

RailKing 4-8-4 Imperial GS-4 Northern Steam Engine

OPERATOR'S MANUAL



Compatibility

This engine will operate on any traditional O-31 (Optional Long Drawbar is required for O-31 operation) Gauge track system, including M.T.H.'s RealTrax® or ScaleTrax™ or traditional tubular track. It is also compatible with most standard AC transformers. (See pages 45 and 46 for a complete list of compatible transformers, power packs, and wiring instructions.)





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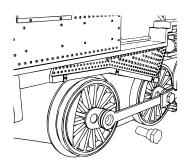
Traction Tire Replacement Instructions

Your locomotive is equipped with two neoprene rubber traction tires on the rear set of flanged drivers. While these tires are extremely durable, they may occasionally need to be replaced.

Remove the side rods (the rods that connect each drive wheel to the other) from the wheels in order to slip the new tire over the grooved drive wheel. These bolts can be loosened with a 5mm nutdriver.

Clean the groove using a cotton swab and denatured alcohol.

Make sure the old tire has been completely removed from the groove in the drive wheel, using a razor blade or small flathead screwdriver to pry away any remains.

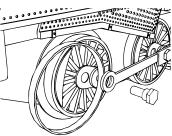


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Slip the new tire onto the wheel. You may find it useful to use two small flathead screwdrivers to stretch the tire over the wheel.

If you twist the tire while stretching it over the wheel, you will need to remove and reinstall the tire. Otherwise your engine will wobble while operating.

Make sure the tire is fully seated inside the groove. Use a razor blade to trim away any excess tire that doesn't seat itself inside the groove properly.



ProtoSmokeTM Unit Operation

This steam locomotive contains a smoke unit that outputs smoke through the smokestack on the boiler of the engine. The smoke unit is essentially a small heating element and wick that soaks up and then heats a mineral oil-based fluid that emits a harmless smoke. The smoke is then forced out of the stack by a small electric fan. With a few easy maintenance steps, you should enjoy trouble-free smoke unit operation for years.