

WWII ALLIED LANDING CRAFT

15mm Miniatures

Version 1.0

Battlefront Miniatures (Flames of War).

Sold as a LIMITED RUN three-pack.

Includes 3-man crew and 24 troops for all boats.

Prices shown are for US.

Availability ends April 1, 2008 from Battlefront direct.

May still be able to find this item in hobby stores that carry the Flames of War line. In addition, some web stores still have this item in stock, including:

US: <http://thewarstore.com/>

(Battlefront/FOW > Americans > US Army/Boxed Sets)

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LCVP ~ (UBX08) (x3 = \$45.00)

Command Decision (Old Glory).

Sold as individual models (at discount) in the US.

Sold as individual models in the UK.

All photos are from the Skytrex site.

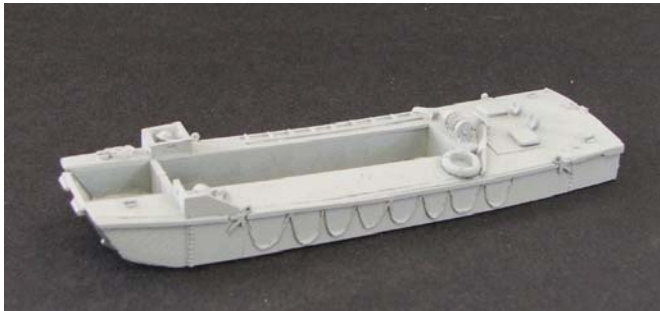
Prices shown are for US (Warweb 2008 discount pricing)

US: <http://www.warweb.com/>

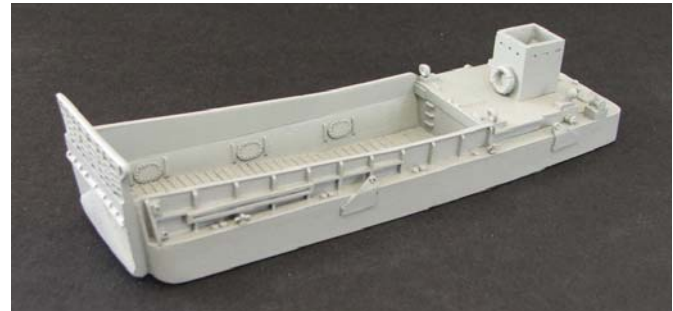
(Miniatures > Old Glory > Old Glory Command Decision)

UK: <http://skytrex.com/>

(Military Vehicles > 15mm Command Decision)



LCA ~ (CD-2002) (x1 = \$14.39)



LCM(3) ~ (CD-2001) (x1 = \$13.20)



LCV ~ (CD-2003) (x1 = \$14.39)



LCVP ~ (CD-2004) (x1 = \$14.39)

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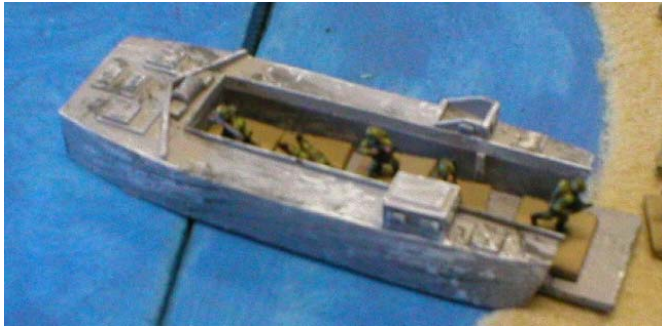
Sold as individual models.

All photos obtained from the manufacturer (email).
Prices shown are from 2008 price guide.

Note: These models are resin, and come assembled and painted unless you request otherwise.

Only available direct from the manufacturer. There is no web site, you must contact Game Models via email:
gamodls@raex.com

Ask for current price guide and photos and he will get back to you promptly.



LCA ~ (x1 = \$6)



LCM(3) (Sherman Dozer not included) ~ (x1 = \$10)



LCP(L) (listed as LCP early, no ramp) ~ (x1 = \$6)



LCP(R) ~ (x1 = \$6)



LCVP ~ (x1 = \$6)

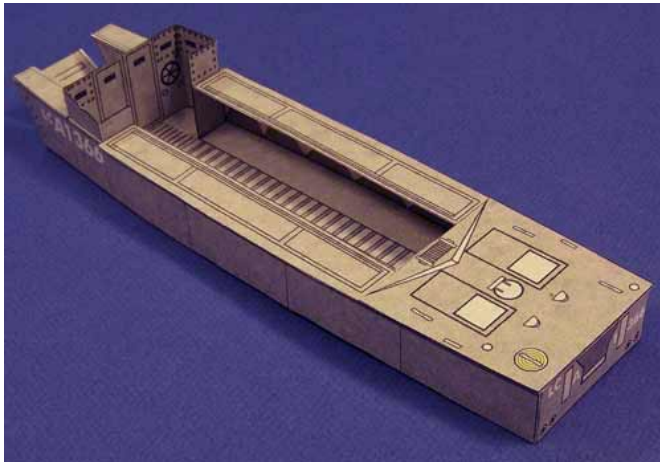
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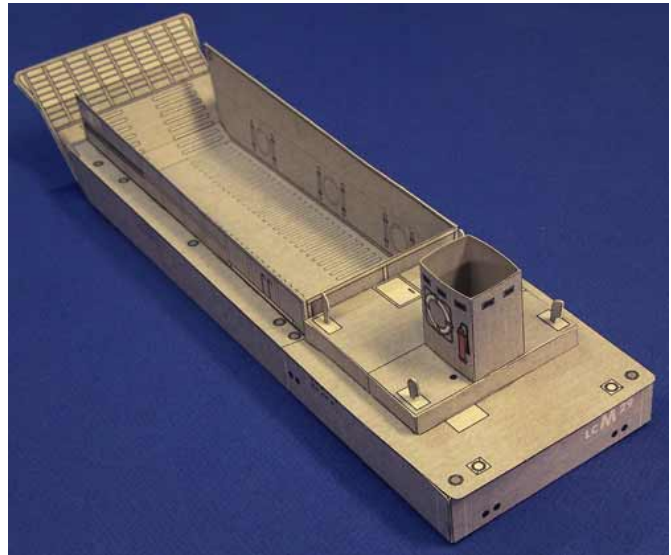
Paper Terrain

Sold as pre-printed color cardstock kits.
Available in several scales and prices.
15mm quantities and prices shown.
All photos are from the Paper Terrain site.

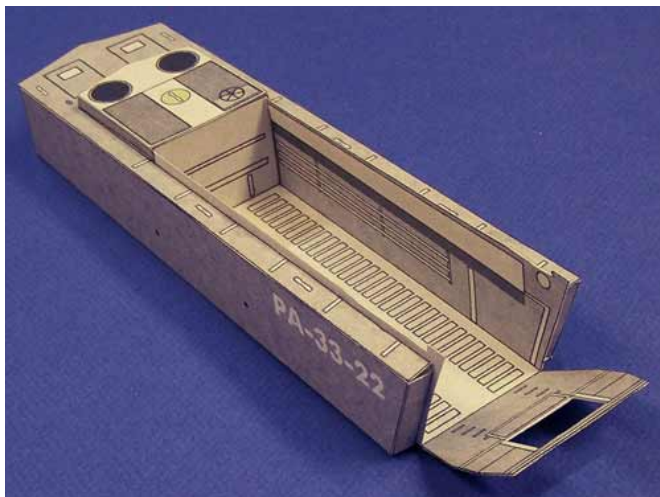
US: <http://paperterrain.com/>
(Landing Craft > to see photos)
(Online Store > Landing Craft > to see scales & pricing)



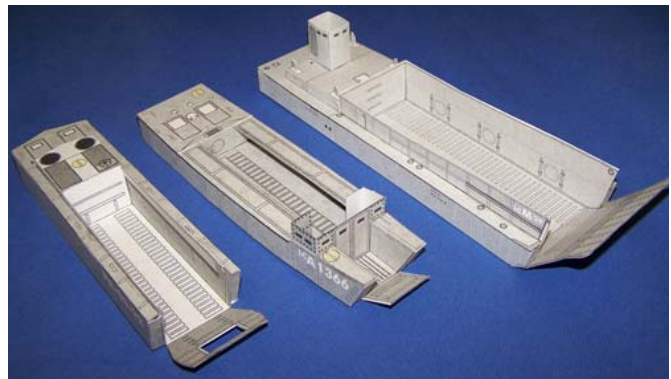
LCA ~ (x6 = \$10)



LCM(3) ~ (x5 = \$12)



LCVP ~ (x6 = \$12)



All three types (shown for relative size comparison)

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Quality Casting (QC)

Sold as individual models.

NO PHOTOS AVAILABLE.

Prices shown are for US (Warweb 2008 pricing).

Note: These models are resin.

US: <http://oldglory15s.com/catalog/>

(15mm Figures > World War II > American Forces)

(Quality Castings > WWII > Americans > Amtracks)

Also available US: <http://www.warweb.com/>

(Miniatures > Quality Casting > WWII > American)

NO PHOTO

LCVP ~ (LCA-001) (x1 = \$15)

NO PHOTO

LCM-3 ~ (LCA-002) (x1 = \$16)

NO PHOTO

LCP(L) ~ (LCA-003) (x1 = \$15)

FYI: A note on the Old Glory 15s site indicates that these three models are actually being made for them by a company called Armaments in Miniature (AIM). If you visit the AIM site (at armamentsinminiature.com) you will find these three models available for purchase, plus two others: an LCP(R) and an LCV. The price for those last two is listed as STBD which means "Still To Be Determined" and is the standard practice for AIM when a model is in development but not ready for sale. Anyone interested in one of those models should drop a note to AIM and inquire as to their availability.

Wargame Downloads

Sold as downloadable PDF.

Photo from their web site.

Prices shown are current as of March 2008.

Note: This model is 1/72 scale, and would need to be reduced in size when printing to fit 15mm scale.

<http://www.wargamedownloads.com/>

(Select Paper Models - Ships)



LCA ~ (x1 = \$2.50)



LCVP ~ (x1 = \$2.50)

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Production Numbers & Pacific Theater Use

Model	Built	Description & Use	Production Data
LCA	2,000	Landing Craft, Assault British landing craft. Could carry 35 troops and their equipment. Used throughout the war to land troops in all theaters (even American troops in Europe).	Produced from Sep 1939 through 1945
LCP(L)	2,193	Landing Craft, Personnel, Large. No ramp. Replaced smaller LCP which only entered production earlier in 1941. Could carry 36 troops, or 4 tons of cargo.	Entered production Sep 1941
LCP(R)	2,631	Landing Craft, Personnel, Ramp Modified LCP(L) with narrow gangway leading to small front ramp. Replaced LCP(L). Could carry 36 troops, or 4 tons of cargo.	Entered production 1942
LCV	2,366	Landing Craft, Vehicle Specifically designed with a wide ramp to accommodate vehicles and wheeled equipment. Could carry 36 troops, or 1 light gun, or 1 vehicle up to 1-ton truck, or 5 tons of cargo.	Entered production 1942
LCVP	23,358	Landing Craft, Vehicle or Personnel A redesigned and improved LCV. Replaced LCP(R) and LCV models by late 1943. Became the most widely used landing craft of the war; used in all theaters. Commonly referred to as the "Higgins" boat after its inventor (Andrew Higgins). * Could carry 36 troops, or 1 light gun, or 1 vehicle up to 1-ton and 12 troops, or 4 tons of cargo.	Produced from Nov 1942 through 1945
LCM(2) **	147	Landing Craft, Mechanized (Mk II) Specifically designed to carry medium guns, light tanks and cargo. Could carry 56 troops, or 1 medium gun, or 1 light tank, or 27.5 tons of cargo.	Produced 1942
LCM(3)	8,631	Landing Craft, Mechanized (Mk III) Specifically designed to carry medium guns, medium tanks, and cargo. Quickly replaced the LCM(2). Could carry 60 troops, or 1 medium gun, or 1 medium tank, or 30 tons of cargo.	Produced from 1942 through 1945
LCM(6) **	2,718	Landing Craft, Mechanized (Mk VI) This was a slightly longer version of the Mk III Could carry 75 troops, or 1 medium gun, or 1 medium tank, or 35 tons of cargo.	Entered production 1943

* Andrew Higgins also designed the LCP(L), the LCV, the LCM(3) and the LCM(6) as well, and they were made at the Higgins Boat Company. This is one reason why many "flat-bottomed landing craft" were referred to as Higgins Boats.

** I have not found anyone who makes these craft in 15mm.

Usage

LCP(L)s and LCM(2)s were used for Guadalcanal (Aug 1942). LVT-1s were available but used to ferry supplies, not land troops. By Bougainville (Nov 1943), the LCVP was used to carry troops, light guns and small vehicles, having replaced the LCP(R)s and LCVs. Also, from this point on, the LCM(3) was the primary small craft used to land tanks during the initial assault. Tarawa (Nov 1943) saw the first use of LVTs (covered in a prior document) in the assault waves to carry troops. But until LVTs with ramps became available (starting with the LVT-4 on Saipan, June 1944), LCVPs were still used in the assault to carry light guns and small vehicles.

Some Sources:

US World War II Amphibious Tactics, Army & Marine Corps, Pacific Theater (G. Rottman).
 US World War II Amphibious Tactics, Mediterranean & European Theaters (G. Rottman).
 Encyclopedia of Weapons of World War II (C. Bishop)

WWII JAPANESE LANDING CRAFT

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Game Models



Daihatsu Barge (foreground - x1 = \$4) ~ Daihatsu Light (upper right - x1 = \$6) ~ Daihatsu Medium (upper left - x1 = \$10)

Quality Casting

NO PHOTO

Daihatsu ~ (LCJ-001) (x1 = \$16)

NO PHOTO

Toku Daihatsu ~ (LCJ-002) (x1 = \$16)

Quick Reaction Force (QRF)

Sold as individual models.

Photo from QRF site.

Price shown is in UK currency from their web site

Note: These models are resin with a metal ramp.

US: <http://www.wargamesinc.biz/>

Not yet available to shop online, but they say to email them for prices & ordering because they do carry them.

UK: <http://www.quickreactionforce.co.uk/>

(Enter Shop > QRF > WWII > Japanese > Landing Craft)



Daihatsu ~ (JLC01) (x1 = £5)