



THE ALCO FA-1 AND FB-1



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LIMITED QUANTITIES!**

- THE CLASSIC DEEP BLUE AND BLACK OF THE ICONIC VIRGINIAN & OHIO
- AVAILABLE AS AN FA-1 AND FB-1 SET AND SINGLE FA-1 – PERFECT FOR CREATING AN A-B-A CONSIST!
- INCREDIBLE DETAILS INCLUDE ANGLED NUMBERBOARDS, SILKY-SMOOTH CONTOURS AND MUCH MORE

M S R P	FA-1+FB-1 Set	No Sound: \$449.95 USD	No Sound: \$579.95 CAD	Single FA-1	No Sound: \$249.95 USD	No Sound: \$319.95 CAD
		w/SOUND: \$669.95 USD	w/SOUND: \$869.95 CAD		w/SOUND: \$359.95 USD	w/SOUND: \$469.95 CAD

The Virginian & Ohio's FA-1/FB-1 locomotives capture the railroad at its most iconic—Allen McClelland's 1950s Afton Division, where first-generation diesels, disciplined operations, and the "beyond the basement" philosophy reshaped the entire hobby. Delivered new in the classic deep-blue scheme with the bow-tie herald, these Alcos became signature power on the V&O's early diesel roster.

Rapido's models reproduce this era with precision. The A-B set of FA-1 #232 and FB-1 #233, along with the separately available FA-1 #240, follow the V&O's even/odd numbering logic and provide authentic options for A-B or A-B-A consists. Finished in the railroad's distinctive blue and white, they reflect the clean, as-delivered appearance that defined the V&O before the Appalachian Lines era.

These units were the backbone of early V&O operations—hauling coal, moving bridge-line manifests, and establishing the look and feel that made the railroad legendary. For modelers who appreciate the roots of proto-freelancing or simply want beautifully executed first-generation Alco power, these FA-1/FB-1s bring the formative V&O years to life.

THE ALCO FA-1 AND FB-1 LOCOMOTIVES FEATURE:

- Correct nose and windshield contours
- Angled numberboards
- Dynamic and non-dynamic brake versions
- Etched side and fan screens
- Heavy, die-cast chassis
- 5-pole motor with dual flywheels
- Operating headlights, class lights and back-up lights
- Full underbody piping and conduit
- Separate grab irons and handrails
- Many road-specific details installed or included
- Full, multi-colour interior Suggested minimum radius: 18"
- DC/Silent (21-pin DCC Ready) or DC/DCC/ESU LokSound
- MoPower capacitor system for uninterrupted DCC power



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VIRGINIAN & OHIO



Virginian & Ohio - FA-1+FB-1 Set #232 and 233 (Blue/Black)

Item # (DC/Silent)
37087

Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
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Virginian & Ohio - Single FA-1 #240 (Blue/Black)

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"A RAILROAD LIKE NO OTHER"

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Built for mountain railroading, the FA-1/FB-1 sets quickly became signature power on the V&O. Their 1,500-hp Alco 244 engines, rugged construction, and clean as delivered appearance made them ideal for hauling Appalachian coal drags, moving bridge line manifests, and anchoring the timetable and train order operations that defined the Afton Division. These units were central to the look, sound, and feel of the V&O during its legendary 1957–1960s period—long before the Appalachian Lines era and the arrival of second-generation power.

For modelers who appreciate the roots of proto-freelancing—or simply want beautifully executed first generation Alco power—these V&O FA-1/FB-1 locomotives offer a direct connection to the railroad that changed how we think about model railroading.

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