



### Diesel locomotive Rh 2400 of the Nederlands Spoorwegen

Delicate engravings on the chassis



Picture: Wim Wolters

Realistic colour



Roof design true to the original



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In the 1950s the Dutch federal railway company (Nederlandse Spoorwegen or NS) decided to replace steam locomotives until the year 1958. The diesel electric locomotives of the series 2400 and 2200 are prime examples for this times of change. The locos of the series Rh 2400 were built by the French company Alstom and were based on proven constructions. From 1954, 130 of the 80 km/h fast locomotives of the series 2400 were put into operation. Until 1956, the locomotives were painted in a sky-blue colour. Further locos of the series 2400 received a red-brown paintwork and were equipped with large loco plates at the front and smaller ones on the sides of the cabins. From 1971, the vehicles were painted in the grey and yellow colours of the NS. The locos were mainly used for passenger trains in the northern regions of the country and later in some exceptional cases also for freight train service. Some of the locos were stationed in Eindhoven and Amsterdam Watergraafs as well. The locos could be used for multiple-unit train control, so from 1970 you could often see three coupled locos. Some of the series 2400 locos were taken out of service after accidents or breakdowns and between 1982 and 1991 even locos, that were still operational at the time, were scrapped. Between 1990 and 1992, fifty of the locos went to the SNCF for the construction of highspeed routes. There, they were labelled as series 62400 and 62500.



40420 Diesel Locomotive Rh 2400 NS III

40421 Diesel Locomotive Sound Rh 2400 NS III



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40422 Diesel Locomotive Rh 2400 IV

40423 Diesel Locomotive Sound Rh 2400 IV



Suitable accessories: #46402 PIKO SmartDecoder 4.1 Next18

Amongst other things, the new PIKO construction of the Dutch locomotive of the series 2400 NS is characterized by the delicate engravings on the chassis and the detailed implementation of the bogies. The characteristic railings of the series are precisely etched metal parts. The model is characterized by its excellent driving characteristics due to its strong motor and the heavy die-cast frame and is equipped with LED lighting with red/white light change. The model is prepared for digital operation with a Next18 interface after NEM 662 standards.

The sound locos of the PIKO Rh 2400 are factory-fitted with a modern PIKO SmartDecoder 4.1 Sound Next18 and a strong loudspeaker. These decoder of the newest generation masters the data formats DCC with RailComPlus®, Motorola®, Selectrix® and M4 . Thanks to these technical standards, the models PIKO Rh 2400 NS are all-round highlights on every N-scale layout.