

# The first ever 100% accurate HO Scale **GMD FP7 Locomotive**



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VIA blue and yellow. All but four locomotives were retired in 1982-3. These survivors were the CN-rebuilt 65xx series units that continued to power VIA trains into the 1990s. Another seven former CP FP7s were transferred to Montreal's new commuter agency in 1982, eventually giving another 27 years of service before being finally replaced in 2002.

## Ontario Northland

The 22 ONR FP7s immediately became the largest group of locomotives on the roster. They were ubiquitous in Northern Ontario and dominated on all types of service operated by this unique railway, even on work trains. They were regulars south of the ONR's home tracks, particularly on the nocturnal Northland passenger service from Toronto.

In the mid-1970s eight units moved to GO Transit to become Auxiliary Power Control Units (APCUs). Meanwhile, the increasing unreliability of the former Trans Europ Express (TEE) power

**Rapido Trains Inc. has made it its mission to bring as many accurate Canadian locomotives to modellers as possible and this journey continues with the first ever 100% accurate GMD (General Motors Diesel Division) FP7 locomotive.**

It's time to say goodbye to American FP7s in Canadian paint schemes, and hello to Rapido's unmatched levels of accuracy and detail.

Our FP9A is universally regarded among the best representations of the classic bulldog-nosed F units ever produced. The much requested FP7 builds on this successful platform with two brand new bodyshells and a range of underbody components that perfectly match the specific features of both the Canadian Pacific and Ontario Northland units, including the numerous detail differences between groups of units.

The FP7 and FP9A units proved to be well suited to Canadian passenger operations and

they formed the majority of the F unit fleet north of the border. The Canadian version of the 1,500hp FP7 with 16-567B prime mover was constructed at London, Ontario, between September 1950 and October 1953 for a total production run of 57 units (35 - CP, 22 - ONR).

## Canadian Pacific/VIA

Employed on freight and passenger duties from new, both CP and ONR locomotives lasted well into the 1970s before major changes took place. For the CP fleet the introduction of VIA Rail saw a number of examples transferred to the new Crown Corporation, many later gaining



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cars on the Northlander service resulted in four locomotives being converted to run with the remaining trailer cars.

The remainder of the fleet soldiered on into the 1980s with 1991 being their last year of service. This wasn't the end though as ONR extensively rebuilt three units with CAT 2,050hp prime movers, extending their life until 2004. The Rapido FP7 will represent the unmodified

units before TEE or CAT rebuilds.

The Rapido FP7 locomotive is a team effort and a labour of love from a bunch of detail fanatics. As well as our signature features such as all-separate piping under the frame, the body sides feature our unique "No-Warp Grills" in either Phase I or Phase II Farr variants. Each grill is a C-channel pressed into the shell that won't warp no matter what humidity and temperature

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We also offer matching F7B and F9B Canadian National and Canadian Pacific units in HO scale. See our website for details.

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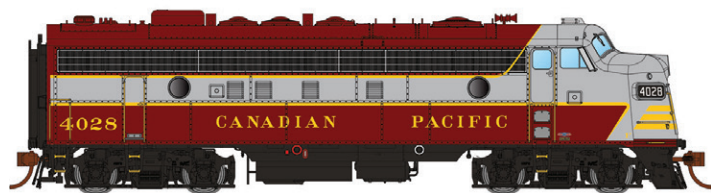
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### The Rapido HO Scale FP7 features:

- Designed from original EMD/GMD blueprints and field measurements
- First ever 100% accurate GMD-built FP7 - This is not a stand-in
- Road-number and era-specific details applied at the factory
- Phase I grilles or Phase II Farr grilles as appropriate
- Steam generator or no steam generator panel as appropriate
- Correct fuel tank, end door, and other unit-specific details
- Unmatched underbody details including air piping

- Operational headlight and user-applied ditch lights (if appropriate)
- Operational numberboards, class lights and backup light (DCC)
- Drive system designed for silky-smooth slow-speed operation
- Metal Macdonald-Cartier Knuckle Couplers
- DC/Silent or DC/DCC/Sound versions featuring an ESU Loksound decoder with accurate recordings
- Several road numbers per paint scheme
- Full cab interior



### FP7 - Canadian Pacific (Block Lettering)

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### FP7 - Canadian Pacific (Script Lettering)

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### FP7 - CP Rail Action Red (5" Stripes)

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### FP7 - CP Rail Action Red (8" Stripes)

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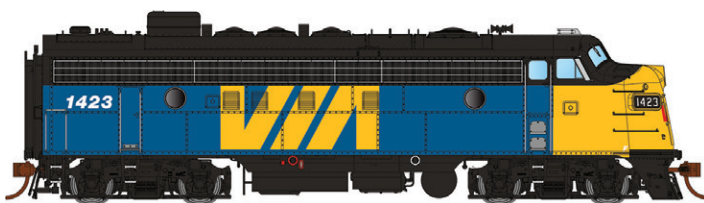
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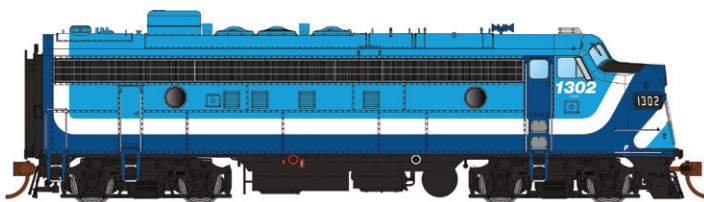
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## FP7 - Ontario Northland (Progressive)

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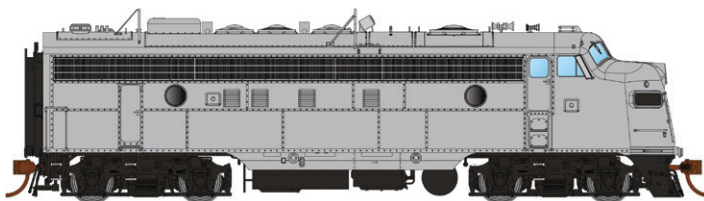
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## FP7 - Ontario Northland (Chevron)

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## FP7 - Undecorated (two versions)

Road #	Item # DC/Silent	Item # DC/DCC/Sound
CP/VIA	222045 <input type="text"/>	222545 <input type="text"/>
ONR	222046 <input type="text"/>	222546 <input type="text"/>

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