

# Terex AC 200-1

The Terex AC 200-1 was first modelled by NZG nearly 10 years ago, and this latest version has been released with various updates. It is modelled as a five axle crane although the real crane is also manufactured in six axle configuration.

It comes in a smart Terex-branded box with no instructions, but it is almost fully assembled. A neat touch is the pair of cotton gloves provided to prevent finger marks.

The underside of the carrier is purely functional with no detailing, although the metal wheels have good tyres and a different hub design on the front axle. The front and rear pairs of axles steer, while the middle axle is fixed as on the real crane.

The driving cab is reasonably detailed with windscreen wipers, mirrors, and painted headlights. Location points are provided on the carrier body for loading the counterweights during erection, and there are textured surfaces on the top surface and sides. The outriggers are very good with two stage metal outrigger beams which pull out and metal pads which lower with a robust screw mechanism.

The crane superstructure detail is

also good with windscreen wipers on the cab glass, while the cab windows have realistic looking window seals. The cab can also be tilted a little. The counterweight consists of three pieces which are not as accurately configured as the real crane but they look fine when all are attached and in place.

The main boom has seven sections which extend smoothly, while the bi-fold swingaway extension has well-formed latticework and can be pinned easily to the end to the boom nose. All of the sheaves on the crane are metal and roll freely. The metal hook block is very good and in keeping with the size of the crane, however it is too large to be realistic for use on the extension. A separate 'headache' ball would have been a nice addition.

With the two stage extension fitted this is a big model and stands nearly 1.7 metres tall. Some care is needed to set it up, as it can lean sideways a little, a pin can be inserted into the main boom cylinder to prevent the heavy boom bleeding down. The winch is operated using a key and it works well.

The paint finish is high quality and the Terex graphics are surprisingly understated.

It is a very heavy model reflecting the high metal content. This model shows its age a little in terms of details and features but it is still a nice crane.

It is available from the Terex web shop for €132.

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## Cranes Etc Model Rating

Packaging (max 10)	7
Detail (max 30)	24
Features (max 20)	13
Quality (max 25)	16
Price (max 15)	12
Overall (max 100)	72%



On the road



One counterweight plate is permanently fixed



It can stand wheels free on the outriggers



Set up for lifting (the outrigger pads are not included)



The swingaway extension looks good, although it needs a smaller hook block