

## 1: Tonka Toys ID | Identification Guide | Year Tonka Was Made

*The toughest toy trucks of all are also becoming increasingly tougher to find for collectors. This Tonka Truck book includes all types of individual vehicles, sets and accessories! A dating and identification guide proves useful, as have the caption notes which re.*

And we should probably thank eBay and the internet in general for providing a forum that allowed the semi to be elevated from possible custom or possible private label to private label. Page 72 lists the Kroehler semi as a private label along with other known private label trucks. Page 85 features a Kroehler semi with a blue cab and white trailer. The Tonka world as we knew it in , was off and running and looking for private label Kroehler semis with blue cabs and white trailers. There have been no sightings of a blue cab pulling a white trailer since the picture was published in Example 2 Original Kroehler semi. Louis Bernstein, son of the original owner responded, "This truck was originally received by my father, Milton Bernstein, at his furniture store L. It would have come from the factory sales representative for Kroehler Furniture Company. I do not have the original advertising literature that came inside the trailer. Tonka guidebooks show that the truck is from about The truck was on display at our Cumberland store until Then my father moved his collections to our new furniture store in LaVale, Maryland. It remained on display there until we sold the store in The truck was then stored in our basement until sold on eBay on December 1, ". Example 3 Original Kroehler semi. Billy purchased the Kroehler semi featured as Example 3. The semi was purchased from the second owner who had purchased it from the original owner identified on the shipping label as E. The box the semi was shipped in has the part number for an Allied Moving Van semi. Using available packaging was common practice. The trailer does not have the label affixed to the roof. The label was affixed when the semi was displayed at trade shows. The metered postage was 63 cents. Example 3 used an Allied box Example 3 address label and postage placement Example 3 address label Value: The buyer wishes to remain anonymous.

## 2: Price Guide to Tonka Trucks, (July 23, edition) | Open Library

*This book provides a quality reference on Tonka Truck Toys produced from through Information on how to recognize and identify each truck is provided as well as a price guide section. Heavily illustrated in color.*

The front clip was the same round fender design Tonka introduced in 1947. You could have any color you wanted as long as it was red. The grille and front bumper was a one piece plated steel design. The headlights were separate plated steel pieces that pushed into the grille. Tires were molded one piece black rubber. The wheel covers were aluminum with a satin finish and 5 round holes. The tailgate was hinged at the bottom and secured to the box sides at the top with a plated metal chain on each side. There was no windshield, side or back "glass". The model was based on the current Ford F pickup of the era. The front bumper and grille, although still plated steel, were now separate pieces with the grille held in place by a single, clear, smooth plastic headlight on each side. All other features remained the same as the 1947 model. The hood now sported a scoop, unique to 1948. There was also another feature added to the rear of the pickup. A pocket was added to the underside rear of the bed that, when used with a pin, would hitch a trailer. The example on the left features the front end of the Hi-Way pickup. Note the black bumper. Except for the Hi-Way series and the Allied Van Lines semi, all other trucks sported the familiar bright finish bumper. Once again, the design of the pickup was based on the Ford F series of the period. A clear plastic windshield made its initial appearance, but still no side or back "glass". The tailgate was hinged at the bottom and secured to the box sides with plated metal chains. The pocket for an accessory trailer was retained. Tires were black rubber and the aluminum satin finished wheel covers still sported 5 round holes. The plated steel bumper and grille were separate pieces with the grille now held in place by four smooth, clear plastic headlights. The grille on the 1949, 1950, and 1951 models, has the Tonka "T" embossed in the center. The center of the front bumper is smooth. The hood on 1948 and 1949 models only, can be identified by the four parallel ribs, evenly spaced, running front to back. Keeping in mind that both years sported hoods with 4 parallel ribs, check for the chains. There were other changes that took place in 1948 that can help differentiate models made in both 1947 and 1948. New for 1948 was the introduction of whitewall tires. Depending on the model, trucks were manufactured with either a rubber whitewall inserted into a black rubber tire or the familiar one piece rubber blackwall tire. Also new for 1948 was the introduction of two new wheel covers. The aluminum wheel cover with five round holes was deleted. Depending on the model, the trucks were fitted with either a plated steel solid disc wheel cover or a plated steel wheel cover with five triangular holes. The key identifying feature is the hood design. The 2 inside ribs were deleted replaced by a very wide center rib that grew wider front to back. The pocket under the bed was deleted. A new hitching method was designed into the chassis to allow accessory trailers to be attached. The hole in the trailer tang is too small. Tires and wheel covers remained as noted on the models. The embossed Tonka T that had graced the grille on the 1947 through 1949 models was removed. The Tonka T was now emblazoned on the center of the front bumper. However, someone somewhere deemed models manufactured from 1947 through 1949 as "generic" and the terminology stuck over the years. Relegated to what was once a stepchild like existence, these "generic" models are becoming a solid favorite with collectors because they are reasonably priced. Tires and wheel covers remained as noted on the 1947 through 1949 models. The grille and bumper was a massive one piece design with two plastic headlights per side. Though still a one piece design, it now sported only one larger, faceted, clear headlight per side. The wheel covers carried over from 1947. The occupants finally eliminated that drafty feeling because the truck now sported a completely enclosed cab, "glass" all the way around. The tires and whitewalls changed dramatically. The tire was changed to an injection molded plastic material as was the separate whitewall. Tonka referred to this tire as their "TX life-time tire". Only the wheel cover with 5 triangular holes was used on all Regular series models. The solid disc was eliminated.

## 3: Collectors Guide to Tonka Trucks, by Don DeSalle, Barb DeSalle ()

*Tonka Private Label Kroehler Furniture Semi Kroehler semi as scanned from "Price Guide to Tonka Trucks - " The*

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*Kroehler semi was one of the last to be recognized and added to this website as a private label truck.*

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