

**Instruction Manual for the Team Associated TC4** 

### 30100 - TC4 Team Kit

- 1. Blue anodized aluminum threaded shock bodies.
- 2. Treaded tires on lightweight AE Dish racing wheels.
- 3. Blue anodized heavy duty MIP CVD's.
- 4. Full rubber sealed ball bearings.
- 5. Machined aluminum motor mount with integrated heatsink.
- 6. Optimized steering rack/bellcrank system.

# 30110 - TC4 RTR

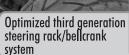
- 1. VCS Macro shock.
- 2. Treaded tires on chrome 8-spoke custom wheels.
- 3. Composite CVD's.
- 4. Full rubber sealed ball bearings.
- 5. Machined aluminum motor mount with integrated heatsink.
- 6. Optimized steering rack/bellcrank system.
- 7. Painted and mounted body.



TC4 - Key Features

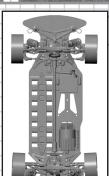


Heavy duty MIP CVD's





Heavy duty input cups and driveshaft



# **TC4 Chassis Specs**

Length: 373 mm Width: 190 mm

Wheelbase: 259 mm

Internal Gear Ratio: 2.50:1

Weight: 1375 g (as shown)

Drivetrain: Shaft drive

Adjustable aluminum motor mount with integrated heatsink





Adjustable anti-squat/ anti-dive shim system



1:10 Scale 4WD Electric
Touring Car Kit





# Thank you for selecting this Team Associated model.

Team Associated's revolutionary TC3 set the benckmark for touring car performance and quickly became the choice of winning racers all over the world. The TC3's race-proven shaft-drive design captured many national & international championships in the past few years, and has spawned numerous imitations. Now Team Associated is proud to introduce the next generation RC10TC4 Touring Car...the refinement of the proven TC3 racing platform, optimized with more precise tuning features, better balance, and greater durability.

Team Associated wants you to enjoy the process of building, driving and maintaining your new model. If you come across any problems or need help with the assembly of your model, give us a call and we will do our very best to help you.

# The Manual

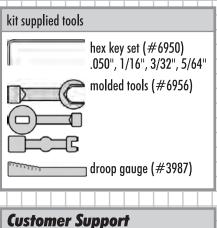
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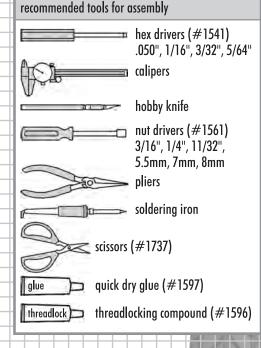
Open the bags in order, according to each step. Some bags contain a large amount of small parts. We recommend using a small container to keep the parts together.

# **Supplement Sheets**

We are constantly developing new parts to improve our kits. These changes, if any, will be noted on supplementary sheets located in the appropriate parts bag. Check each bag for these sheets before you start to build.





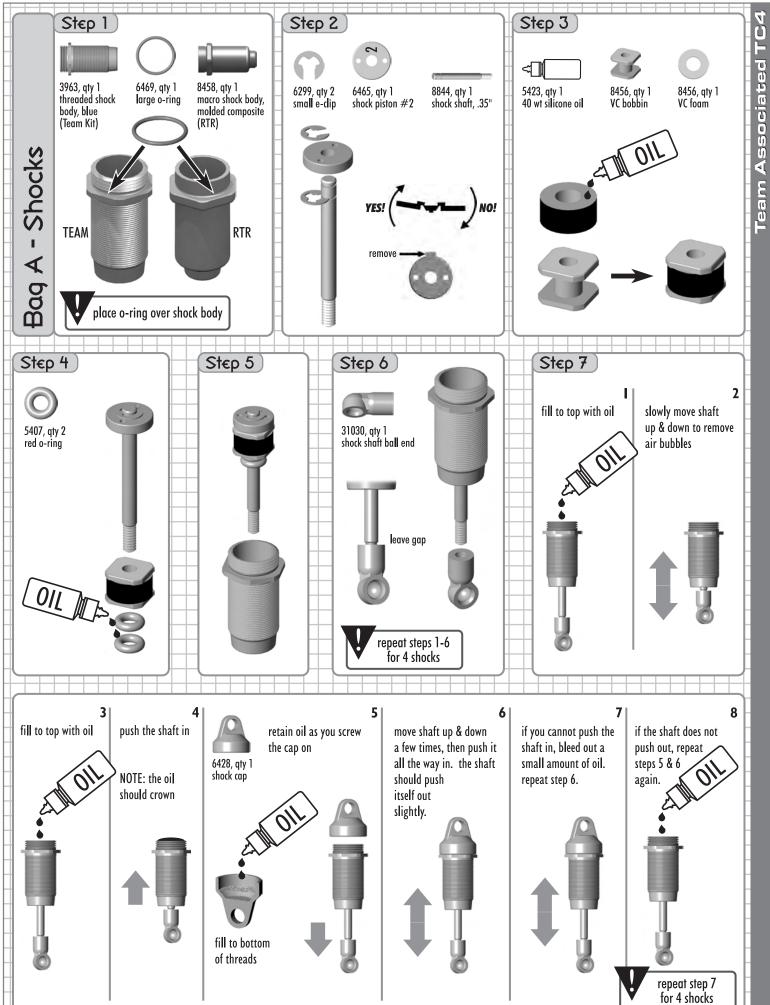


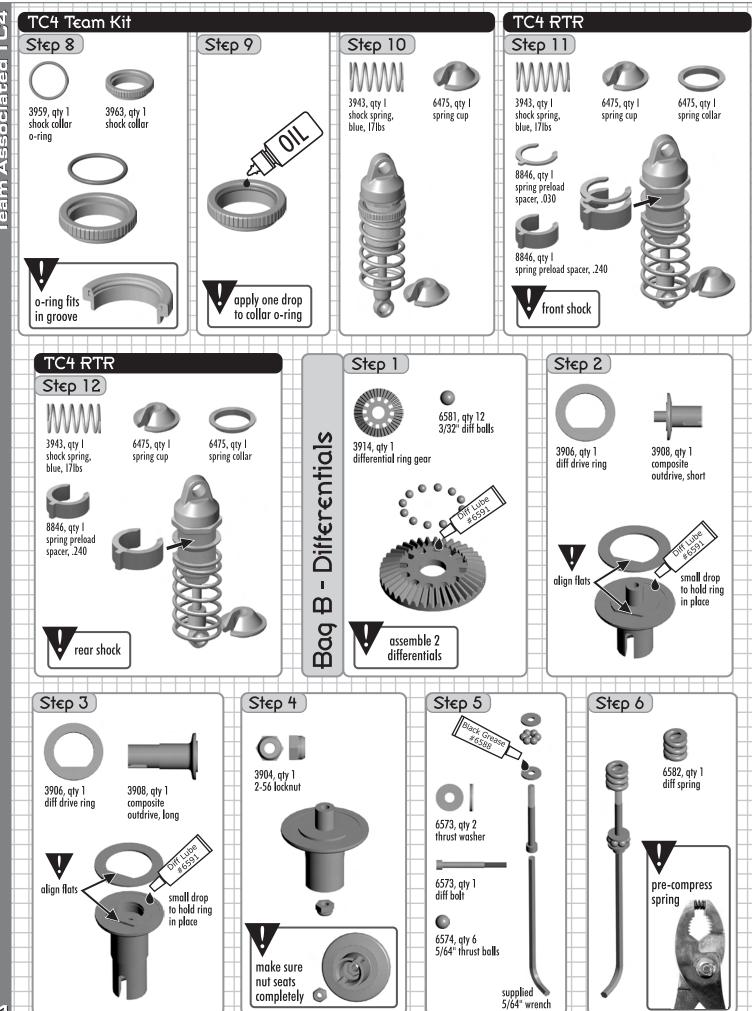
items needed to complete your vehicle

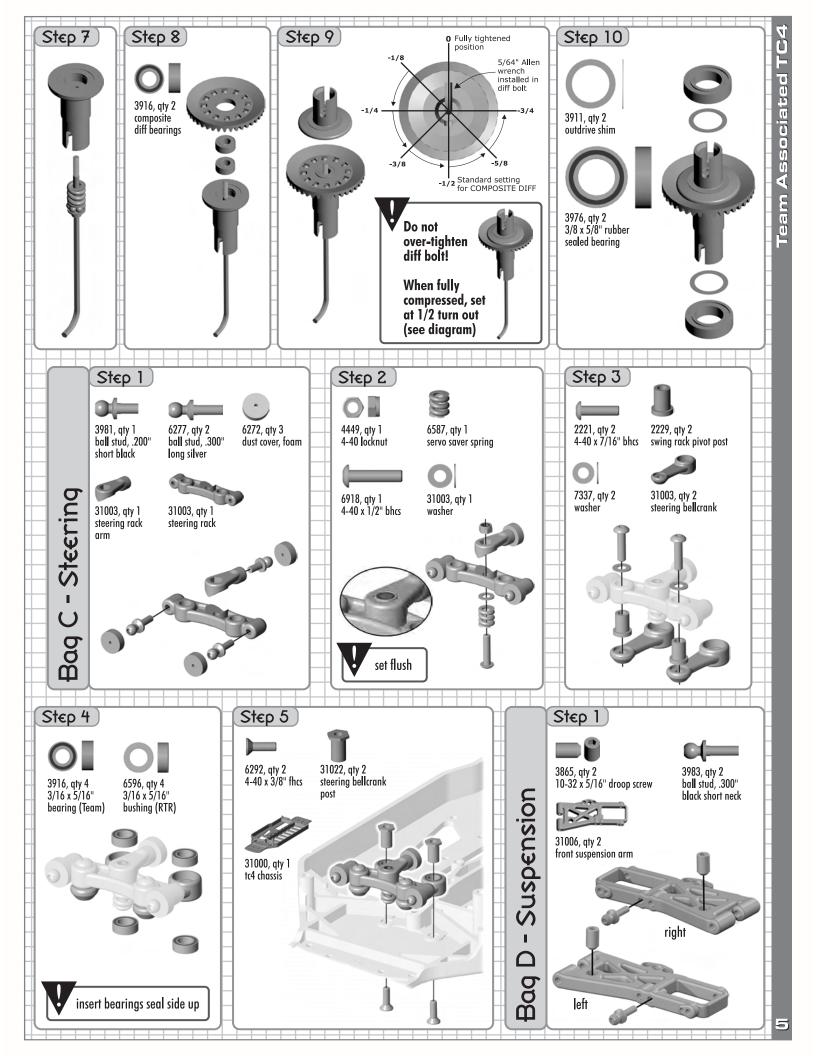
- 1. R/C two channel surface frequency radio system.
- 2. Six cell battery pack.
- 3. Battery charger (we recommend a peak detection charger).
- 4. Electronic Speed Control (ESC).
- 5. R/C electric motor.
- 6. Pinion gear, size to be determined by type and wind of motor you will be using.
- 7. 190mm Lexan body.

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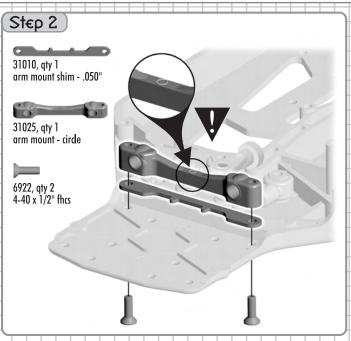


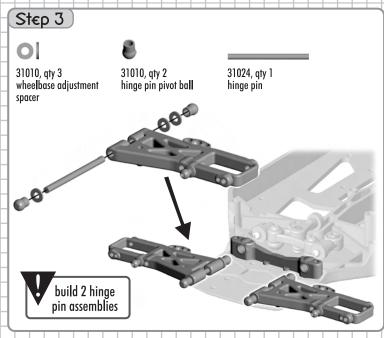


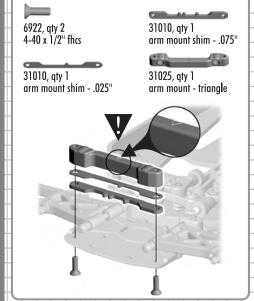


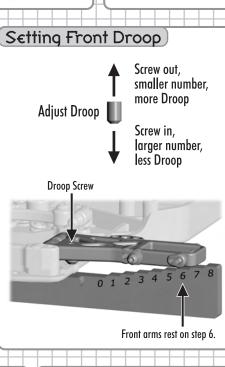
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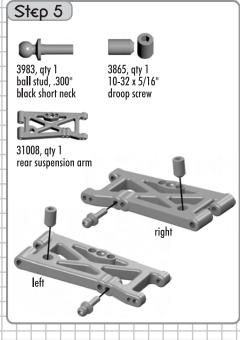
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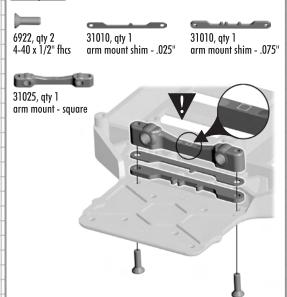


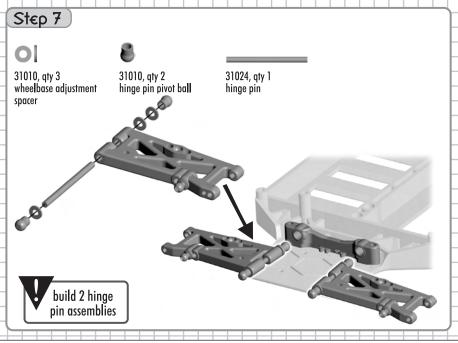


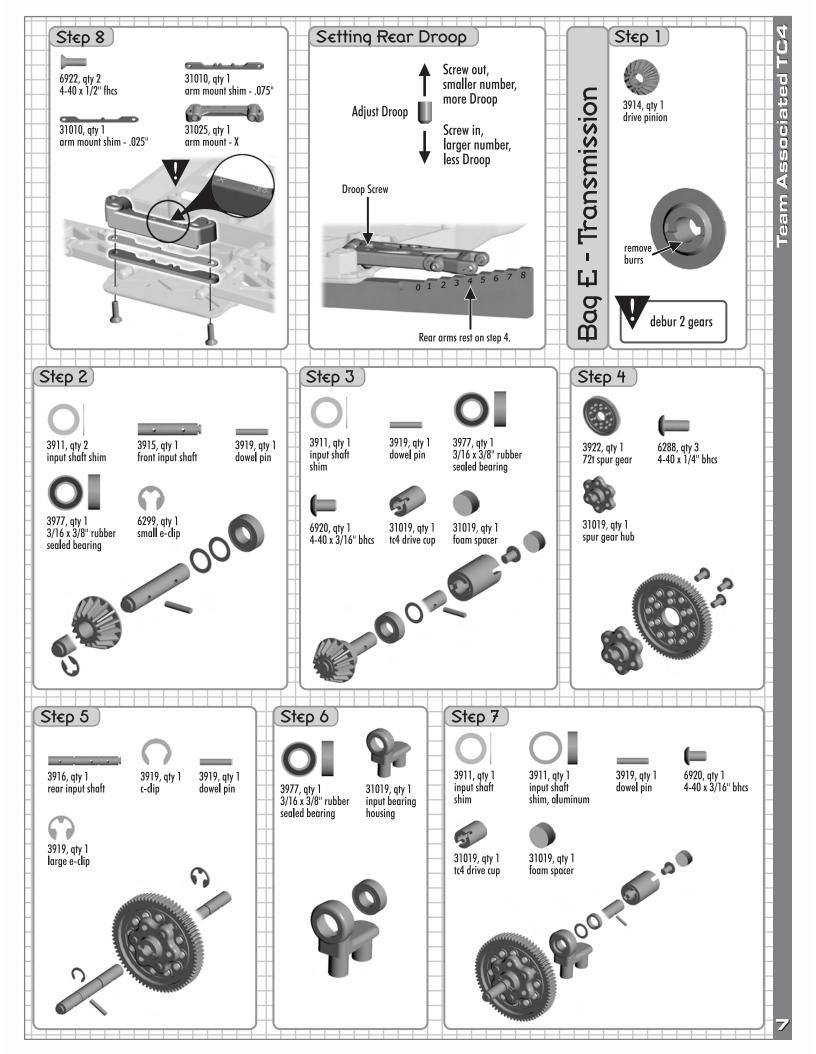


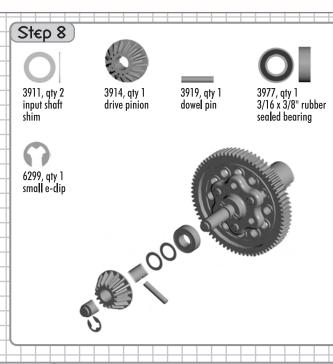


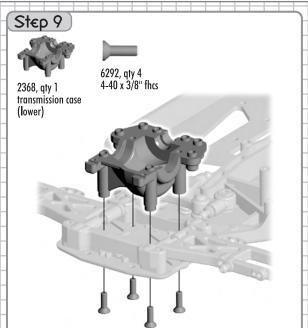


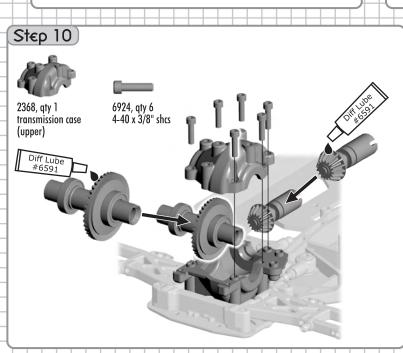


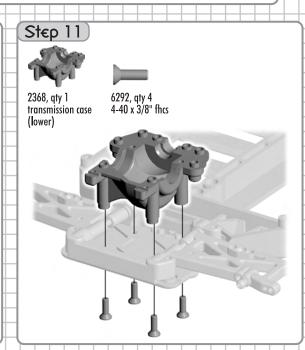


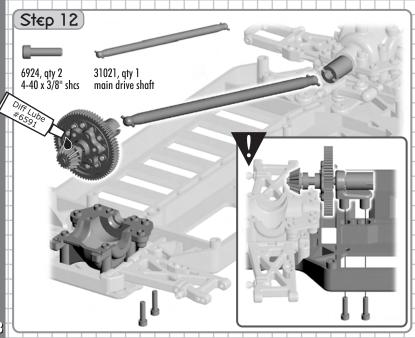


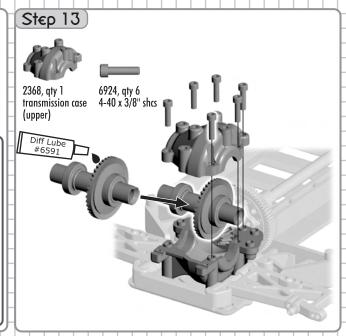


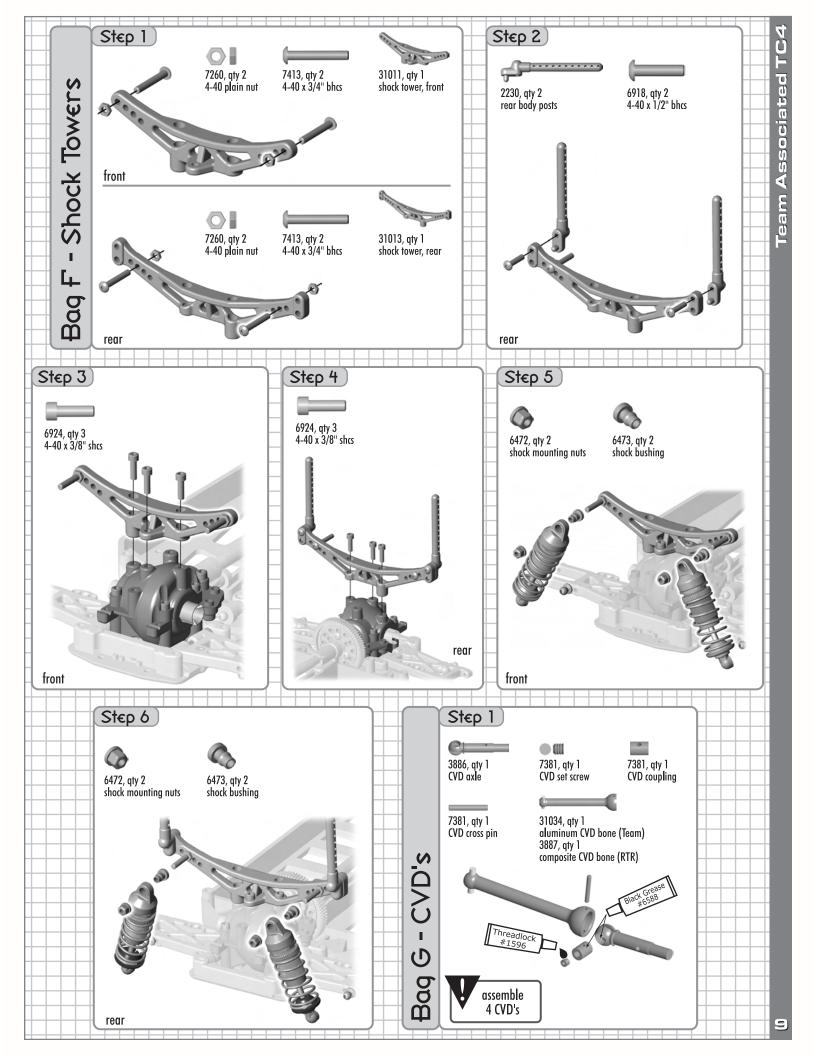


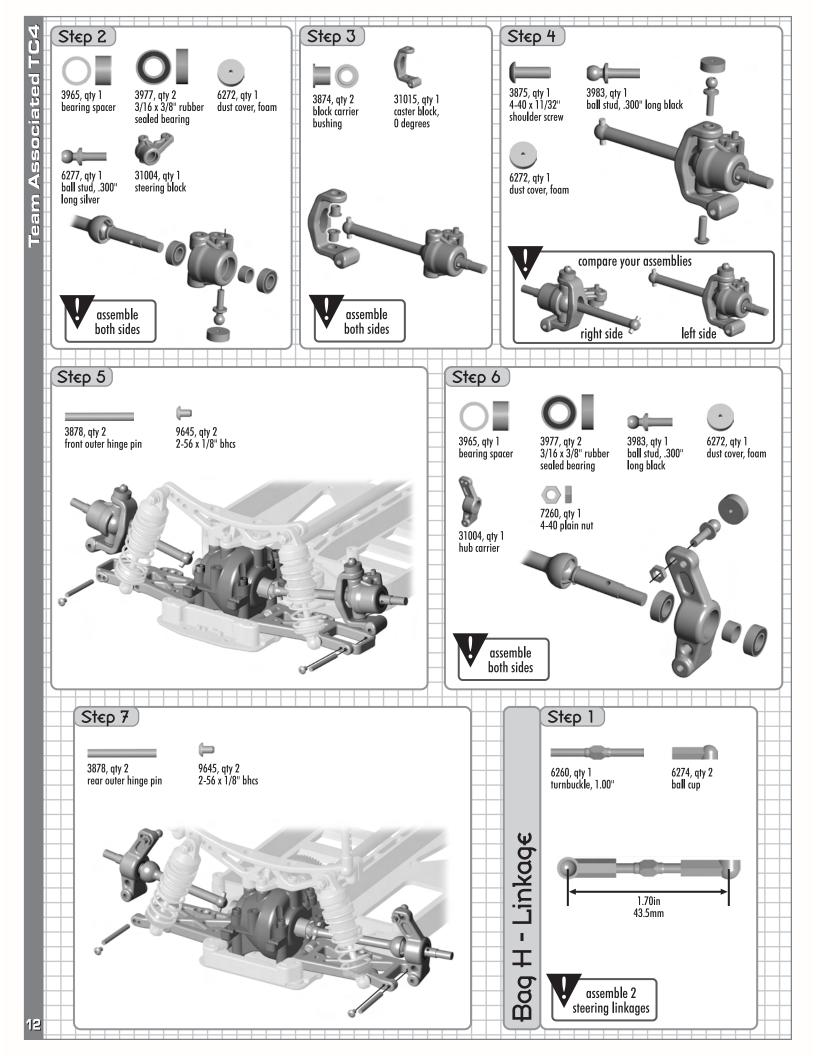


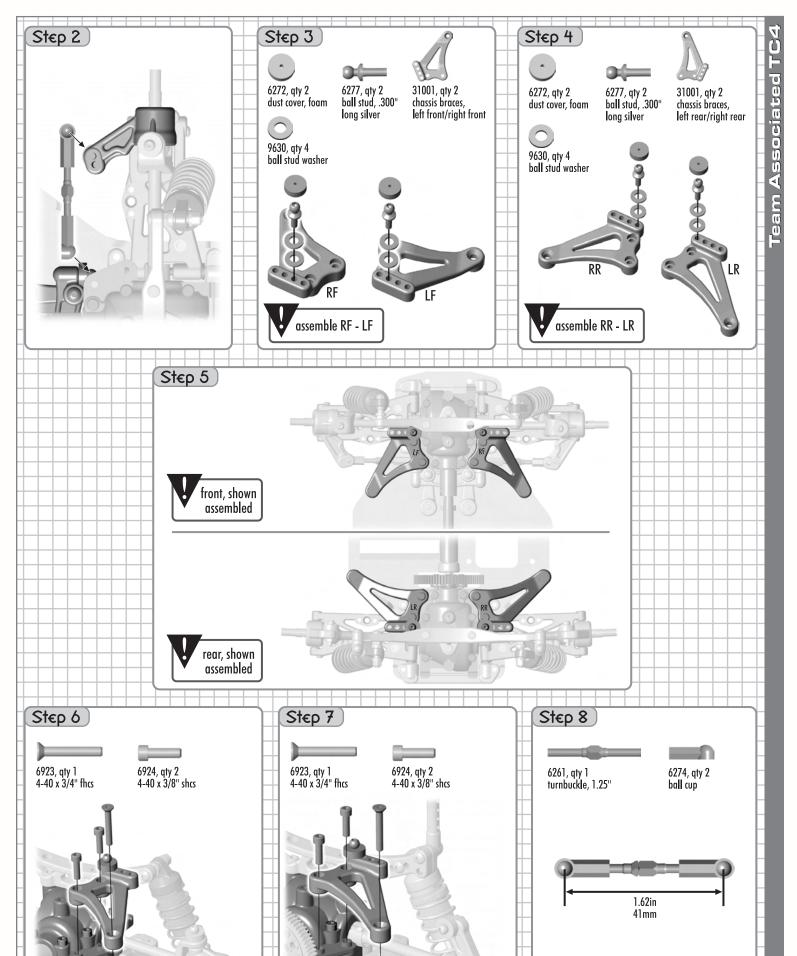










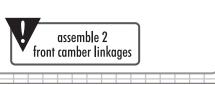


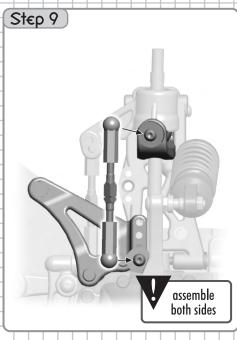
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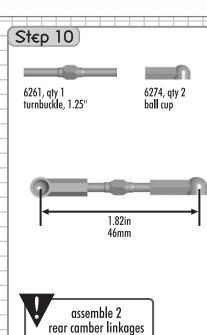
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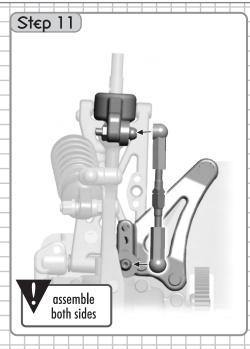
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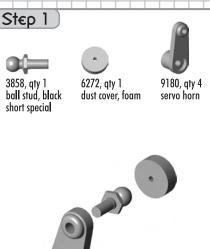


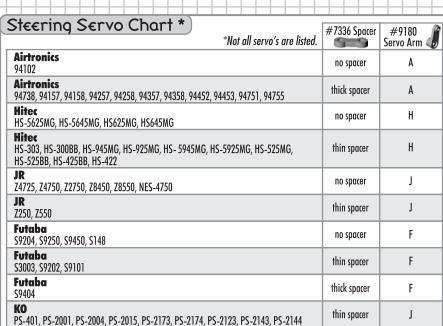


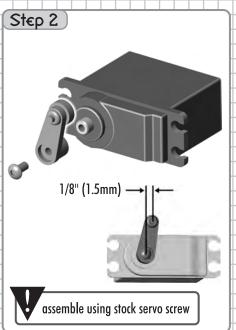


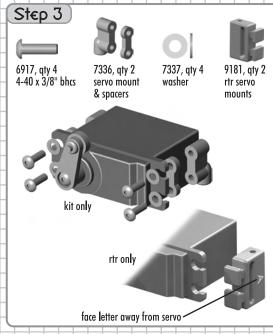


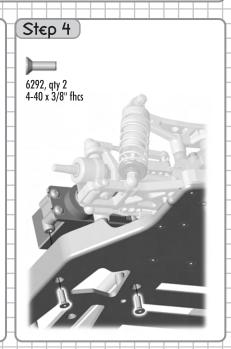




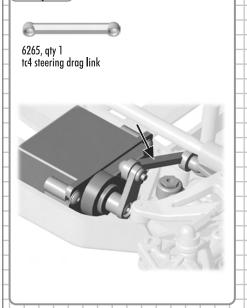












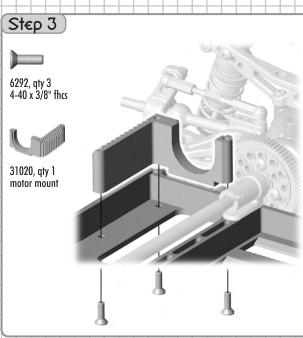
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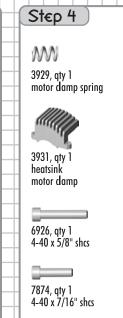


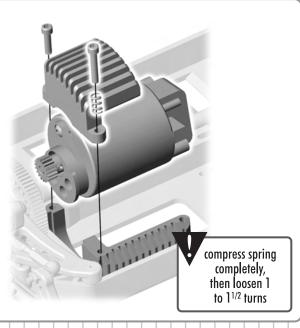


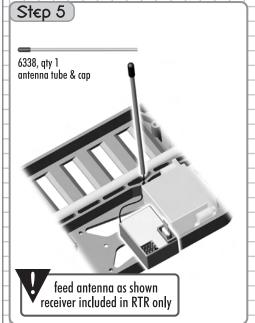


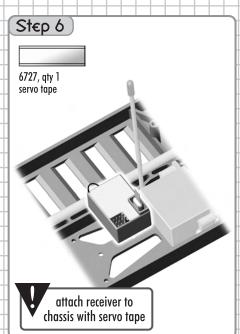


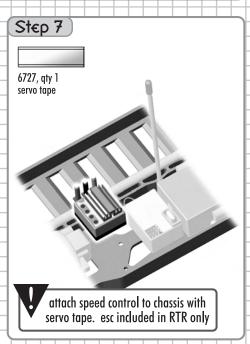


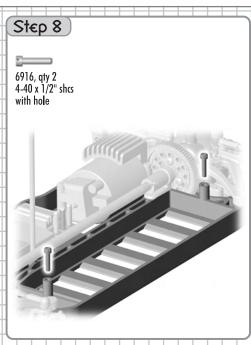


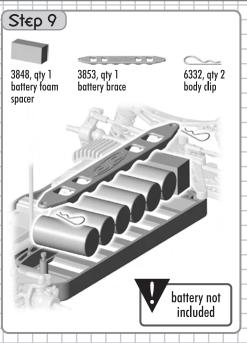


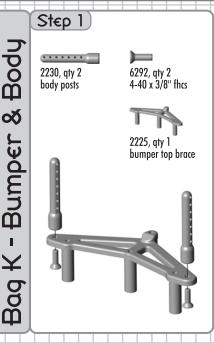


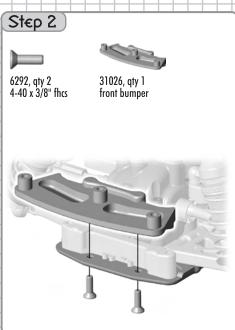


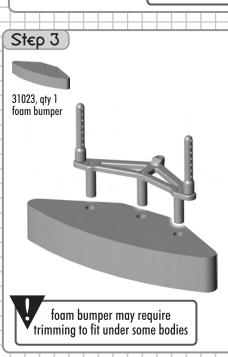


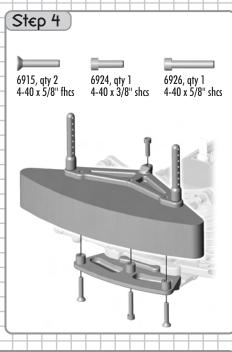


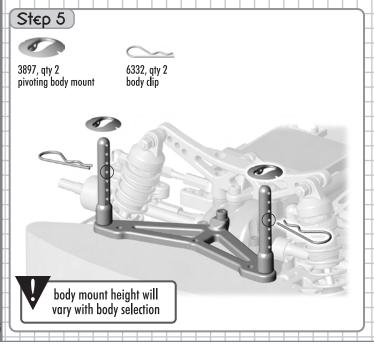


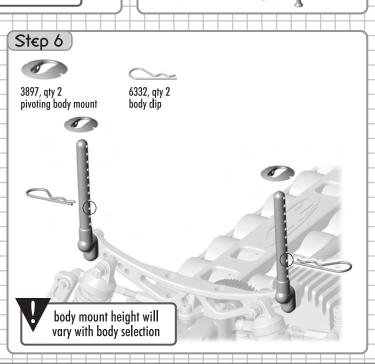




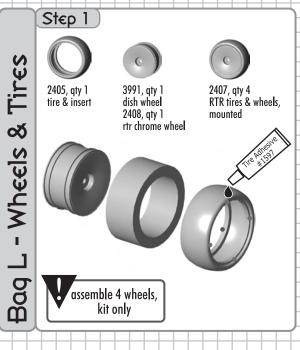


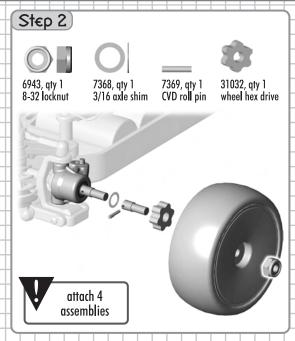






# Tuning Adjustments Bag L - Wh





### Congratulations!

This completes the assembly of the Team Associated TC4.

It is suggested that you select a body shell that best suits the situation for which your new TC4 will be used. Follow the instructions included with the body for painting and mounting.

# Ackermann

The inside hole on the steering blocks gives more Ackermann, while the outboard hole yields less Ackermann. Increasing Ackermann will smooth out steering and is best when running a one-way or on a high traction surface such as carpet. Reduced Ackermann will typically work best with a front diff or a solid axle. This will give more mid-to-exit steering and more corner speed.

### Anti-Div€

Rear mount higher than front mount, negative result.

Adding anti-dive reduces weight transfer to the front on deceleration entering corners. It also reduces caster at the wheel.

# Arm Mount Shimming

The TC4s new arm mounting system allows for maximum adjustability for both asphalt and foam tire conditions. The shimming system allows you to run the pins flat , kick-up, anti-dive, anti-squat, and pro-squat. Each shim is numbered 1,2, and 3 is designated by the number of tabs on the shim. To determine what you are running, for each pair of mounts ( $\Delta$  and O for front,  $\Box$  and X for rear) subtract the number of tabs on the forward arm mount ( $\Delta$  or  $\Box$ ) from the number of tabs on the rearward arm mount (O or X). Some examples:

### **Front Suspension**

triangle	circle	result	Туре	Roll Center
2	2	0	flat	std.
3	3	0	flat	high
0	0	0	flat	low
4	2	+2	kick-up	std.
2	0	+2	kick-up	low
2	1	+1	kick-up	low
2	4	-2	anti-dive	high
0	2	-2	anti-dive	low
1	2	-1	anti-dive	std.

### Rear Suspension

square	Х	result	Туре	Roll Center	
4	4	0	flat	std.	
6	6	0	flat	high	
2	2	0	flat	low	
4	2	+2	anti-squat	std.	
2	0	+2	anti-squat	low	
4	3	+1	anti-squat	std.	
2	4	-2	pro-squat	std.	
0	2	-2	pro-squat	low	
3	4	-1	pro-squat	std.	

Also, you can raise or lower the mounts for maximum roll-center adjustability. Simply raise the mounts in equal increments under both mounts and you can raise the roll center. Lowering the mounts in equal increments will lower the roll center.

# Anti-Squat

Front mount higher than rear mount, positive result. Increasing anti-squat will make the rear suspension stiffer. It tends to give the car more entry steering and reduce rearward weight transfer on power.

# Pro-Squat

Rear mount higher than front mount, negative result. Running Pro-Squat will increase rearward weight transfer on power.

# Kick-Up

Front mount higher than rear mount, positive result. Increasing kick-up will make the front suspension stiffer, as well as increasing caster at the wheel.

# Caster

Caster describes the angle of the kingpin from vertical while looking from the side of the car. Positive caster means the top of the kingpin leans rearward. Adding negative caster means the kingpin is leaning towards the front of the car. Since caster is measured at the wheel, it is affected by running any inclination in your inboard arm mount. Kick-up adds (+) caster, and anti-dive adds (-) caster.

When figuring out your caster at the wheel, add the number of degrees of kick-up or anti-dive and add it to the degree caster blocks you have on the car.

Typically for most racing surfaces, 4 degrees caster is the normal starting point for the Team. From there, increase caster to reduce mid to exit steering and make the front end less responsive. Conversely, decreased caster gives a more responsive feel and more exit steering.

# Ballstud Height & Camber Location

You can lower the front or rear roll center by lowering the arm mounts, or raising the inner ballstud. A lower roll center will put more weight on the tires during cornering, and increases traction to that end of the car. Shortening the link (typically used on high grip and carpet) will raise the roll center and decrease grip. A similar effect can come from lowering the ballstud. You can lower the ballstud from standard by using a black short-neck ballstud.

# Battery Placement

For most cases, run the battery in the standard forward position. Typically this will be the most stable and easiest to drive. Try moving the battery back if you encounter a low traction surface.

### Wheelbase

Moving the wheels towards the center of the car will increase traction on that end of the car. Lengthening the front will reduce steering, shortening the front will increase steering. Shortening the rear will increase rear grip, lengthening the rear will decrease rear traction.

# Ride Height

The standard starting point for ride height is 5mm front and rear and will be used at 90% of conditions. You can lower the front slightly relative to the rear to gain steering. Raise the car slightly for tracks with banking or large bumps. Some carpet tracks have a minimum ride height so check with the track manager.

# Droop

The standard settings of 5mm front and 4mm rear will work best in most cases. Reducing the droop by 0.5 to 1mm both front and rear will increase responsiveness. On carpet, you should run more droop to account for smaller tire diameters.

### Rear Toe-In

The TC4 comes with 3 rear toe-in per side. Decreasing toe-in will decrease rear traction and increase corner speed. The optional parts needed are #31068 2.5 degree toe-in and #31069 2.0 degree toe-in blocks.

# Motor Gearing

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		69	70	71	72	73	74	75
	18	9.58	9.72	9.86	10.00	10.14	10.28	10.42
	19	9.08	9.21	9.34	9.47	9.61	9.74	9.87
	20	8.63	8.75	8.88	9.00	9.13	9.25	9.38
	21	8.21	8.33	8.45	8.57	8.69	8.81	8.93
	22	7.84	7.95	8.07	8.18	8.30	8.41	8.52
	23	7.50	7.61	7.72	7.83	7.93	8.04	8.15
	24	7.19	7.29	7.40	7.50	7.60	7.71	7.81
	25	6.90	7.00	7.10	7.20	7.30	7.40	7.50
完	26	6.63	6.73	6.83	6.92	7.02	7.12	7.21
Pitch)	27	6.39	6.48	6.57	6.67	6.76	6.85	6.94
<u>Т</u>	28	6.16	6.25	6.34	6.43	6.52	6.61	6.70
(48	29	5.95	6.03	6.12	6.21	6.29	6.38	6.47
Pinion	30	5.75	5.83	5.92	6.00	6.08	6.17	6.25
	31	5.56	5.65	5.73	5.81	5.89	5.97	6.05
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Motor	72t Spur
24-degree stock (torque based)	28
24-degree stock (RPM based)	27
19 Turn Spec	30
12-Turn Modified (Big Track)	25
12-Turn Modified	24
11-Turn Modified	22
10-Turn Modified	21
9-Turn Modified	20
8-Turn Modified	19

Motor gearing is a starting recommendation only. You may need to adjust your gearing according to your track size.

# Tips for beginners...

Before making any changes to the standard setup, make sure you can get around the track without crashing. Changes to your car will not be beneficial if you cannot stay on the track. Your goal is consistent laps.

Once you can get around the track consistently, start tuning your car. Make only ONE adjustment at a time, testing it before making another change. If the result of your adjustment is a faster lap, mark the change on the included setup sheet (make additional copies of the sheet before writing on it). If your adjustment results in a slower lap, revert back to the previous setup and try another change.

When you are satisfied with your car, fill in the setup sheet thoroughly and file it away. Use this as a guide for future track days or conditions.

For more racing tips and setup information, go to: www.RC10.com • www.TeamAssociated.com • www.CompetitionX.com

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Facto	ory Team Options		
1401	FT 1.30"/33mm Titanium Turnbuckles	Pr.	\$ 8.00
1414	FT 1.125"/28.5mm Titanium Turnbuckles	Pr.	9.00
1729	TC3/TC4/NTC3 HD Oneway Housing w/Bearings	1	40.00
1731	HD Oneway Special Outdrive Bearings	Pr.	8.00
1785	Graphite Battery Spacer	1	8.99
3978	TC3/TC4 HD Front Oneway Assembly	1	61.99
3979	TC3/TC4 HD Front Oneway Outdrives	Pr.	21.00
3985	FT Hard Anodized Threaded Shock Kit (2 complete shocks)	Set	39.99
3990	FT Hard Anodized Threaded Shock Bodies	Pr.	20.00
31002	TC4 Carbon Chassis Braces	Set	9.99
31005	TC4 Carbon Hub Carrier & Steering Block (1 ea)	Set	11.99
31007	TC4 Carbon Front A-Arms	Pr.	10.99
31008	TC4 Carbon Rear A-Arms	Pr.	10.99
31012	TC4 Carbon Front Shock Tower	1	8.99
31014	TC4 Carbon Rear Shock Tower	1	8.99
31035	FT Motor Cooling Duct/Screen	1	5.99
31036	FT Motor Cooling Fans, prewired	2	24.99
31037	FT Motor Cooling Duct/Fan Kit	1	28.99
31039	FT Blue Graphite Battery Brace w/Chrome Decal	1	14.99
31041	TC4 Carbon Chassis	1	39.99
31042	TC4 Carbon Component Kit	Set	69.99
31046	FT TC4 Motor Mount, blue	1	19.99
31047	FT TC4 Motor Clamp, blue	1	27.99
31048	FT Aluminum Motor Heatsink, black (for std clamp)	1	9.99
31049	FT Aluminum Motor Heatsink, blue (for #31047)	1	14.99
31052	FT Titanium Turnbuckle Kit (6 $+$ wrench)	Set	29.99
31054	FT TC4 Aluminum Screw Kit, blue (38 pcs)	Set	12.99
31057	FT Anti-Roll Bar Kit (includes 3 bars)	Set	12.99
31058	FT Aluminum Anti-Roll Bar Studs, blue	2	3.99
31060	FT TC4 Polished Hinge Pin Set	Set	9.99
31062	FT TC4 Lightened Steel Diff Outdrives (1 ea side)	Pr.	19.99
31064	FT TC4 Aluminum F Arm Mount - Triangle	1	12.99
31065	FT TC4 Aluminum F Arm Mount - Circle	1	12.99
31066	FT TC4 Aluminum R Arm Mount - Square	1	12.99
31067	FT TC4 Aluminum R Arm Mount - X-3.0	1	12.99
31068	FT TC4 Aluminum R Arm Mount - X-2.5	1	12.99
31069	FT TC4 Aluminum R Arm Mount - X-2.0	1	12.99
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# Factory Team Tools

1110	FT Turnbuckle Wrench	1	\$ 1.50
1450	FT Ride Height Gauge	1	14.99
1541	Hex Driver Set	Set	59.99
1542	Hex Driver, .050", Silver Handle	1	10.50
1543	Hex Driver, 1/16", Black Handle	1	10.50
1544	Hex Driver, 1.5mm, Purple Handle	1	10.50
1545	Hex Driver, 5/64", Blue Handle	1	10.50
1546	Hex Driver, 3/32", Gold Handle	1	10.50
1547	Hex Driver, 2.5mm, Green Handle	1	10.50
1548	Hex Driver, 3mm, Red Handle	1	10.50
1561	Nut Driver Set	Set	69.99
1562	Nut Driver, 3/16", Black Handle	1	12.99
1563	Nut Driver, 1/4", Red Handle	1	12.99
1564	Nut Driver, 5.5mm, Purple Handle	1	12.99
1565	Nut Driver, 11/32", Green Handle	1	12.99
1566	Nut Driver, 7mm, Silver Handle	1	12.99
1567	Nut Driver, 8mm, Gold Handle	1	12.99

1572	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, .050"	1	5.50
1573	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, 1/16"	1	5.50
1574	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, 1.5mm	1	5.50
1575	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, 5/64"	1	5.50
1576	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, 3/32"	1	5.50
1577	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, 2.5mm	1	5.50
1578	Hex Driver Replacement Tip, 3mm	1	5.50
1593	FT Body Reamer Tip	1	9.95
1594	FT Body Reamer	1	22.00
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