

Princess Coronation Class & BR Red Livery 1957 onward

These notes are aimed at those modellers who wish to include one, or more, examples of this class of locomotive in BR red livery in their fleet. So far as can be established three locomotives always had LMS style lining with the red livery, and the other 13 locomotives had BR style lining initially, changing later to LMS style. These 13 appear twice in the list. Information is taken from "The Power of the Duchesses" and "Profile of the Duchesses", both by David Jenkinson, published by OPC.

Schedule for BR red livery

Date	Number	Name	Lining	Shed	Tender
12/57	46245	City of London	LMS (1)	1B (1)	1
5/58	46247	City of Liverpool	BR	1B	2
5/58	46256	Sir William A Stanier FRS	BR (2)	1B	4
6/58	46228	Duchess of Rutland	LMS	5A	1
6/58	46238	City of Carlisle	LMS	12B	1
6/58	46248	City of Leeds	BR	5A	1
7/58	46236	City of Bradford	BR	12B	1
7/58	46240	City of Coventry	BR	1B	1
8/58	46225	Duchess of Gloucester	BR	1B	1
9/58	46229	Duchess of Hamilton	BR	1B	1
9/58	46254	City of Stoke-on-Trent	BR	5A	3
10/58	46244	King George V1	BR	12B	1
10/58	46246	City of Manchester	BR (3)	5A	1
11/58	46226	Duchess of Norfolk	BR	12B	1
11/58	46243	City of Lancaster	BR	5A	1
11/58	46251	City of Nottingham	BR	5A	1
1959	46247	City of Liverpool	LMS	1B	2 (4)
9/59	46243	City of Lancaster	LMS	5A	1
9/59 (5)	46256	Sir William A Stanier FRS	LMS (5)	12B (5)	4
11/59	46236	City of Bradford	LMS	12B	1
1960	46251	City of Nottingham	LMS	5A	1
5/60	46246	City of Manchester	LMS	1B	1 (4)
5/60	46254	City of Stoke-on-Trent	LMS	5A	3
8/60	46244	King George V1	LMS	12B	1
7/61	46226	Duchess of Norfolk	LMS	12B	1
10/61	46225	Duchess of Gloucester	LMS	12B	1
1962	46229	Duchess of Hamilton	LMS	5A	1
1962 (6)	46248	City of Leeds	LMS (6)	5A	1
4/62	46240	City of Coventry	LMS	1B	1

Notes

- (1) 46245 Initially no AWS, 5A shedplate c.1964, "Power" plate 177 & "Profile" plate 139.
- (2) 46256 Electric headlamps, until c.1960? "Profile" plates 195 & 196.
- (3) 46246 "De-streamlined" smokebox with this livery.
- (4) 46246) Ran with stated tender types until 1961, when tenders were exchanged.
46247) Power" plates 76, 128 & 141.
- (5) 46256 Date could be Summer 1958, "Profile" plate 196. Shed 1B, 1960 and then 5A 1960.
- (6) 46248 Date could be earlier, no AWS c.1960/1, "Power" plate 142 & "Profile" plate 152.

The information has been given in date order, although for some locomotives only the relevant year is known. Note that all locomotives not listed were in BR green throughout this period. This should allow modellers to select a date/period and determine the livery for all members of the class at that time. It is thought that the new BR tender emblem, introduced in 1956, was not applied by Crewe works until c.8/57. Dates given are based on "locomotives observed in traffic" although in a few instances earlier dated photographs are also quoted. Information is included on shed allocations and tender types at the quoted dates. For more information on tender types (1-4) see also "Stanier Coronation tender allocations".

The development of the class is well documented. In the later BR steam era (1955 onward), AWS and Smith-Stone speedometers were added. Photographic evidence, 'Profile' plate 89 and other books, suggest that speedometers were fitted from c. 1957, and before the the general introduction of AWS from c. 1959. Testing of ATC/AWS on the ECML restarted just 2 days after the Harrow & Wealdstone accident of October 1952. Comparative dates for A4's are AWS fitted 10/58 to 12/60. It seems probable that the timescale on the WCML was similar.