

HOW TO No. 1 --- How Much Will It Cost Me

One of the first things that is asked is "How much will it cost me!" Bob Burr of FTD Models in Coventry has kindly let us post his guide sheet on our site. I have put Bob's details at the bottom of this page.

A rough price guide to getting a TC running.

Second hand car £70 to £150.

New motor/Speedo combo £80

Steering servo £20 to £40, don't go for a basic £9 servo it's not up to the job.

7.4v hard cased Lipo, £30 to £60, IP do a great 5000 for £35.

Charger £59 will buy you a great charger, no need to spend any more.

Radio RX combo, expect to pay about £80 to £120 for a reasonable set, the cheep £35 systems do not have the adjustments and you will be chucking it away in a few months. A new body and Tin of paint £26, hopefully you got one with the car.

Forget new tyres, most of us have good second hand sets we will give you or charge £5 to £10 for at most.

B&Q will sort you a tool box for £20 at most and allow £30 for some decent Allen drivers, 1000% do not use cheap ones, you will just round off the screws in the chassis and be in trouble.

Extras like tyre warmers, additive etc are months down the line and just a waste of money to start with.

That's about it, this should let you work out a budget of what it's going to cost to get going, and going with good stuff, our top guys would still win with the stuff I have listed so it's not rubbish cheap stuff.

On cars I would look for Xray, Yokomo or Schumacher, the VBC or Team powers cars also make good cars to get going with.

Xray T4 14 or 15 probably top of the wish list



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