

N Scale Vehicle Association

“For the modeler and collector of 1:160 scale vehicles and equipment”

Easy ‘N’ Inexpensive
ways to enhance the
Con-Cor “Kenworth W900” semi-tractors

Steps for enhancing the “Kenworth W900” semi-tractor

Use silver paint or paint pen for headlights

Blacken grill openings with black marker, remove excess with toothpick

Replace wheels and axles with Atlas LNT-9000 wheels or other appropriate wheels

Make new (longer) rear axles from 0.039 inch music wire

Paint wheels with acrylic paint

Spray tires and wheels with flat finish

Blacken top of exhaust pipes with marker

Mud flaps from Evergreen styrene strips (0.03 X 0.03 and 0.01 X 0.156)

Use pin head and 1/16 inch plastic rod or aluminum tubing for air cleaners

Decal license plates (optional)

Shorten or lengthen chassis, remove sleeper to make a day cab (optional)

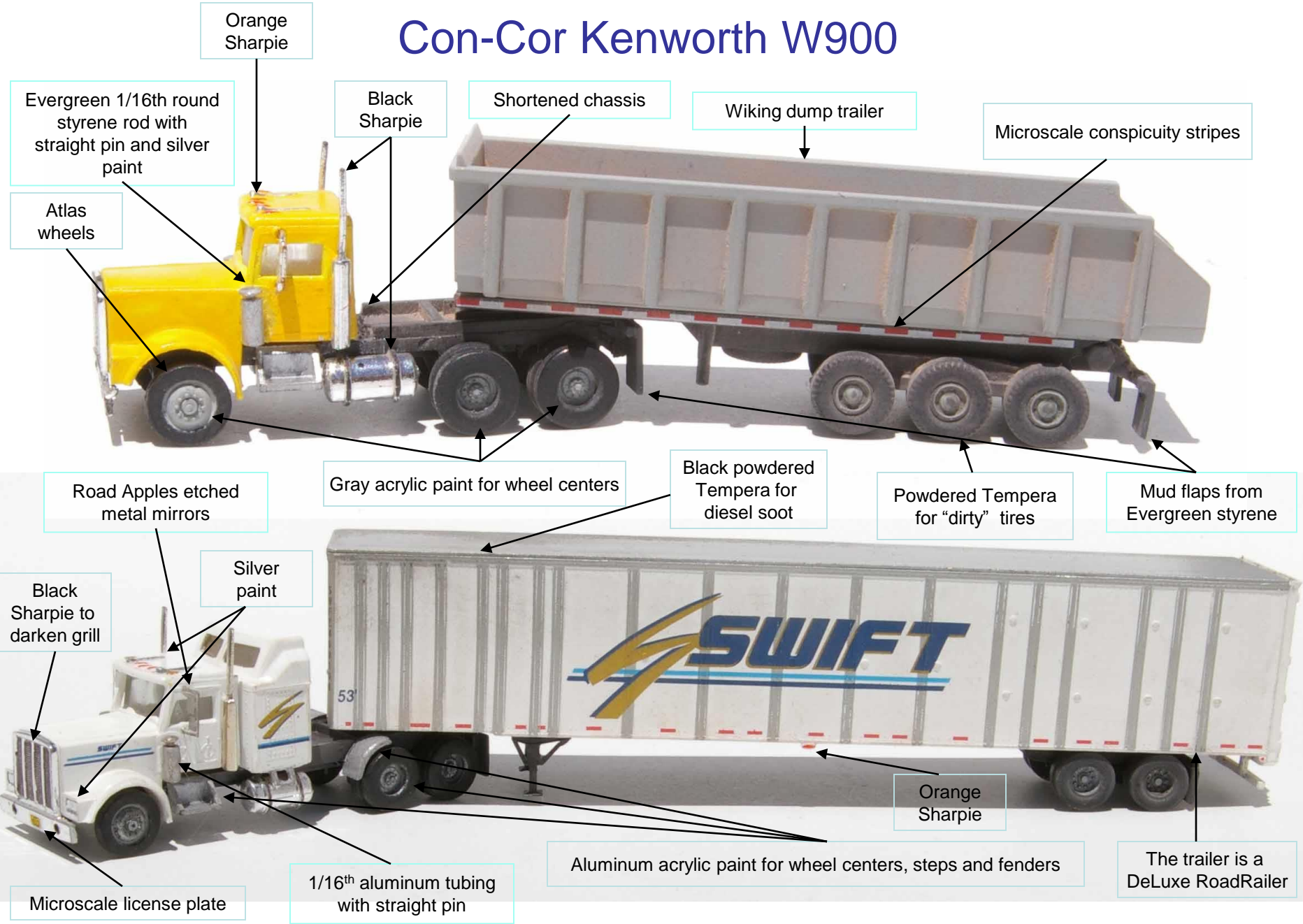
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Steps for enhancing the “Kenworth W900” semi-tractor (continued)

Scratch build or kitbash new beds (optional)

Selective weathering with powdered Tempera paints

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Dump trucks with Wiking
dump beds and grain truck
with extended chassis and
grain bed scratch built from
Evergreen scribed siding
and strips



Challenges

The tooling for these trucks is showing its age (more than 25 years old) but they are plentiful and relatively inexpensive to acquire. While the thought of sacrificing the wheels from a perfectly good model may not be very appealing, the idea here is to add more variety to your truck fleet without having the toy-like stock Con-Cor wheels distracting from your efforts.

Also, the Con-Cor “Kenworth” has characteristics of both Kenworth and Peterbilt trucks, as well as a few features that appear on neither.