represent the order in which the parts should be assembled. The lines are described below.

1 2 3	Step number; the order in which you should assemble the indicated parts	
	Length after assembly	
	Assembly path of one item into another	
	Group of items (within lines) should be assembled first	
	Direction the item should be moved	
	Glue one item to another	
OO	Connect one item to another	
<u></u> ↑	Gap between two items	
	Press/Insert one item into another	

ICONS DESCRIPTION

Each step contains a variety of symbols described below.



Carefull, read and check very well.



Apply a small amount of cyano glue. Use wear protection for eyes and hands.



Detail view to explain assembly or order of parts better.



Default set-up: This symbol indicates the default setup.



Grease: apply a small amount of grease to the parts shown.



Silicone grease: apply a small amount of grease to the parts shown.



Thread lock: apply a small amount on the parts shown. Before to apply the threadlock, make sure to degrease the parts very well, as otherwise the threadlock will not work.



Silicone oil: use the indicated silicone oil for the shocks and differentials.



Oil: apply a small amount of oil to the parts shown.



Left and right parts should be assembled in the same way.



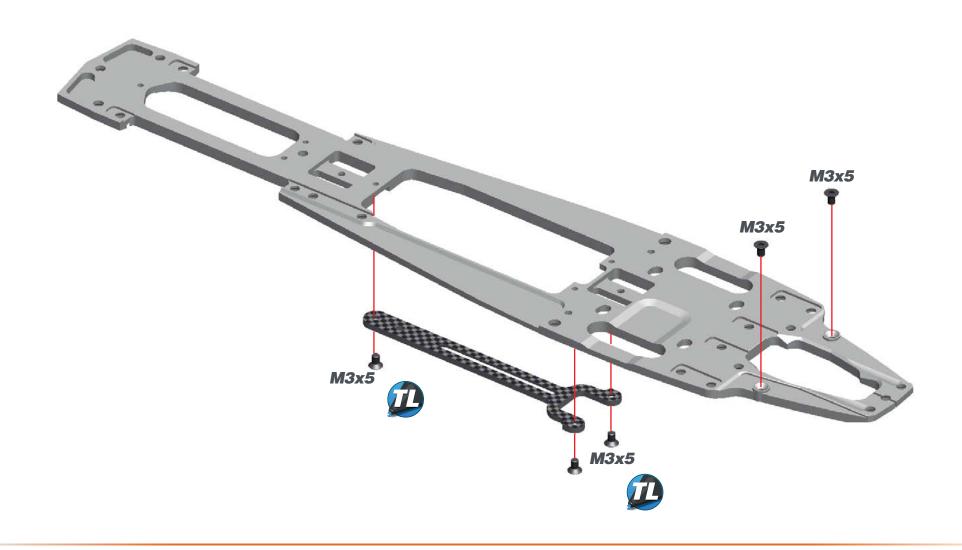
Parts or items not included in the kit.



Optional part, not standard in the kit.

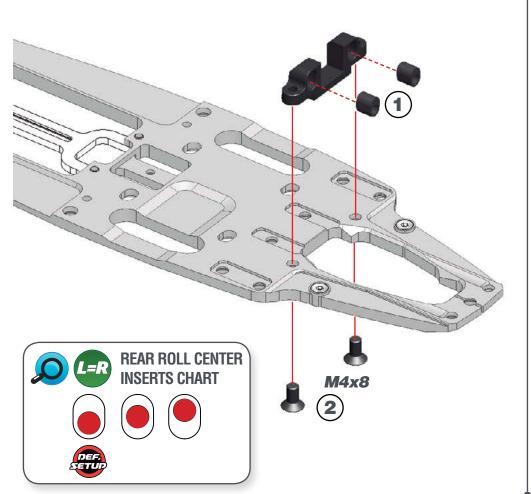


STEP 1 BRG 1















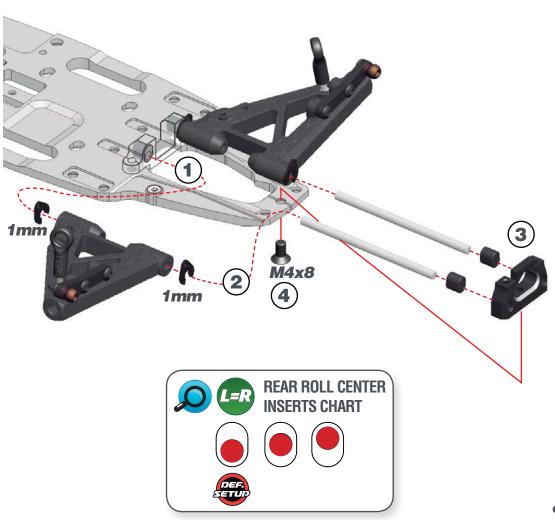


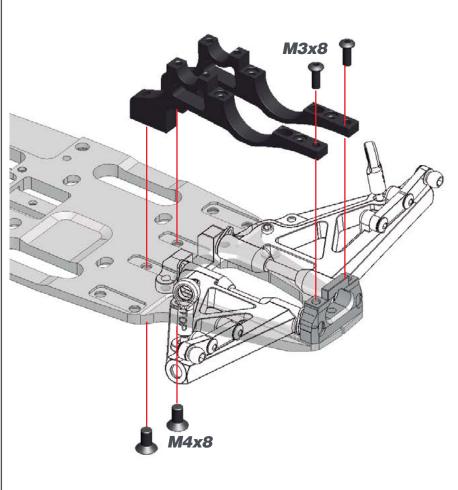










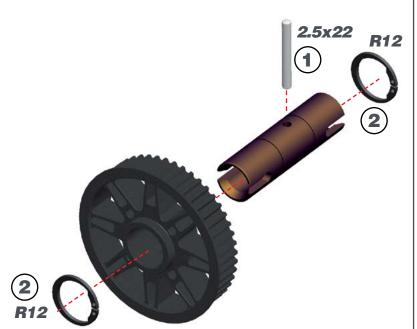


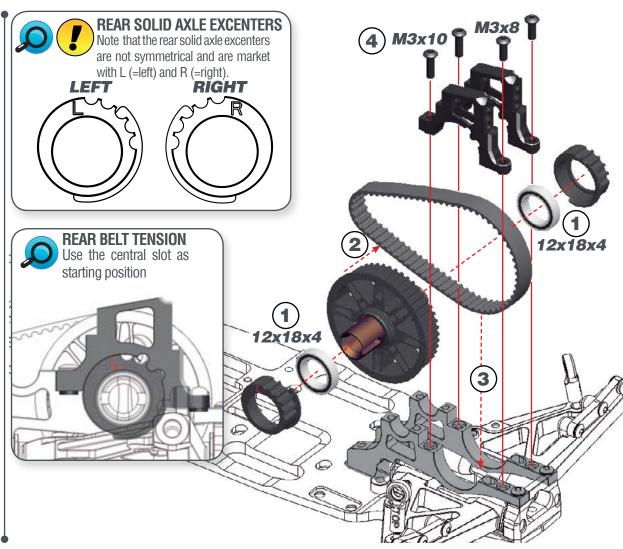


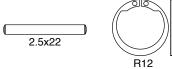


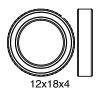








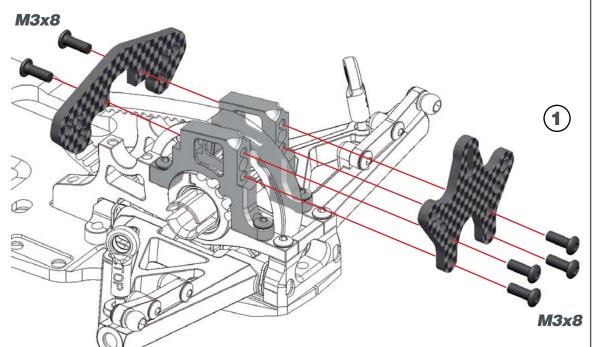












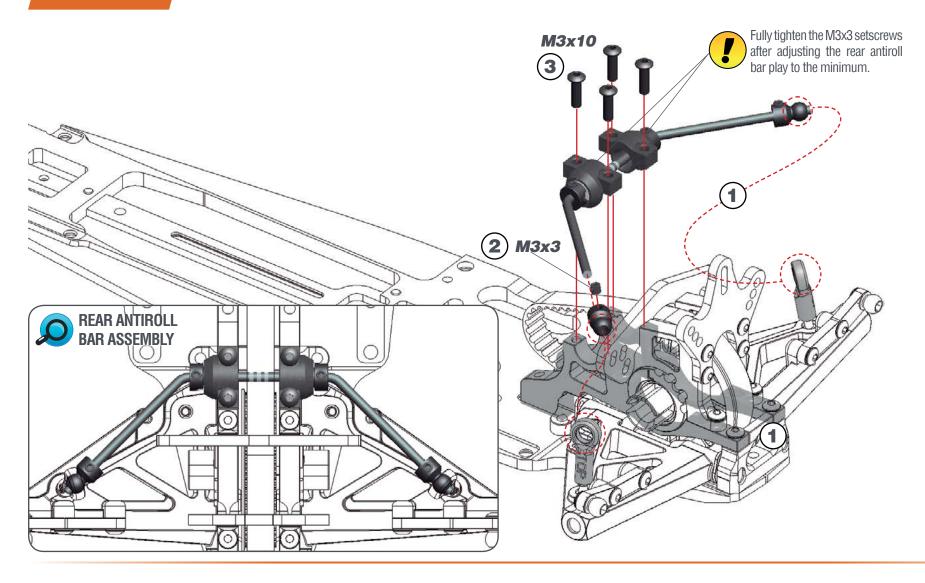










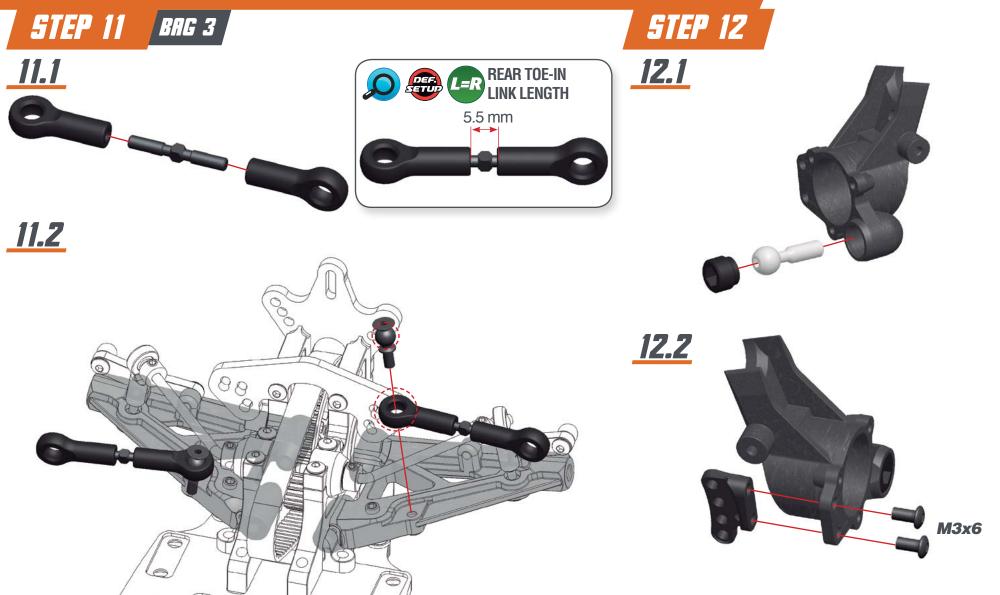








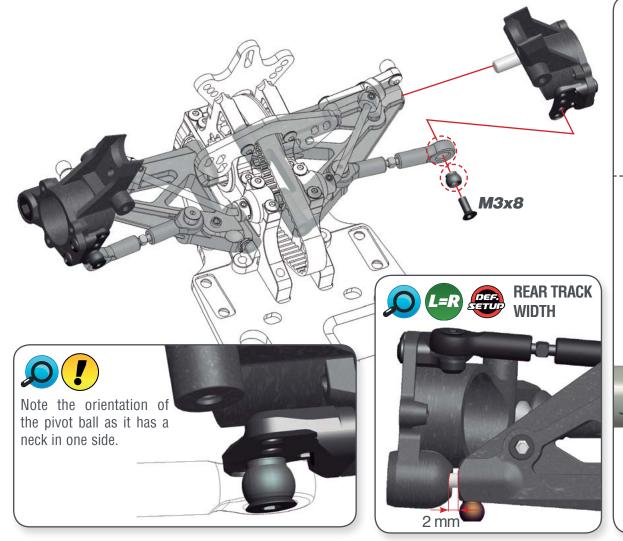






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STEP 13







REAR REACTIVE STEERING SYSTEM

Serpent 990 introduce the Active rear toe-in. It brings a new dimension to setup changing the toe-in characteristics of the rear tires under rolling effect. It allows to run less static toe-in and still have a good traction coming out of the corner.

Serpent RRS System brings the possibility to adjust the amount of toechange over the suspension travel from zero to positive or negative toechange depending on the linking point selected as explained below:















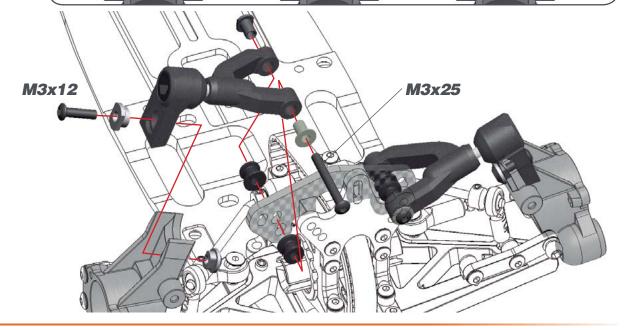




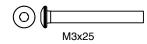
L=R REAR UPPER WHSIBONE ANGLE

Serpent introduces a new way to adjust the height of the upper pivot on the upright. By changing the excenter, it is possible to move the position up or down by 1.5mm as well as using a "neutral" position.

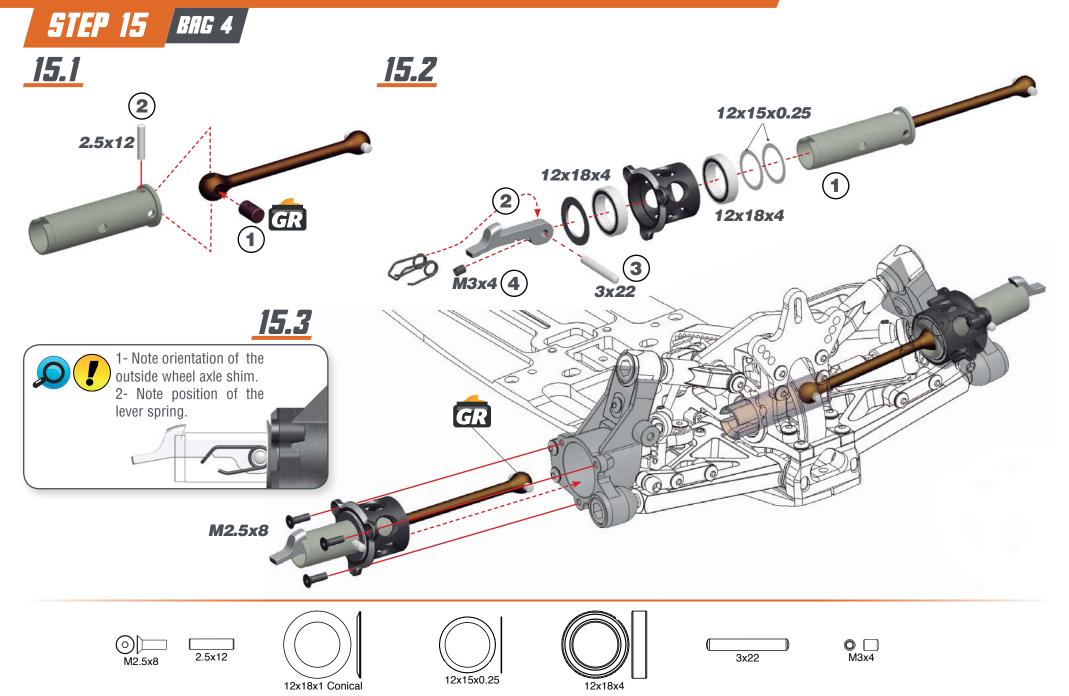




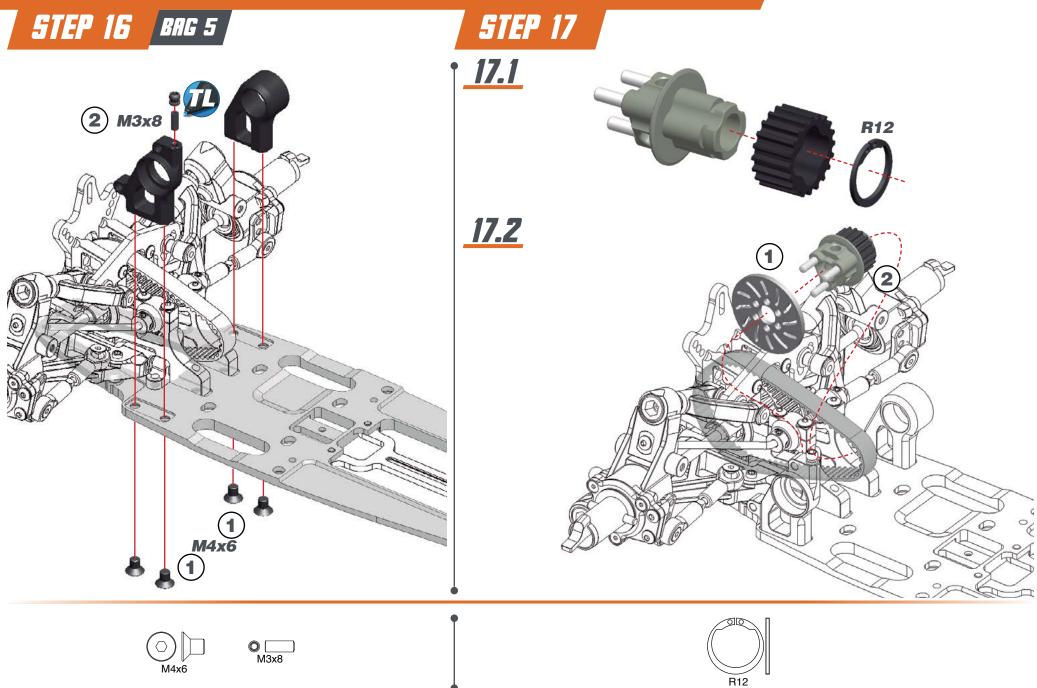






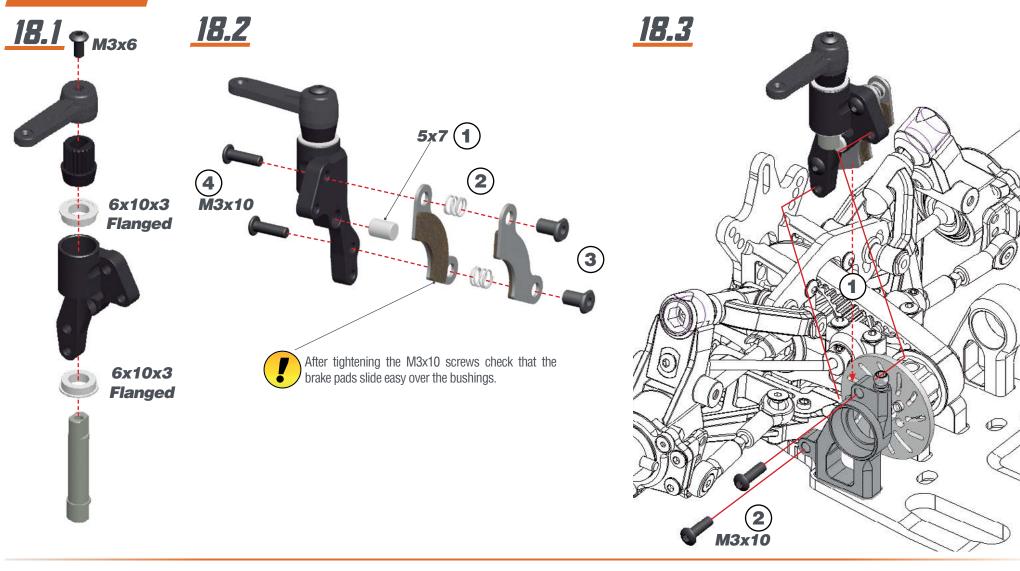




















GEARBOX ASSEMBLY



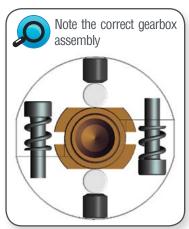


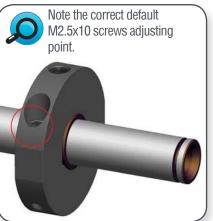




1- The M2.5x10 screws adjust the SHIFT POINT. As default adjustment screw them untill the screws will be be leveled with the hole as in the right pictures.

2- Adjust the M4x4 screw to minimise the gap between the shoes and the bell, but still spinning free without touching. Check after each run.





2.5x10

M4x6

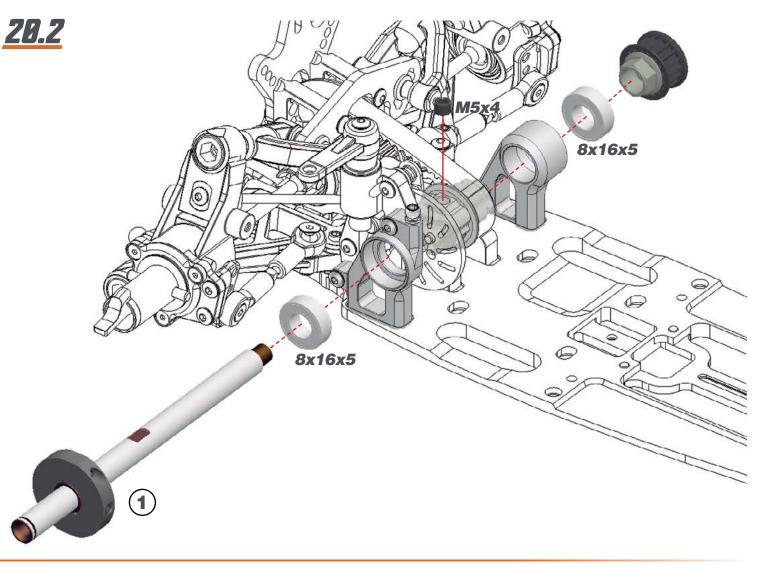
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©□ M4x4 M2.5x10



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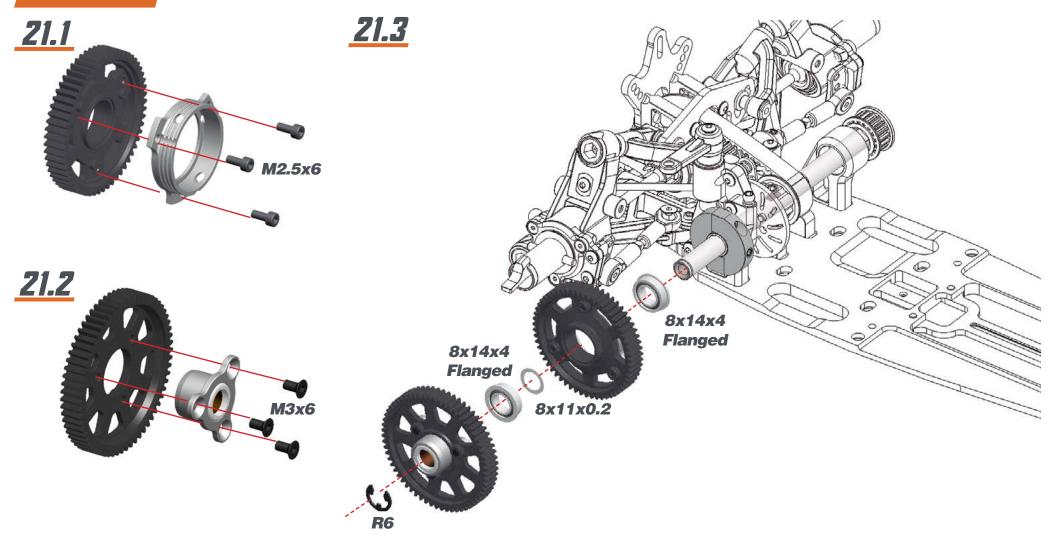


















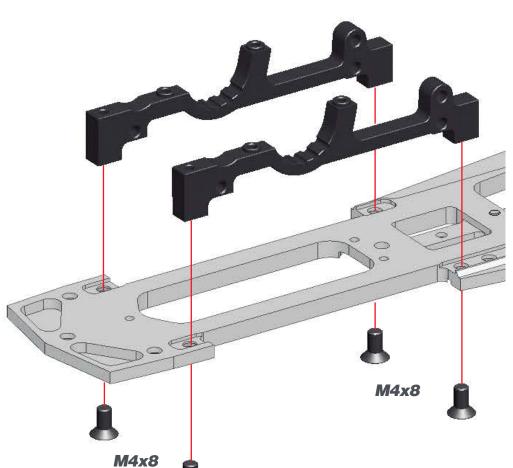






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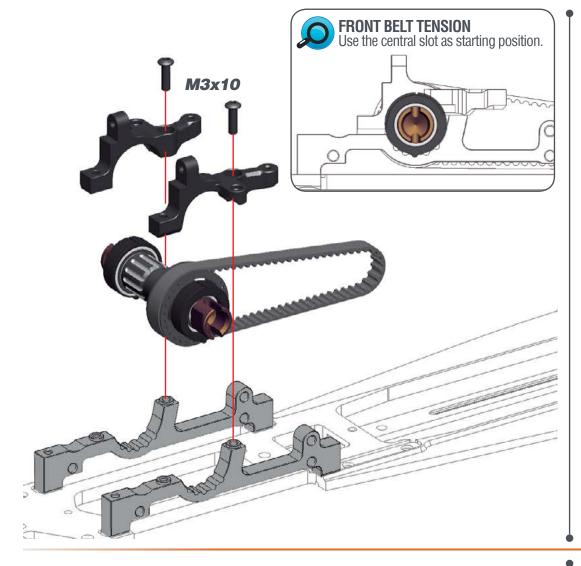


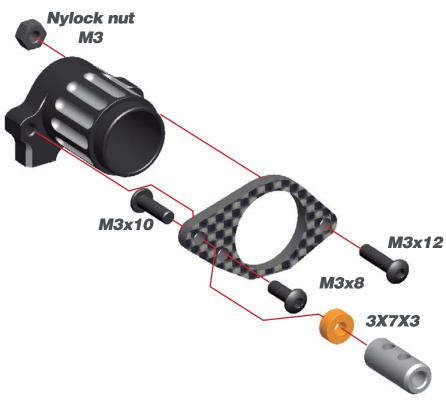
















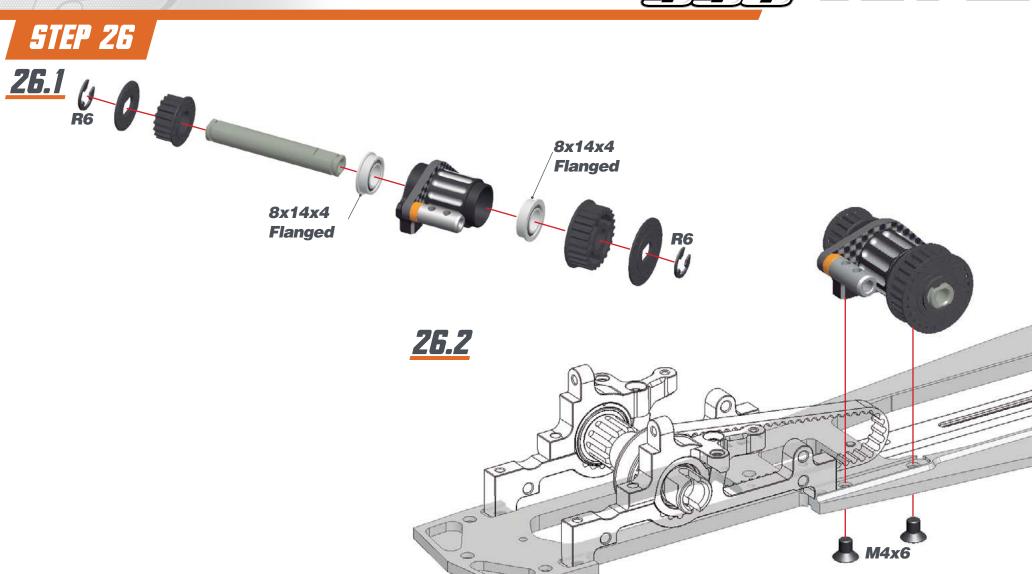












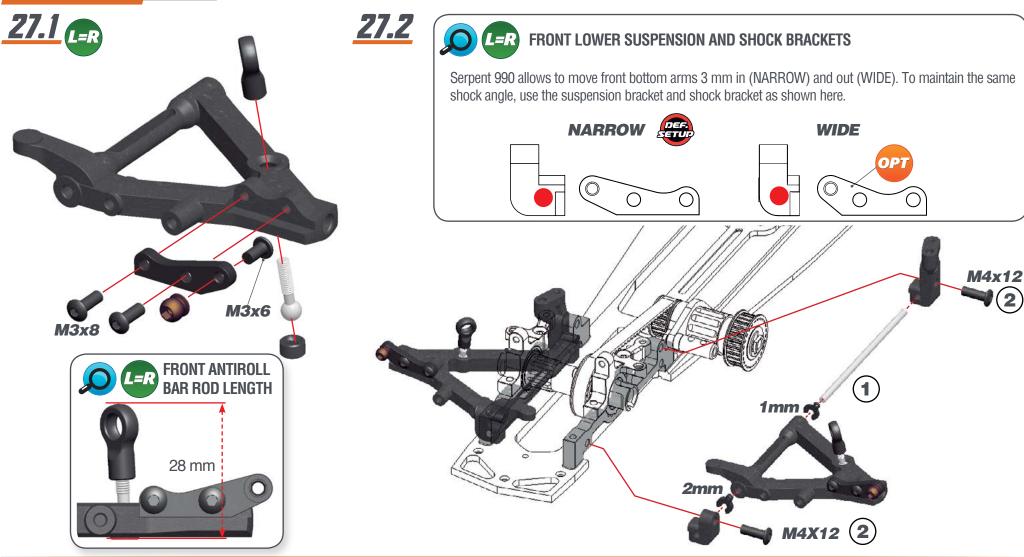






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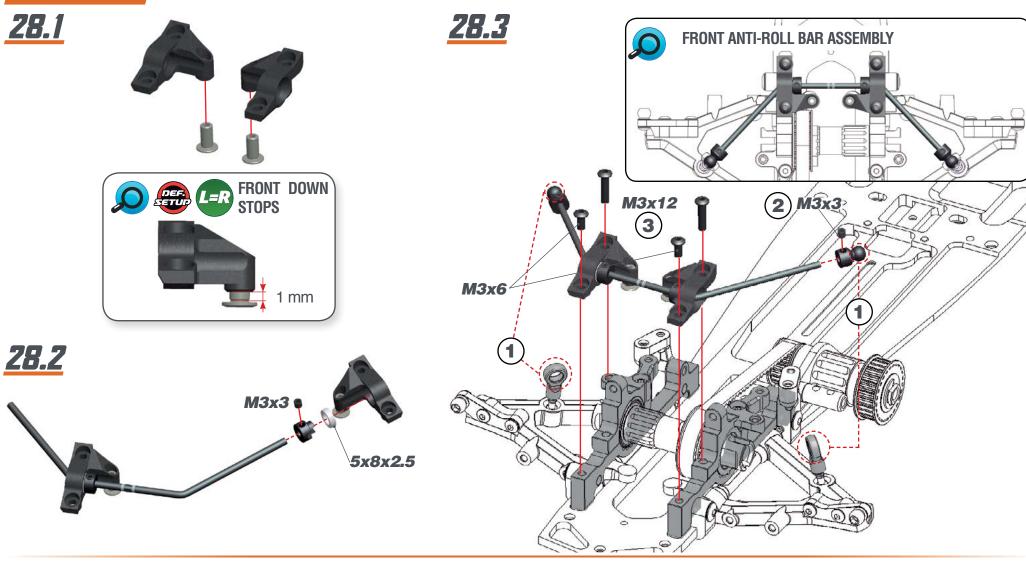










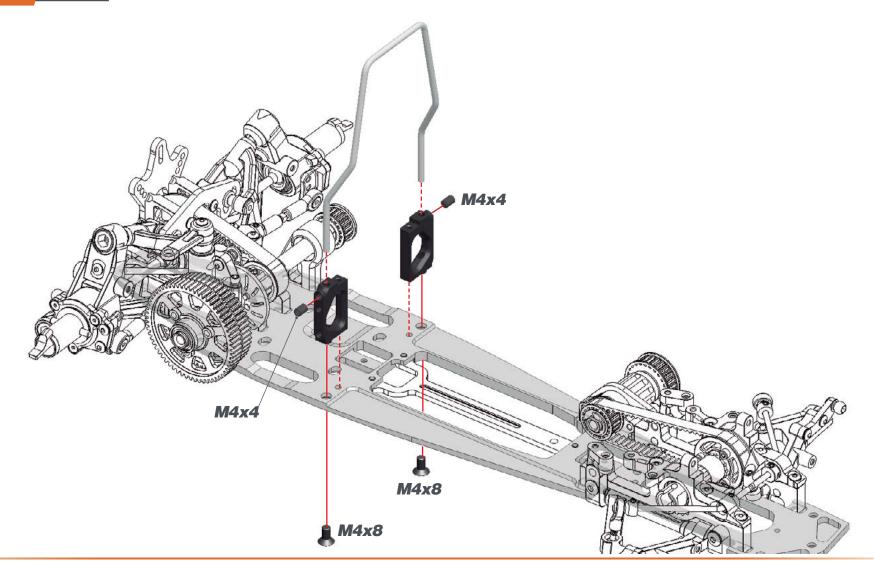








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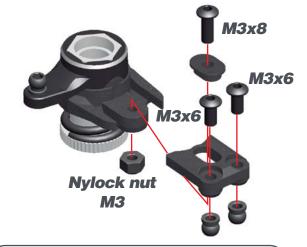
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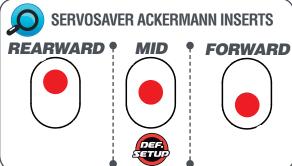


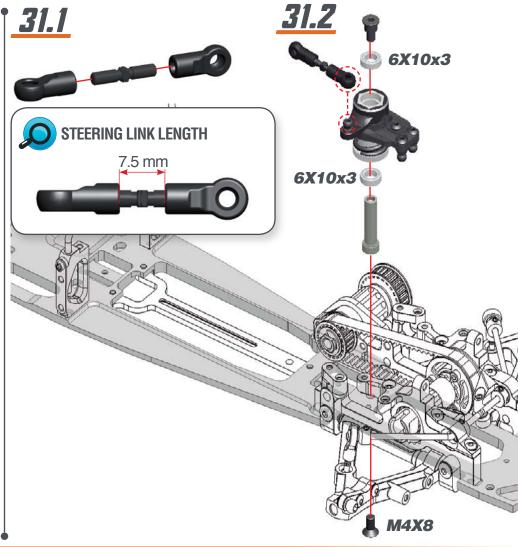




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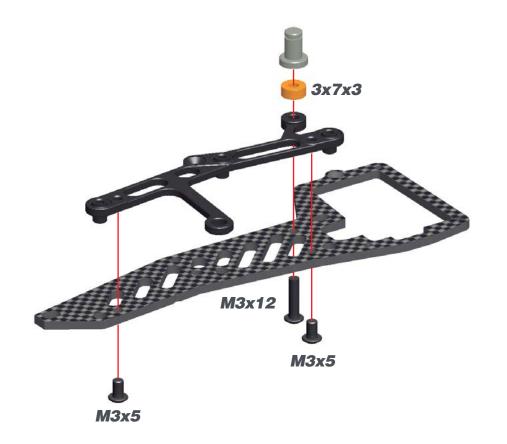


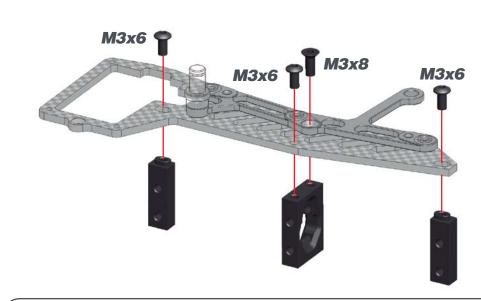


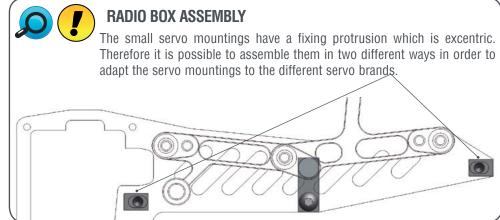
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STEP 32 BAG 10











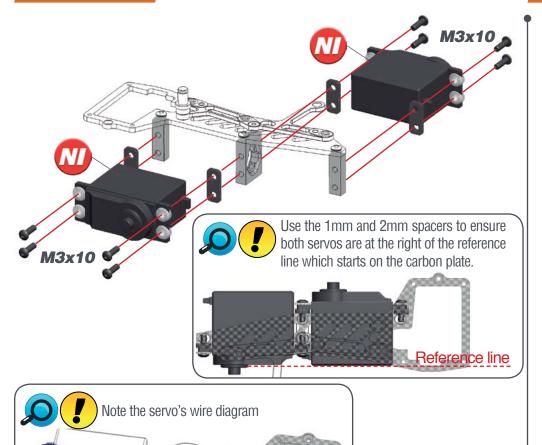


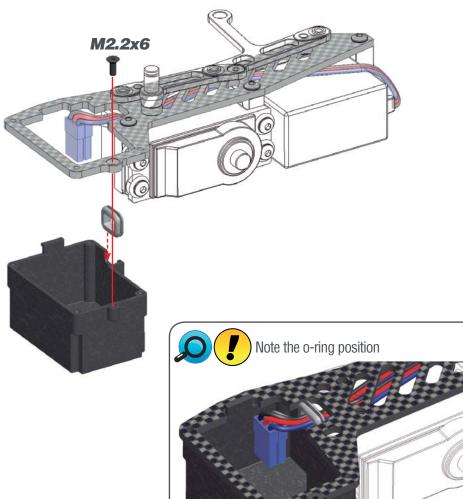










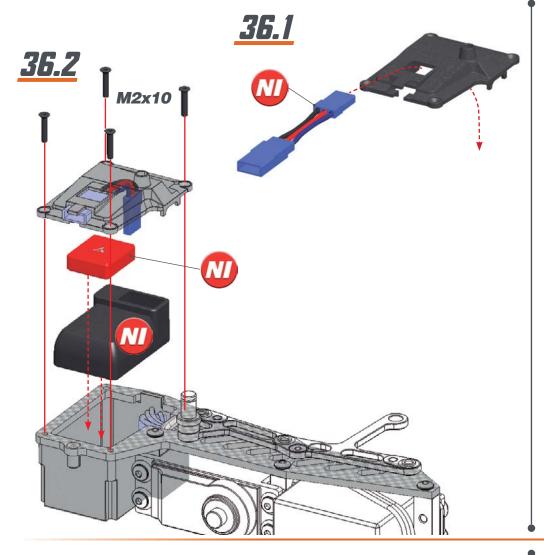


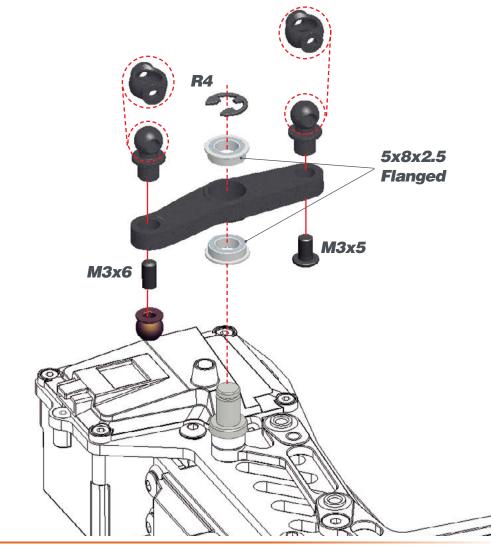
















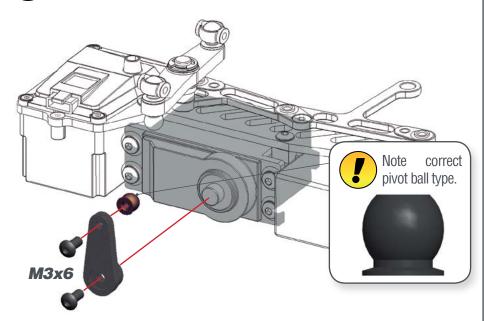


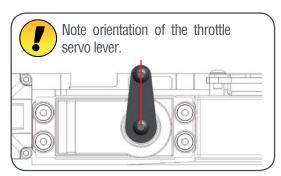






Check how many teeth your servo spline has (23, 24 or 25) and use the right lever.





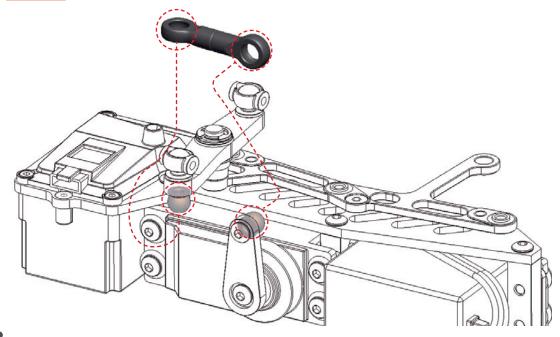
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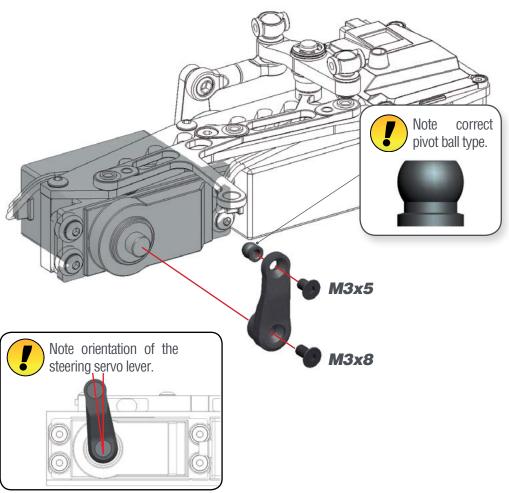




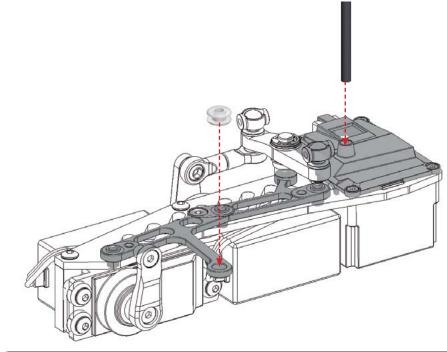


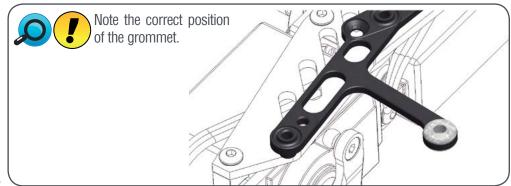


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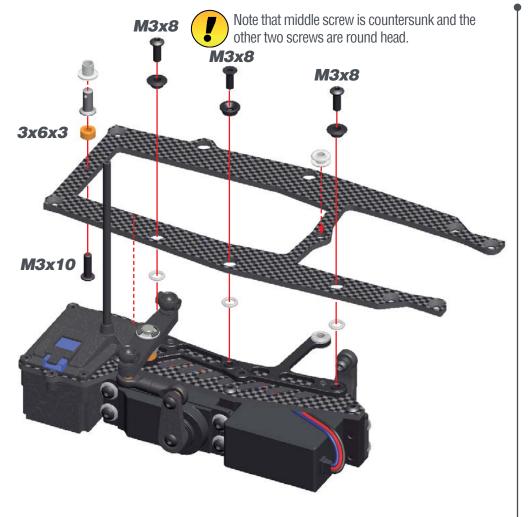


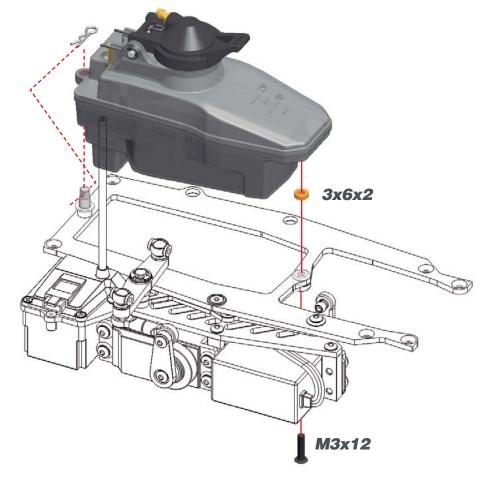






STEP 42 BRG 11









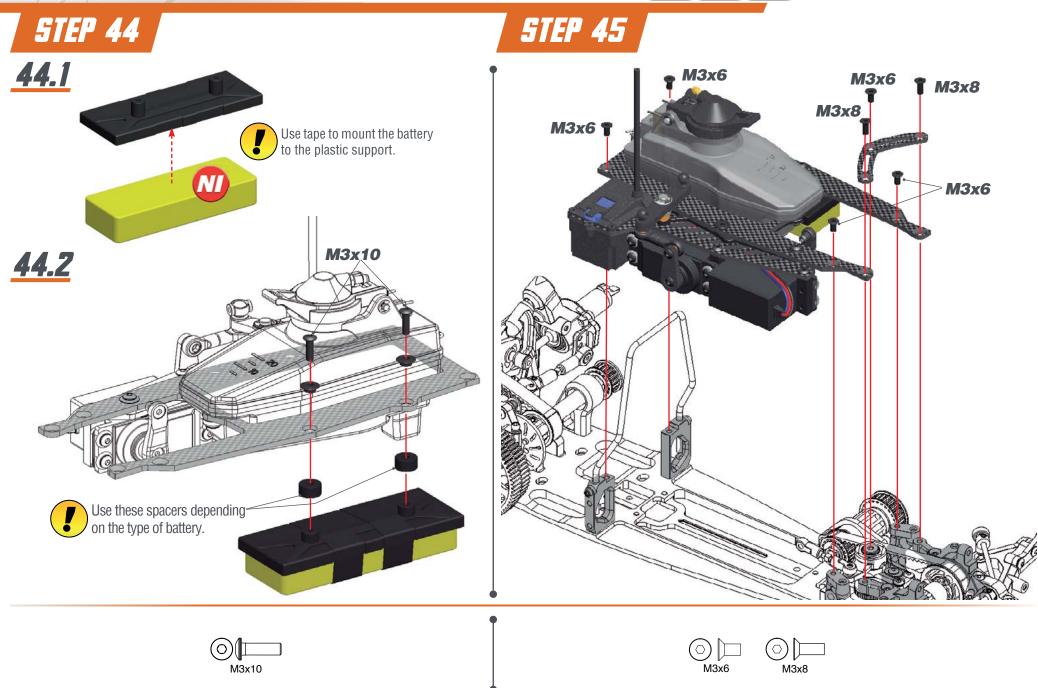








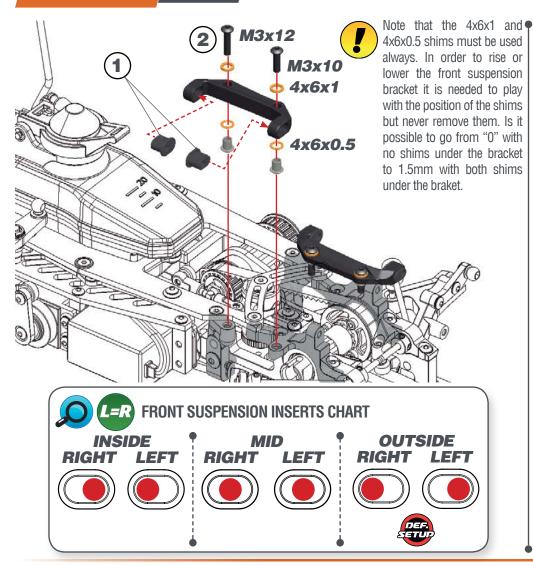
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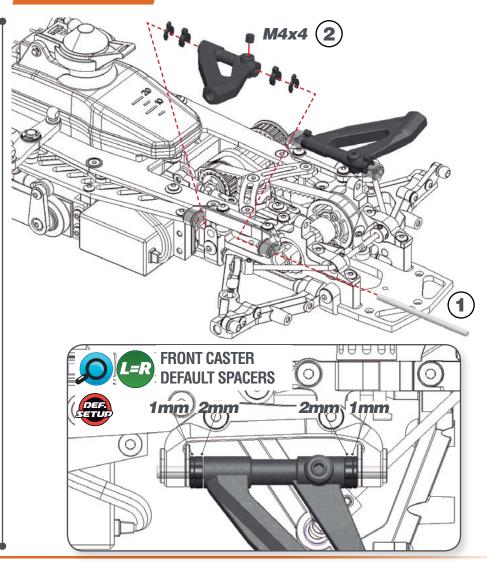


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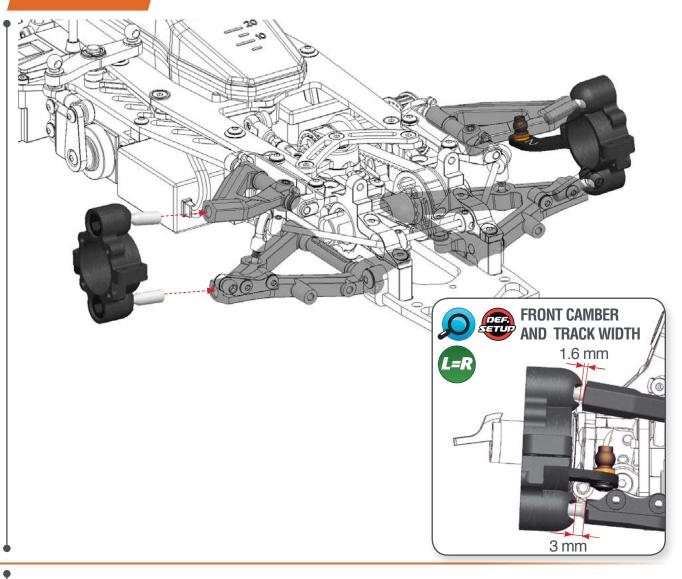






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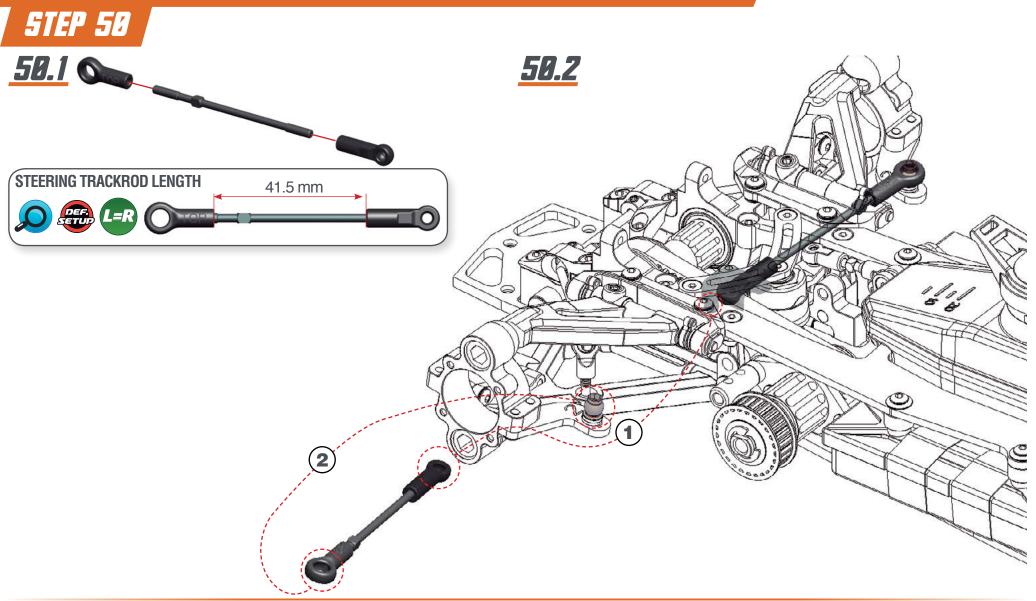






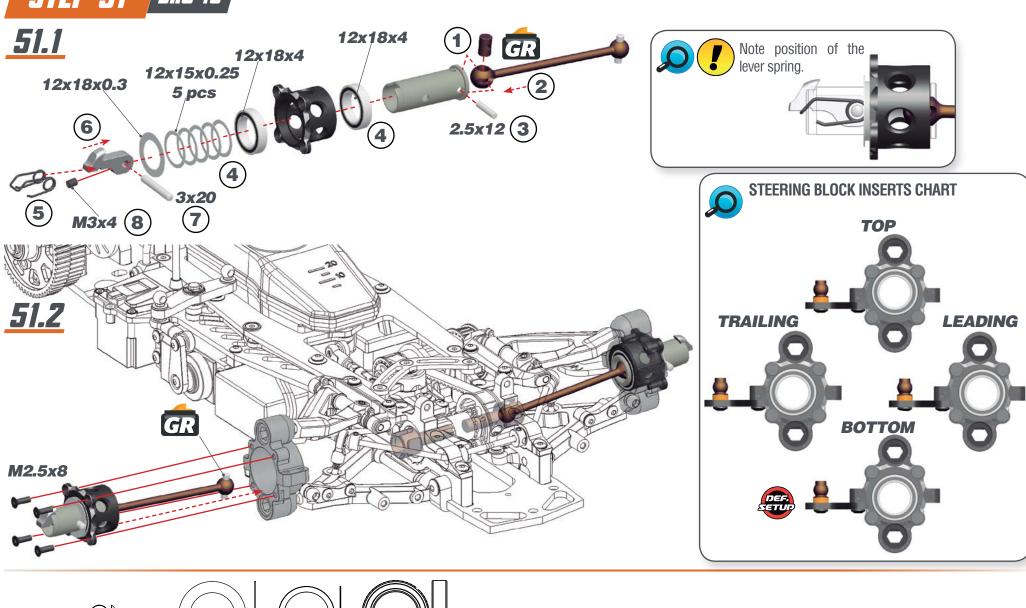








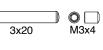














SHOCKS ASSEMBLY

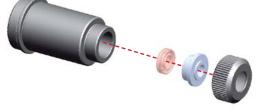


STEP 52 SHOCKS BAG

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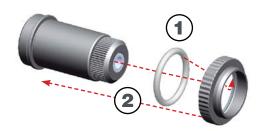
Use some silicone oil **52.2** during the assembly.



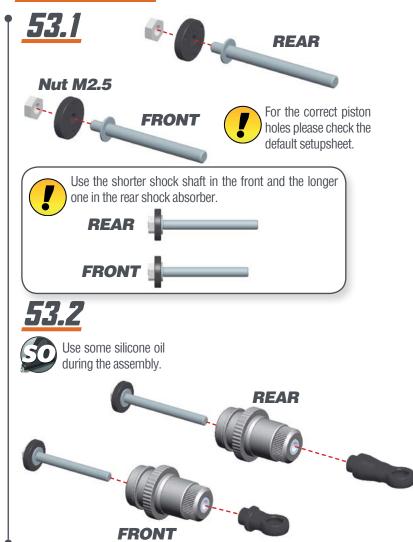




Insert the o-ring inside the spring collar.









STEP 55

STEP 54

54.1

Push the shock top and the membrane into the shock cap.



54.3

1-Bleed: push the shockrod all the way in slowly, to allow excessive oil to escape.

2- Close the shock cap completely.

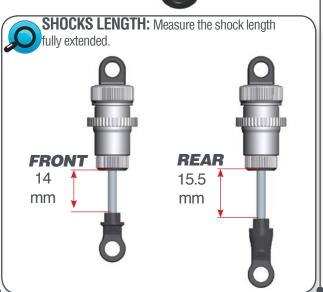


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1- Fill up with sillicone oil fully using the silicone oil supplied in the kit. For the correct cst value please check the default setupsheet.

- 2- Extend the shockrod fully
- 3- Move the shockrod slowly up and down to let ALL air bubbles escape.
- 4- Close top only 3/4.



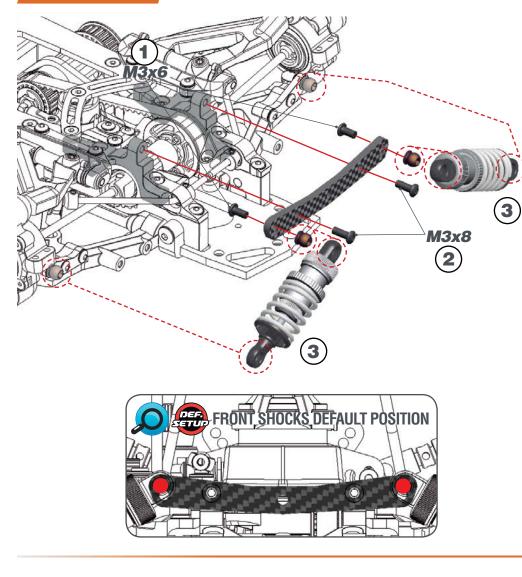


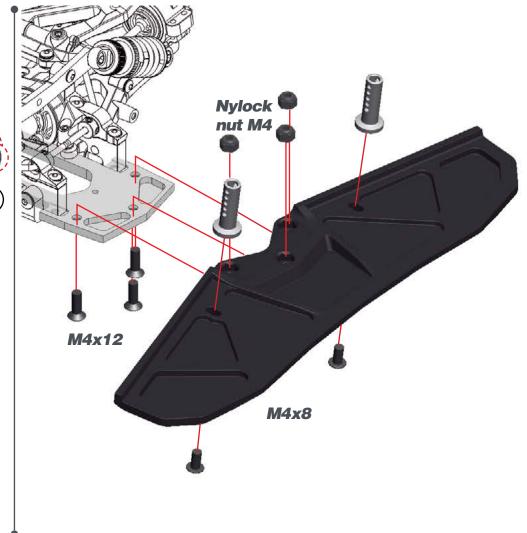
Assemble the spring and springcup (align correctly) to complete the shock.





STEP 56 BAG 14







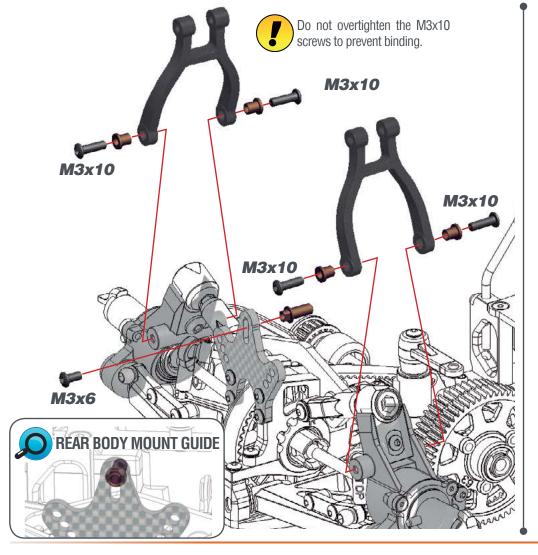


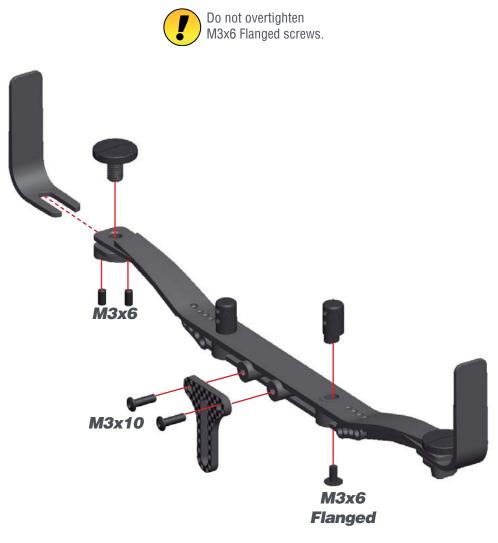














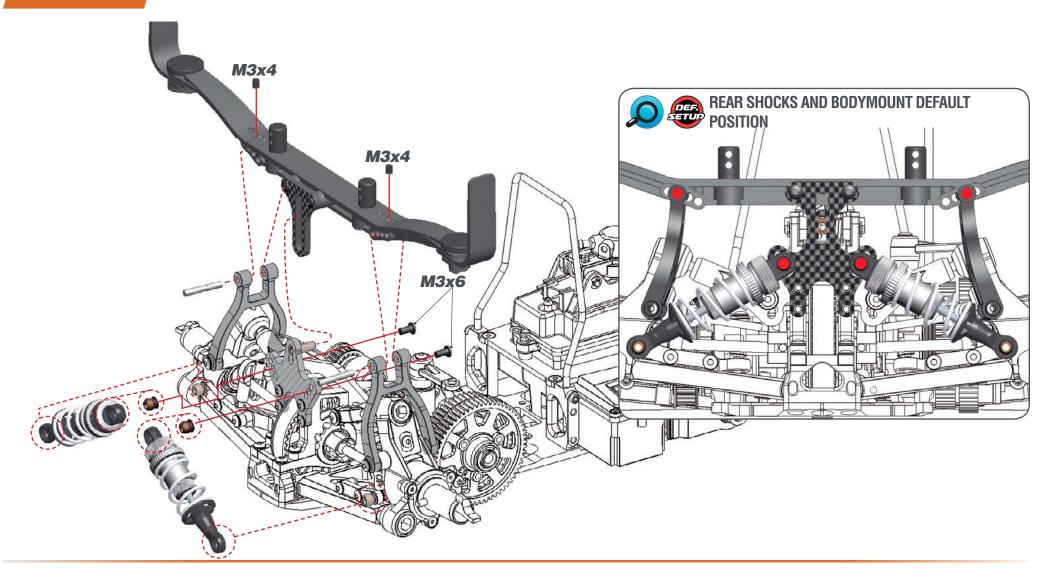
















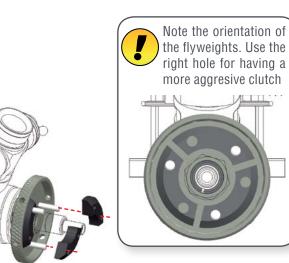


STEP 61 CLUTCH BAG



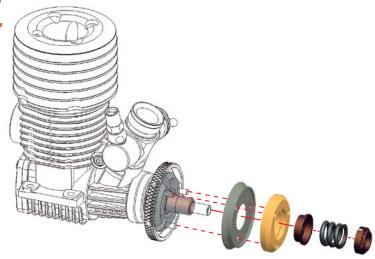
2- The holes in the side of the flywheel can be used to block the flywheel (with short allen tool) through the bottom of the chassis, when the engine/clutch is mounted in the car. It's easier to tighten or loosen the pre-load on the clutch spring that way.





STEP 62

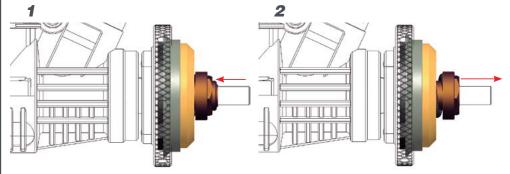
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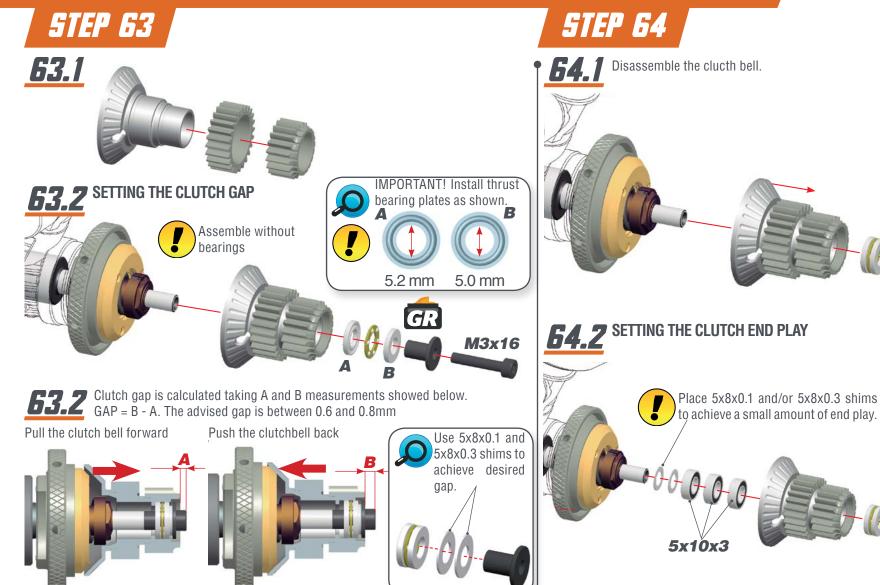
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- 2- Unscrew it one and a half turns.
- 3- Fine tune the setup of your clutch on the track according to your driving style, track and weather conditions.













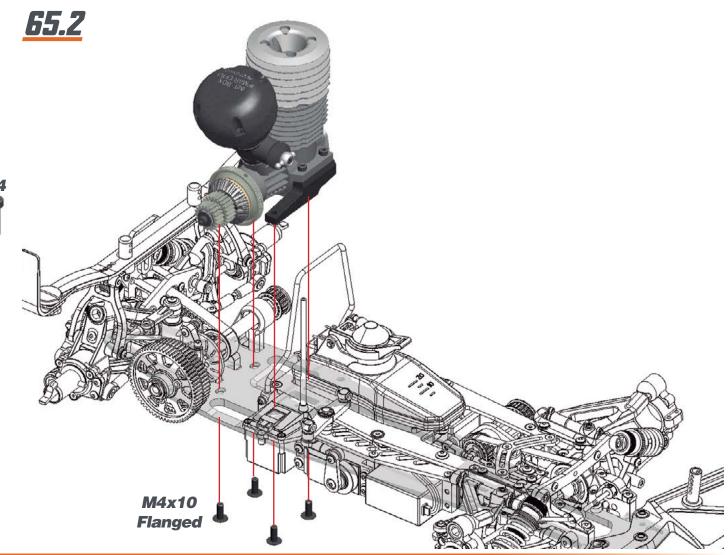




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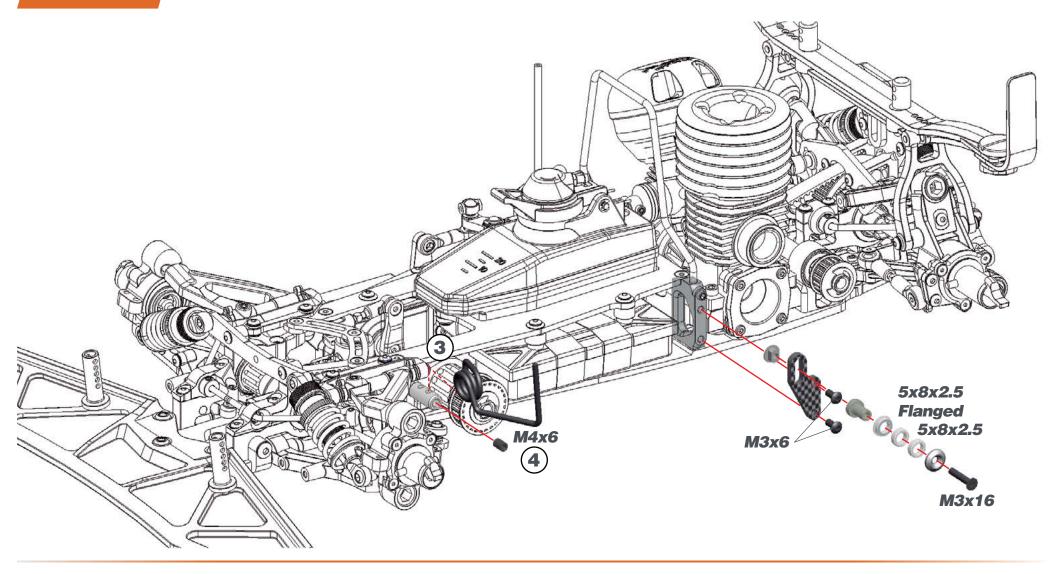












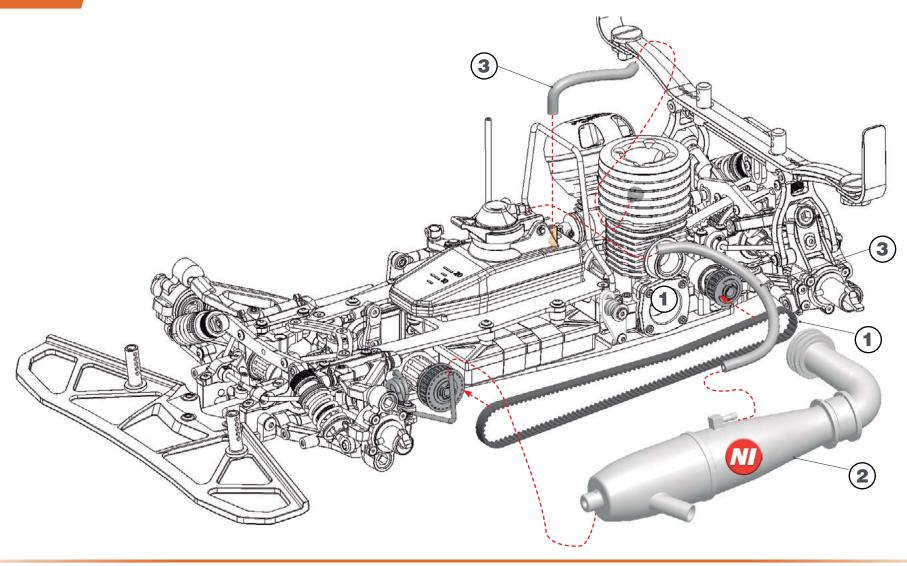








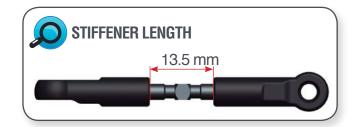


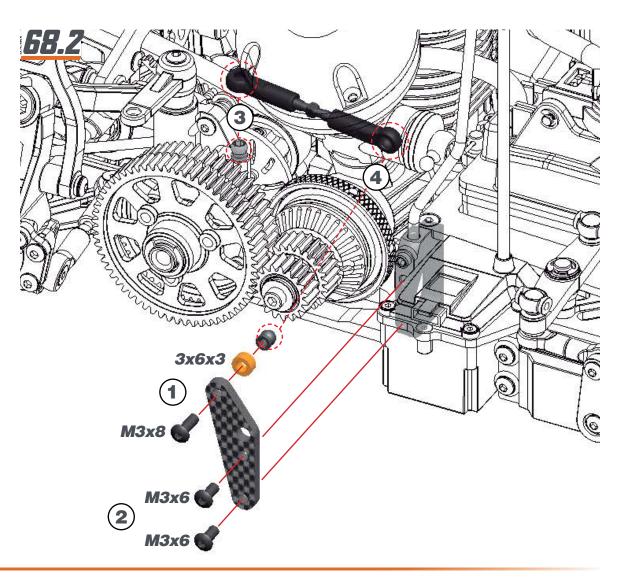




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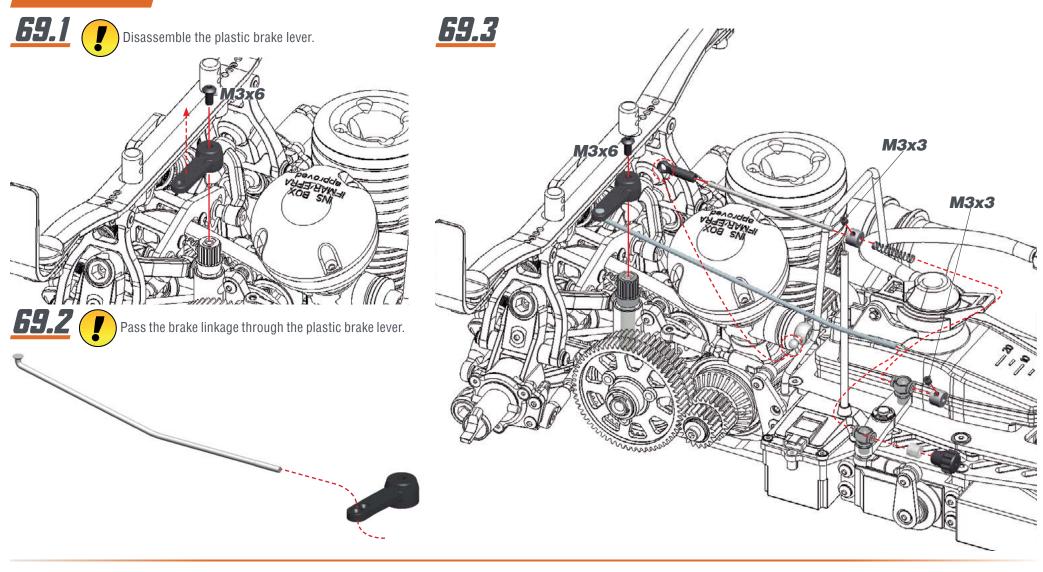






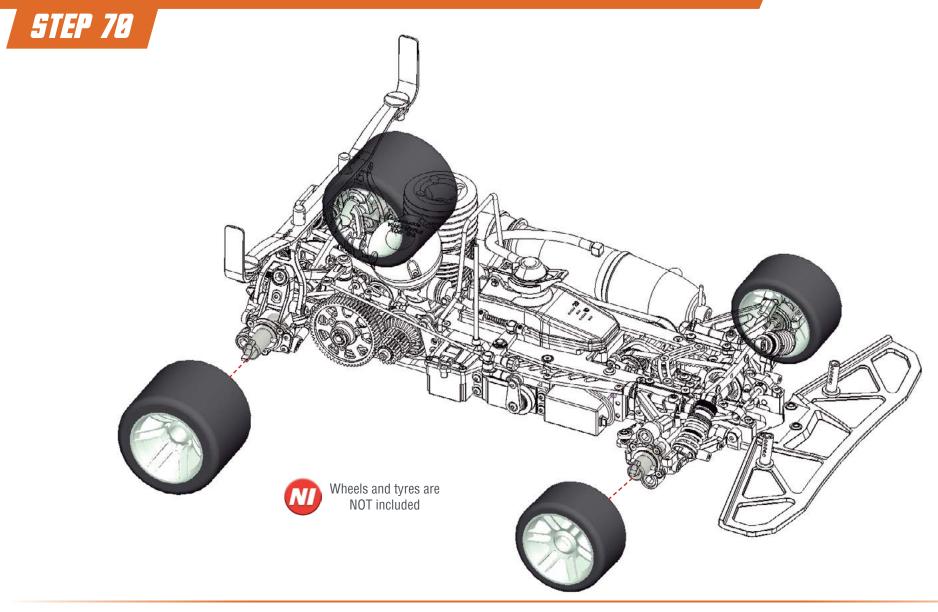
















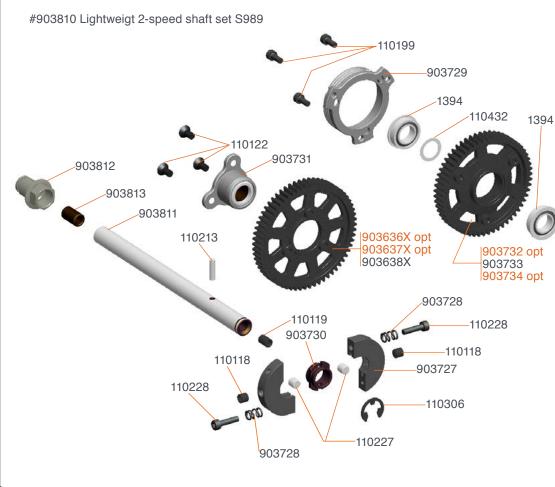
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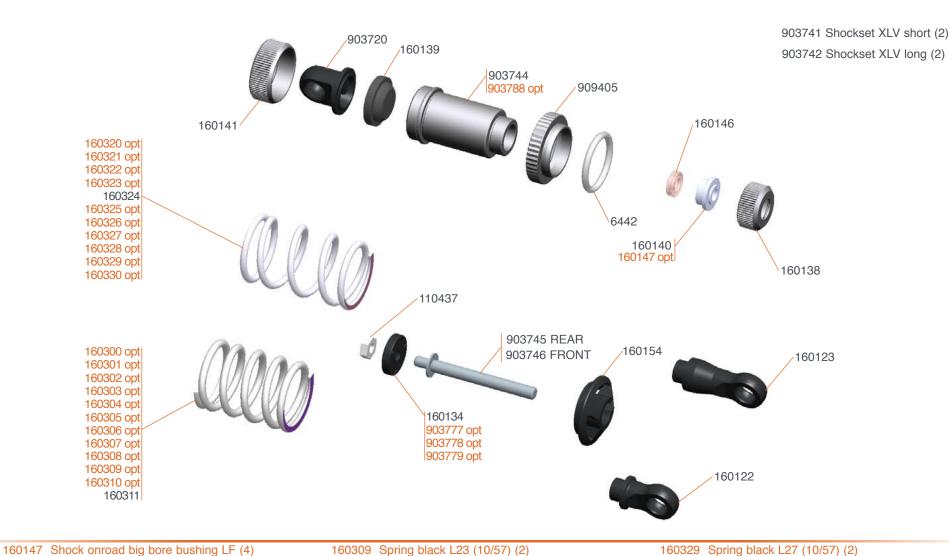


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903796 Centax spring XX-hard 903799 Centax gear-pinion alu 18T XLI Gen2 903801 Centax gear-pinion alu 20T XLI Gen2

SHOCKS EXPLODED NIEW







160300 Spring white L23 (2.3/13) (2) 160301 Spring yellow L23 (2.8/16) (2) 160302 Spring orange L23 (3.4/19.5) (2) 160303 Spring red L23 (4.1/23.5) (2) 160304 Spring pink L23 (4.0/28) (2) 160305 Spring blue L23 (5.8/33) (2) 160306 Spring purple L23 (6.8/39) (2) 160307 Spring green L23 (8/45.5) (2)

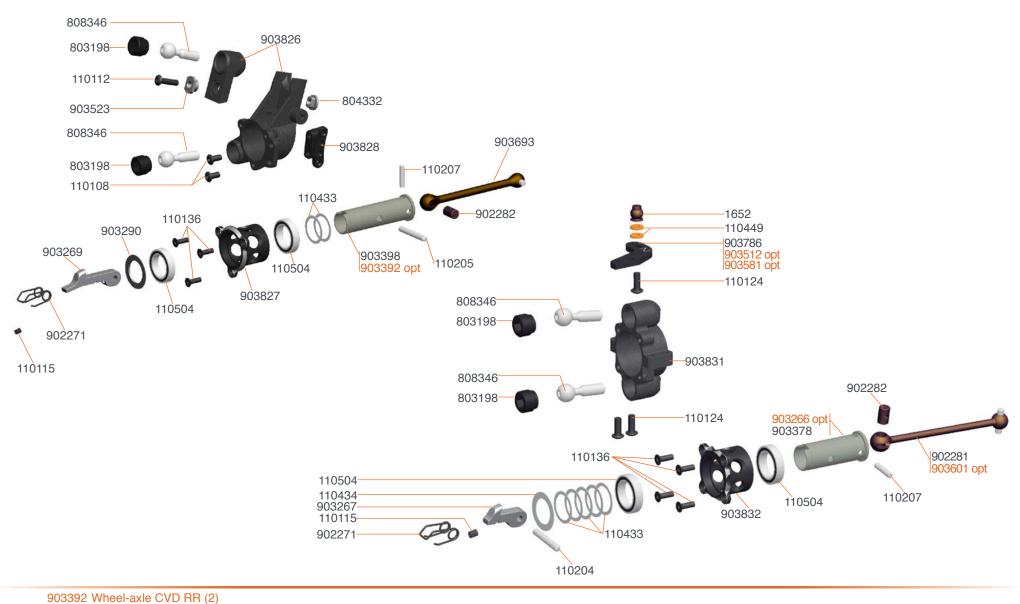
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160329 Spring black L27 (10/57) (2) 160330 Spring-set L27 (5x2) 903777 Shock piston XLV 1 hole (4) 903778 Shock piston XLV 2 hole (4) 903779 Shock piston XLV 3 hole (4) 903780 Heave demper set rear 903781 Heave demper set front 903788 Shockbody XLV short NiCoated (2)

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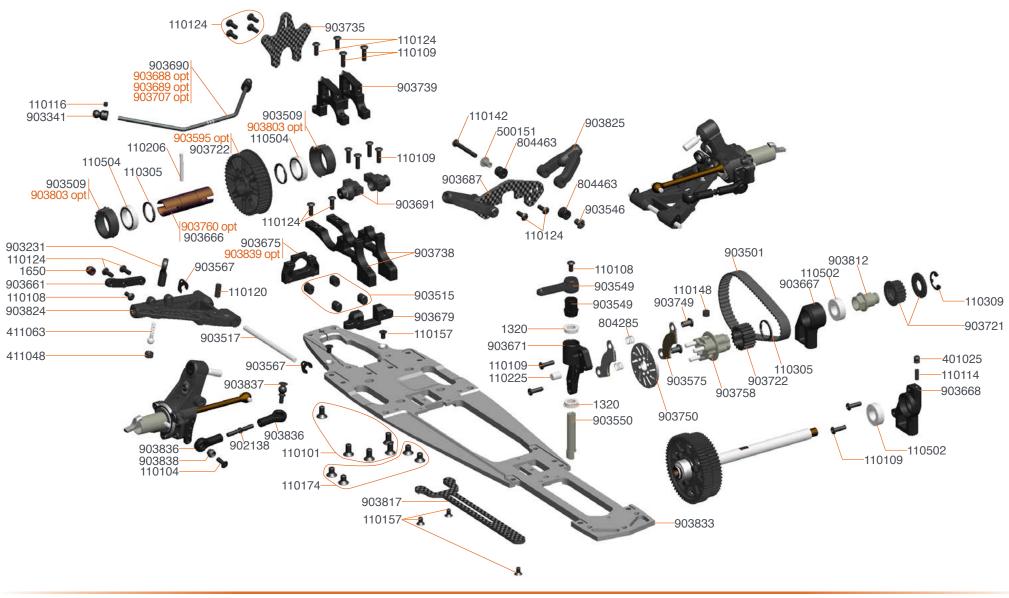
903266 Wheel-axle CVD RR (2) 903266 Wheel-axles cvd OS2 FR (2) 903512 Steeringblock lever alu (2)

903581 Steeringblock lever carbon (2)

903601 Driveshaft cvd FR alu (2)

REAR EXPLODED VIEW



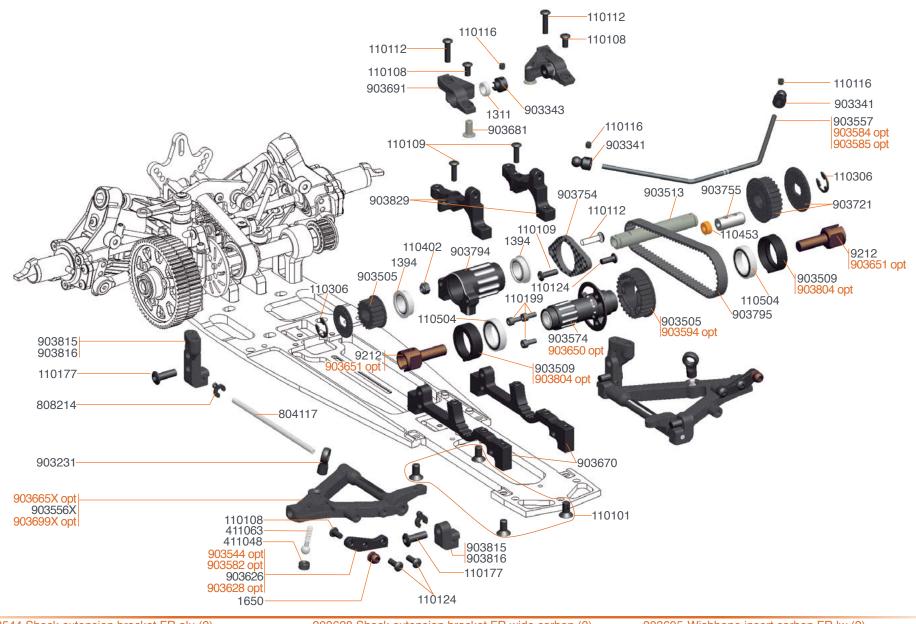




903688 Antiroll bar FR/RR soft S988 903689 Antiroll bar FR/RR medium S988 903707 Antiroll bar FR/RR X-hard S988 903759 Chassis weight 14gr brass S989 903803 Excenter set rr alu L+R S9XX 903839 Rearplate flex S990 903840 Weight bridge fr carbon S990 903841 Weight bottom brass 32gr S990

FRONT 1 EXPLODED VIEW







903544 Shock extension bracket FR alu (2) 903584 Antiroll bar FR soft S989

903585 Antiroll bar FR hard S989

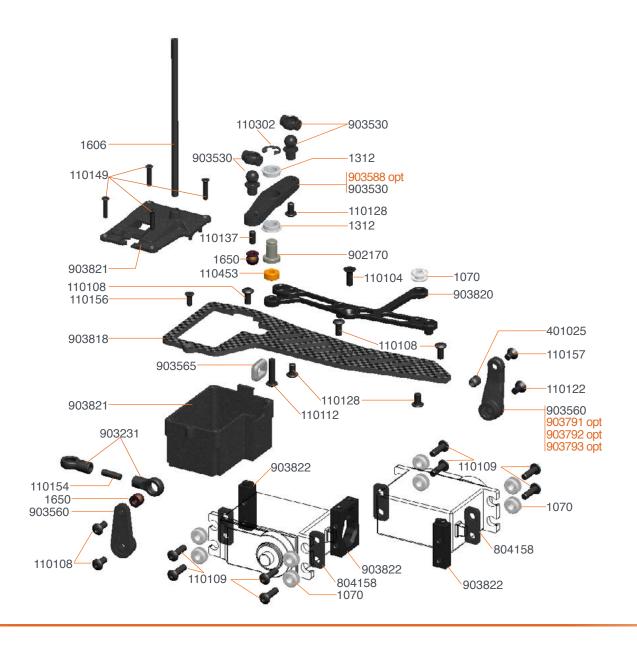
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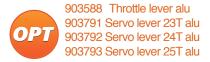
903628 Shock extension bracket FR wide carbon (2) 903650 Oneway front axle Hard anodized 903651 Inner driveshaft adapter light 903665X Wishbone FR Iw V2 L+R S988

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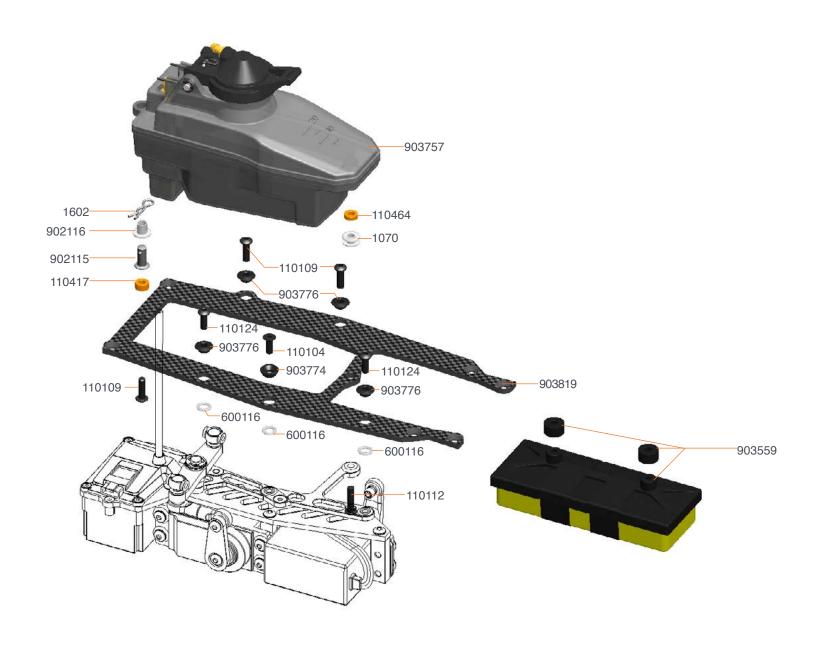




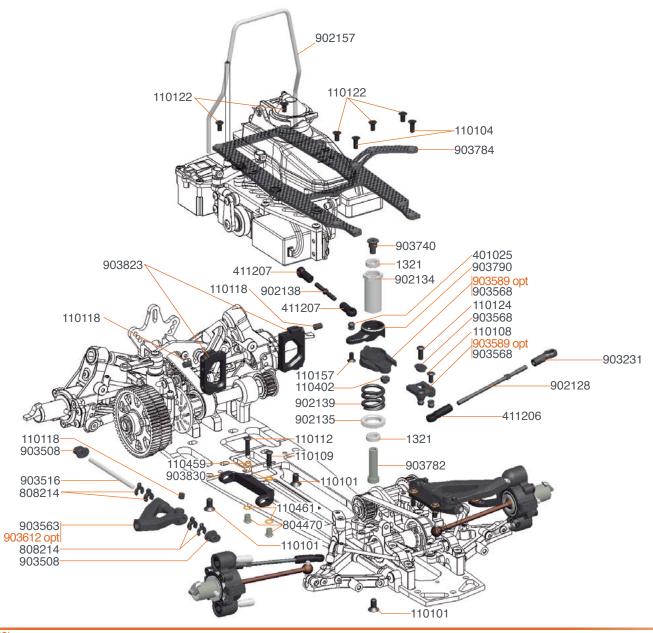








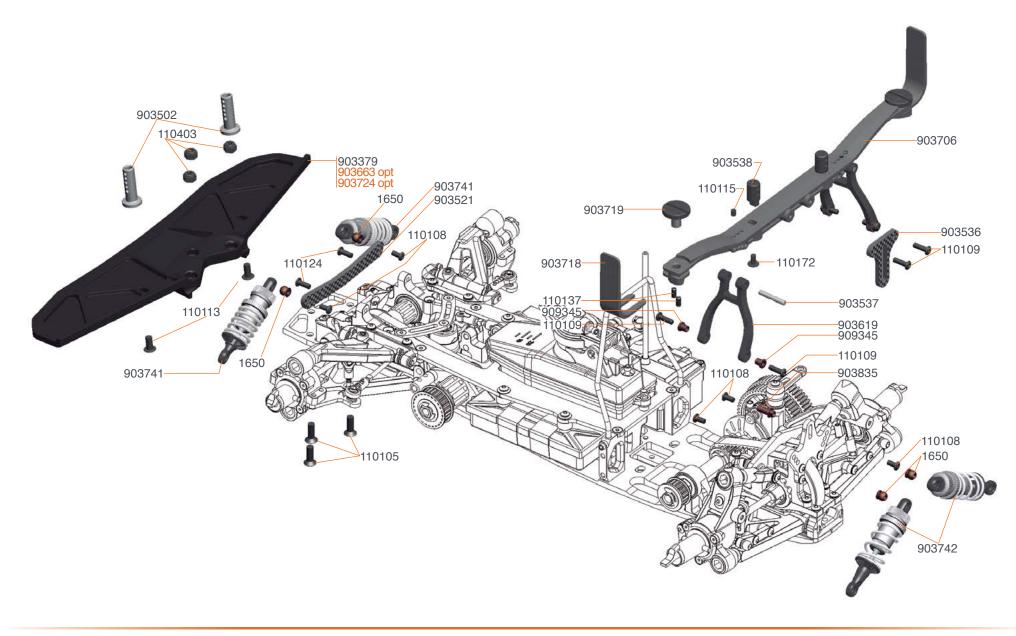






BUMPER AND BODYMOUNT EXPLODED VIEW

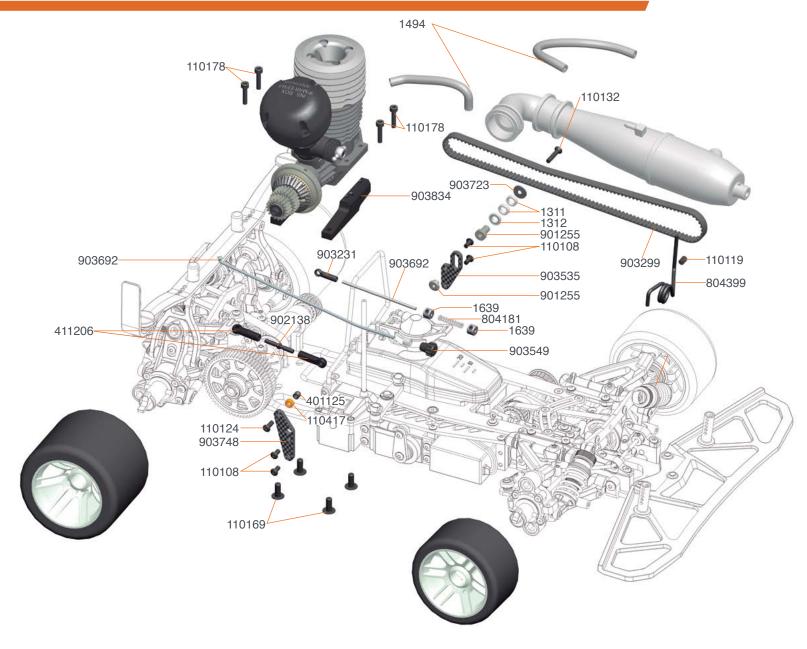












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