

Rules for the Mid-Michigan Model Makers Box Build-All Types Class

In an effort to promote our hobby and increase participation, the 4M Club has added an all-inclusive “Box Build” class. This class is open to all genres built in “Out of the Box” fashion. This will be a standalone class in which all entries will be eligible to compete for “Best of Show.” Any splits in this class will be at the discretion of the Mid-Michigan Model Makers.

The goal of the class is threefold,

1. To give a new modeler, person returning to the hobby, or person who has limited time to work on a project, a class where they can display and compete with similar modelers.
2. To encourage the learning and development of good basic modeling techniques and skills.
3. To ensure that at the 4M Club show, modelers of all skill levels have a place where they feel welcomed, can compete and receive recognition for their efforts, and most of all – have fun!

To these ends, judging for this class will be done on a “Quality of Build” criteria only. The criteria will be:

1. Fit and alignment of parts.
2. Flash removal, seam filling, and paint prep.
3. Quality of paint work.
4. Application of decals.
5. Overall neatness.

The rules of the class are as follows:

1. All models for box build will be limited to parts supplied in the kit as packaged by the manufacturer.
2. No cast resin, photo etched, or other aftermarket parts are allowed, unless included in the kit.
3. The only aftermarket items allowed are paints and paint washes, metal foil and replacement decals. Masking tape seat belts and aircraft rigging and antenna wires as shown in the instructions will be allowed, but will only be judged on quality build criteria.
4. Die cast kits, resin, wood, and vacuform kits are allowed if they comply with all other rules.
5. The model kit instructions must be displayed next to the model, so judges may check for correct parts.