

Plano Model Products - #14935 GP35 Step Tread Set - Walthers Proto

The prototypical sized steps in this kit are designed to be used on Walthers Proto GP35 model. They are designed to be used on undecorated models or pre-decorated models. In the pre-decorated case, more care will be needed to minimize paint damage. The illustrations on the back of this sheet show how the parts should look after bending to shape and ready to install.

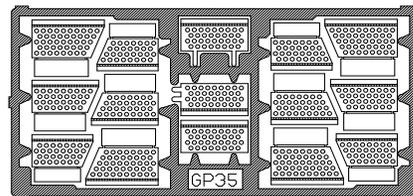
On an undecorated model, the top two original plastic steps insert into slots in the step wells. These slots will need to be filled. And while filling the slots, extra material will need to extend out to create lips to mount the new steps on. Or, install the plastic steps and then cut away the steps leaving a small lip to hold the new steps. In this case or a pre-decorated model, carefully remove plastic corner steps from each corner of the models sill/unit/frame. Leave a small lip on each edge to mount the new brass steps on.

Remove brass steps from fret, one at a time, and form to shape. Bend outer front edge of step down 90 degrees at half etch score line (score lines are the inside of all bends). The kick plate on the back of each step bends up 90 degrees in the opposite direction of the front lip. Position step in correct corner and position so it rests on the small lips left from the plastic step. Glue in place (liquid cement will work) when satisfied with placement. Continue until all corner steps are added.

For the rear cab step, the GP35 only has one step, but we included two. One has the two mounting pins like the plastic one and can be used on an undecorated model. The other one is just a step and can be used on the decorated models. A mounting lip will be needed for this second variation. Bend front lip down on chosen step and install on locations proved.

The front left step has two mounting pins to hold it in place. There are drill templates on the back of this sheet that can be used to accurately center it on the front surface of the battery box. Drill #78 holes to accept the new step. Bend front lip down 90 degrees, insert pins in drilled holes and glue in place.

This completes the adding of the new steps to your GP35 model. Touch up paint if needed. Thank you for using our product on your model. See your local hobby dealer for all of our photo etched details or visit us online.



^^^ Parts as packaged. Trim parts from fret as needed. The fret is the shaded area shown and is discarded when empty.

