

TORCAN SCALE MODEL CONTEST DEFINITIONS



Out Of Box (OOB)

The fundamental purpose of these categories is to encourage scale modelers, new to the hobby or returning to the hobby after a lengthy absence, to participate in competition at a more basic level.

Kits:

Any commercially available kit may be used. Only parts that are included in the kit may be used.

Finish:

All finishing methods are allowed including natural plastic, hand painting, spray can or airbrush. Weathering is permitted. Decals, other than those provided in the kit may be used. Markings, insignia and instrument panels or consoles may be painted instead of decaled.

Construction:

Modelers MAY:

- fill seams and gaps
- sand off rivets
- drill guns, gun troughs and exhausts
- thin down trailing edges, flaps, fenders, hatch covers and doors
- use only kit supplied seat belts or shoulder harnesses
- restore detail lost during sanding

Modelers MAY NOT:

- vacuform, manufacture or substitute parts with ones not supplied in the kit
- cut or separate canopies, control surfaces, hatches or doors
- add anything to the cockpit or interior unless specified in the kit instructions
- apply rigging, masts or antennae to the model unless depicted in kit instructions or box art

Documentation:

Out-Of-Box entries must have Kit Instruction Sheets attached to the Entry Form. Models entered without a kit instruction sheet will not be considered for OOB award.

Conversion

A model is classed as a conversion if it represents a definite change of variant or mark from the kit which forms the basis of the conversion. A conversion must involve structural change. Variations in numbering, marking or colour scheme do not constitute a conversion. All entries in conversion categories must include documentation of the changes made. Entries using commercially available 'conversion' kits including commercially available 3D Printed items will be placed in the appropriate non-conversion category.

Collections

A collection is defined as five or more models with a single theme. The connection between the models and the theme must be clear. A single previous contest winner may be included in a collection. If the collection contains models built by more than one entrant, the names of all entrants must appear on the entry form. Only one award will be given for a winning entry.

Scratch Built

A model is classed as scratch built if no more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the model consists of unaltered kit parts. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the model must be made from raw materials (ie plastic, metal, resin, paper or wood).

Modified Die Cast

A model is classed as modified die cast if it is a die cast automotive subject that has been significantly altered, modified or customized with added detail, revised paint finishes and replacement parts. Modifications may be composed of a variety of materials including metal, plastic, wood, resin or paper. Modified Die Cast Automotive models must be entered only in the Automotive Modified Die Cast category or the Automotive Scratch Built category. They are not eligible for entry in any other Automotive category.

The Modified Die Cast category is applicable only to Automotive subjects. Die Cast Aircraft, Military Vehicles, Ships, Fictional Vehicle subjects are ineligible. Cast metal Figures will be entered in standard Figure categories.

Dioramas & Vignettes

Defined as a depiction of an event, narrative or situation containing the following elements listed below. These elements will be judged in a collective manner.

- 1 or more figures
- 1 or more vehicles, aircraft or vessels
- landscape/seascape/environment

Experimental Aircraft - Category A16: *Experimental & Research Aircraft*

Aircraft used for experimental and research purposes that achieved flight (not necessarily successfully). Examples: Bell X-1, DH-108 Swallow, Langley Aerodrome, Wright Flyer etc.

AFV

This term means an 'Armoured Fighting Vehicle', wheeled or tracked, with armour plate or ballistic armour to protect its crew.

Ordnance

Entries eligible for these categories consist of Towed Artillery with or without a Prime Mover, Portees, Rocket Launching Structures and Missiles. AFV transporters, with or without load, are not eligible for this category.

A Missile is defined as a rocket or jet powered projectile with a guidance system and a warhead.

A Rocket is defined as a rocket or jet powered projectile with a warhead and no guidance system.