

# Tinplate IVES 3245R Electric Locomotive

OPERATOR'S MANUAL (TRADITIONAL)

## Compatibility

This engine will operate on any traditional Standard Gauge tubular track system, including M.T.H.'s tubular track. It is also compatible with most standard AC transformers. (See page 7 for a complete list of compatible transformers and wiring instructions.)

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### CAUTION: ELECTRICALLY OPERATED PRODUCT:

Not recommended for children under 10 years of age. M.T.H. recommends adult supervision with children ages 10 - 16. As with all electric products, precautions should be observed during handling and use to reduce the risk of electric shock.

WARNING: When using electrical products, basic safety precautions should be observed, including the following: Read this manual thoroughly before using this device.

- M.T.H. recommends that all users and persons supervising use examine the hobby transformer and other electronic equipment
  periodically for conditions that may result in the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons, such as damage to the primary
  cord, plug blades, housing, output jacks or other parts. In the event such conditions exist, the train set should not be used until
  properly repaired.
- Do not operate your layout unattended. Obstructed accessories or stalled trains may overheat, resulting in damage to your layout.
- This train set is intended for indoor use. Do not use if water is present. Serious injury or fatality may result.
- Do not operate the hobby transformer with damaged cord, plug, switches, buttons or case.

This product may be protected by one or more of the following patents: 6,019,289; 6,280,278; 6,281,606; 6,291,263; 6,457,681; 6,491,263; 6,604,641; 6,619,594; 6,624,537; 6,655,640.

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## Set Up Checklist

- Lubricate the locomotive
- Apply power to run as described in the Basic Operating Section of this manual.

### Lubrication

You should lubricate the engine to prevent it from squeaking. Use light household oil and follow the lubrication points marked "L" in Fig. 1. Do not over-oil. Use only a drop or two on each pivot point.



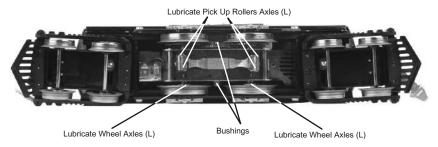


Figure 1. Lubrication Points on the Locomotive

## Couplers

The couplers on your Ives 3245 R Electric Locomotive are faithful reproductions of the couplers that were originally supplied with the Ives 3245R. They are designed to couple with Ives rolling stock.

If you wish to use this engine to pull a train of 200 series cars, a set of Latch Style couplers are packed in the styrofoam box for your convenience.

To install the 200 series style latch couplers simply remove the screw in the center of the pilot, pull out the Ives coupler and replace it with the latch style coupler and replace the screw.

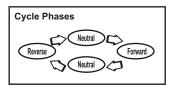
# **Basic Operation**

The Throttle knob controls how fast your train will travel.

Turn the throttle knob up 1/2-way, until the engine lights shine bright.

Put the engine into motion by pressing the Direction button on your transformer once. (hold it for approximately 1 second)

If the engine does not begin to move as soon as you firmly press the Direction button, you may not have sent enough voltage to the track to make the train move. Turn the throttle up a bit higher until the train begins to move.



### Maintenance

## Lubricating and Greasing Instructions

The engine should be well oiled and greased in order to run properly.

Regularly lubricate all axles and pickup rollers to prevent squeaking. Use light household oil, such as that found in M.T.H.'s maintenance kit. Do not over oil. Use only a drop or two on each pivot point.



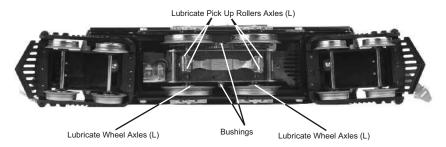


Figure 2

The locomotive's internal gearing was greased at the factory and should not need additional grease. However, it will be necessary to lubricate the idler gears located next to the drive wheels with grease every 25 hours of operation. Follow the greasing points illustrated in Figure 3.

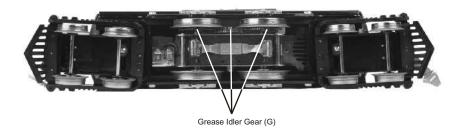


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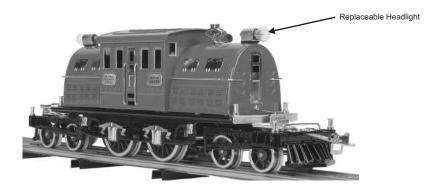
## Cleaning The Wheels, Tires, and Track

Periodically check the locomotive wheels and pickups for dirt and buildup, which can cause poor electrical contact and traction. Wheels can be cleaned using denatured (not rubbing) alcohol applied with a cotton swab.

To clean the track, use RailKing Track Cleaning Fluid and a clean rag or denatured (not rubbing) alcohol. Unplug the transformer and wipe the rails of the track, turning the rag frequently to ensure that you are using clean cloth on the rails. Thereafter, keep an eye on the track and clean it when it gets dirty to ensure good electrical contact and to lengthen the life of the tires.

## Headlight Replacement Instructions

The locomotive's headlights are controlled by a constant voltage circuit in the engine. The headlight is easy to remove and replace when it burns out. The bulb(s) simply unscrew from their sockets. Replacement bulbs are available directly from the M.T.H. Parts Department.



## Transformer Compatibility and Wiring Chart

Proto-Sound 2.0 is designed to work with most standard AC transformers. The chart below lists the many compatible transformers. Note the chart details how the terminals on these transformers should be attached to your layout.

Transformer Model	Center Rail	Outside Rail	Min/Max. Voltage	Power Rating	Transformer Type
MTH Z-500	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-18v	50-Watt	Electronic
MTH Z-750	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-21v	75-Watt	Electronic
MTH Z-1000	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-14v 0-18v	80-Watt 100-Watt	Electronic
MTH Z-4000	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-22v	390-Watt	Electronic
Lionel 1032	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1032M	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1033	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1043	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1043M	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1044	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1053	U	Α	8-17v	60-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1063	U	Α	8-17v	60-Watt	Standard
All-Trol	Left Terminal	Right Terminal	0-24v	300-Watt	Electronic
Dallee Hostler	Left Terminal	Right Terminal			Electronic
Lionel LW	Α	U	8-18v	75-Watt	Standard
Lionel KW	A or B	U	6-20v	190-Watt	Standard
Lionel MW	Outside Track Terminal	Inside Track Terminal	5-16v	50V.A.	Electronic
Lionel RS-1	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-18v	50V.A.	Electronic
Lionel RW	U	Α	9-19v	110-Watt	Standard
Lionel SW	U	Α	Unknown	130-Watt	Standard
Lionel TW	U	Α	8-18v	175-Watt	Standard
Lionel ZW	A,B,C or D	U	8-20v	275-Watt	Standard
Lionel Post-War Celebration Series ZW	A,B,C or D	Common	0-20v	135/190 Watt	Electronic

## Service & Warranty Information

### How to Get Service Under the Terms of the Limited One-Year Warranty

When you suspect an item is defective, please check the operator's manual for standard operation and trouble-shooting techniques that may correct the problem. Additional information may be found on the M.T.H. Website. Should you still require service, follow the instructions below to obtain warranty service.

First, e-mail, write, call or fax a M.T.H. Authorized Service Center (ASC) in your area to obtain Repair Authorization. You can find the list of ASCs on the M.T.H. Website, www.mth-railkingcom. Authorized Service Centers are required to make warranty repairs on items sold *only* from that store; all other repairs mayor may not be done at the store's own discretion. If you did not purchase the item directly from the ASC, you will need to select a National Authorized Service Center (NASC). These centers are compensated by M.T.H. to perform warranty service for any customer whose repair qualifies for warranty service. A list of NASC retailers can be located on the M.T.H. Website or by calling 1-888-640-3700. Should the warranty no longer apply, you may choose either an ASC or NASC retailer to service your M.T.H. Product. A reasonable service fee will be charged.

CAUTION: Make sure the product is packed in its original factory packaging including its foam and plastic wrapping material to prevent damage to the merchandise. There is no need to return the entire set if only one of the components is in need of repair unless otherwise instructed by the Service Center. The shipment must be prepaid and we recommend that it be insured. A cover letter including your name, address, daytime phone number, e-mail address (if available), Return Authorization number (if required by the service center, a copy of your sales receipt and a full description of the problem must be included to facilitate the repairs. Please include the description regardless of whether you discussed the problem with a service technician when contacting the Service Center for your Return Authorization.

Please make sure you have followed the instructions carefully before returning any merchandise for service. Authorized M.T.H. Service Centers are independently owned and operated and are not agents or representatives of M.T.H. Electric Trains. M.T.H. assumes no responsibility financial or otherwise, for material left in their possession, or work done, by privately owned M.T.H. Authorized Service Centers.

If you need assistance at any time email MTH Service at <a href="mailto:service@mth-railking.com">service@mth-railking.com</a>, or call 410 381-2580.

### Limited One-Year Warranty

All M.T.H. products purchased from an Authorized M.T.H. Train Merchant are covered by this warranty.

See our website at <a href="www.mth-railking.com">www.mth-railking.com</a> or call 1-888-640-3700 to identify an Authorized M.T.H. Train Merchant near you.

M.T.H. products are warrantied for one year from the date of purchase against defects in material or workmanship, excluding wear items such as light bulbs, pick-up rollers, batteries, smoke unit wicks, and traction tires. We will repair or replace (at our option) the defective part without charge for the parts or labor, if the item is returned to an M.T.H. Authorized Service Center (ASC) or M.T.H. National Authorized Service Center (NASC) within one year of the original date of purchase. This warranty does not cover damages caused by improper care, handling, or use. Transportation costs incurred by the customer are not covered under this warranty.

Items sent for repair must be accompanied by a return authorization number, a description of the problem, and a copy of the original sales receipt from an Authorized M.T.H. Train Merchant, which gives the date of purchase. If you are sending this product to an Authorized Service Center, contact that Center for their return authorization.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights that vary from state to state. Specific questions regarding the warranty may be forwarded to M.T.H. Directly.

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