

Ventura Decals

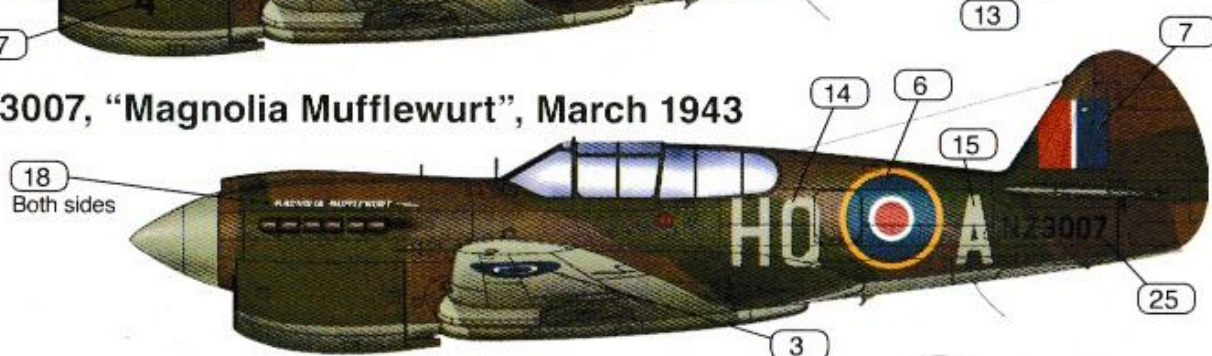
V72103

RNZAF Curtiss P-40E's, Home Based & "Tonga" 1/72nd scale
Umslopogaas, Magnolia Mufflewurt, Ivan Ellovanich,
NZ3034 "JZ-W" and NZ3094 "4"

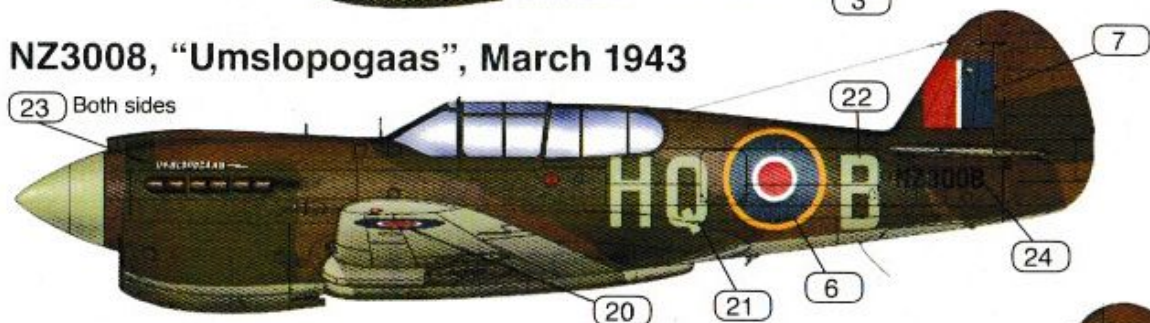
NZ3094, No.15 Squadron, May 1943



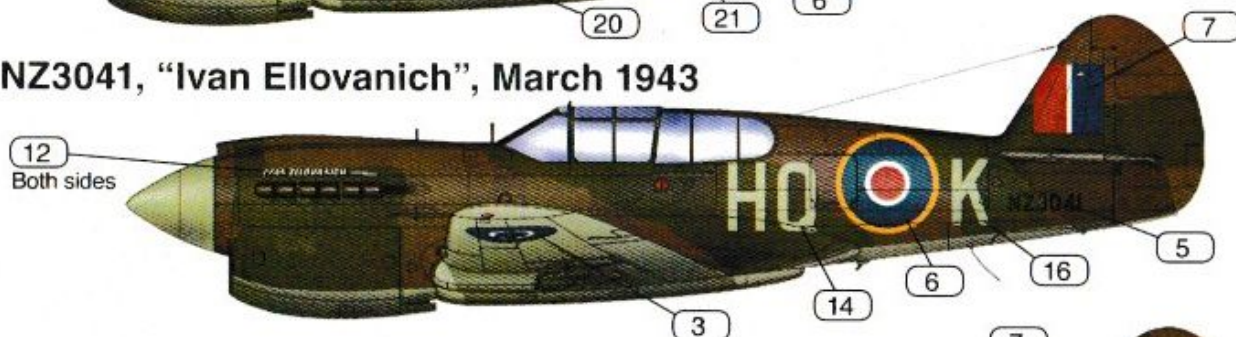
NZ3007, "Magnolia Mufflewurt", March 1943



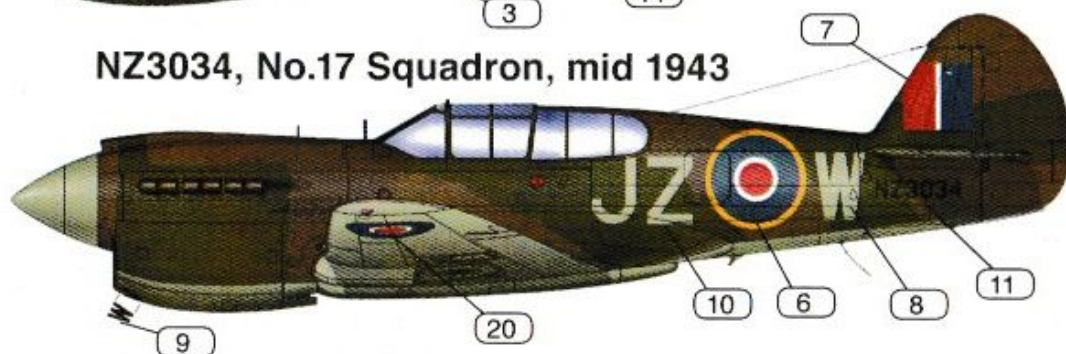
NZ3008, "Umslopogaas", March 1943



NZ3041, "Ivan Ellovanich", March 1943

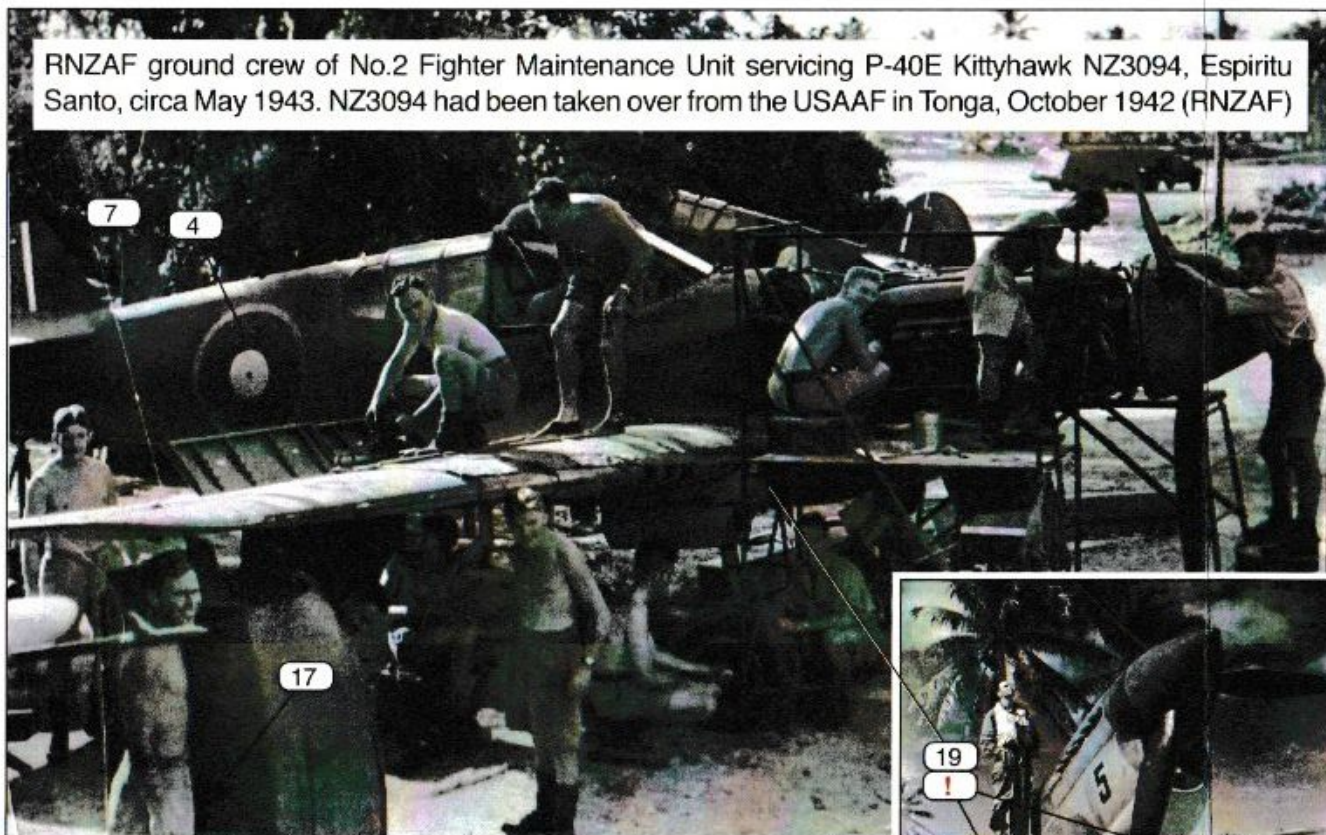


NZ3034, No.17 Squadron, mid 1943



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RNZAF ground crew of No.2 Fighter Maintenance Unit servicing P-40E Kittyhawk NZ3094, Espiritu Santo, circa May 1943. NZ3094 had been taken over from the USAAF in Tonga, October 1942 (RNZAF)



A photo of P-40E NZ3038 based at Ohakea, 1943. Like NZ3034 the individual aircraft code letter is behind the roundel on both sides of the fuselage. (RNZAF)



Ground crew fuel and arm No.17 Squadron P-40E NZ3034 "JZ-W", during air defence training exercises at RNZAF Seagrove. This is prior to 25 July 1943 when NZ3034 was destroyed in an air-to-air collision.

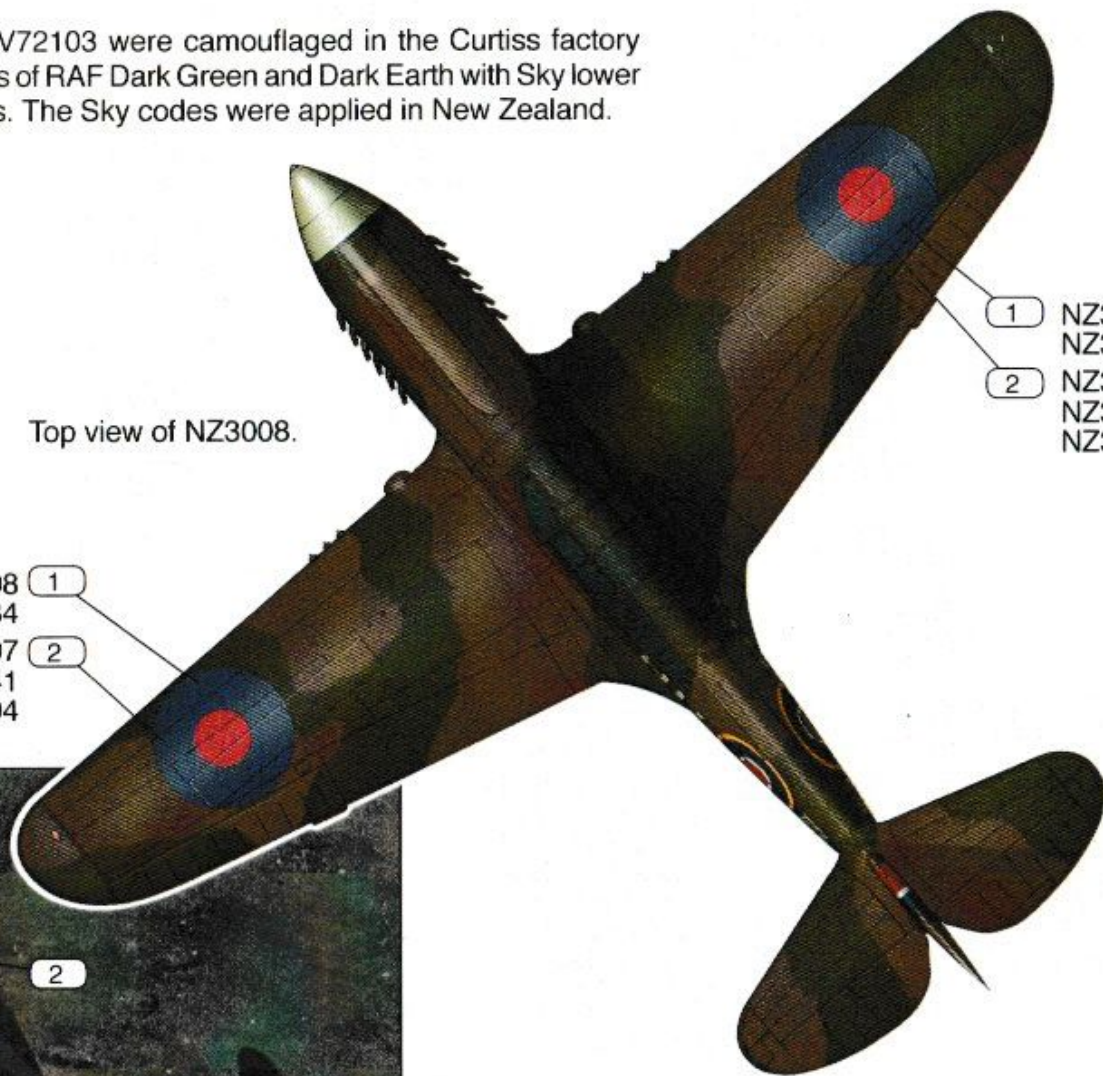
When the RAF in Europe modified it's national markings to reduce the white areas in June 1942, the RNZAF followed the same practice. So these revised national markings have been applied in New Zealand with locally sourced paint. (RNZAF)

All P-40Es on sheet V72103 were camouflaged in the Curtiss factory applied US equivalents of RAF Dark Green and Dark Earth with Sky lower surfaces and spinners. The Sky codes were applied in New Zealand.

Top view of NZ3008.

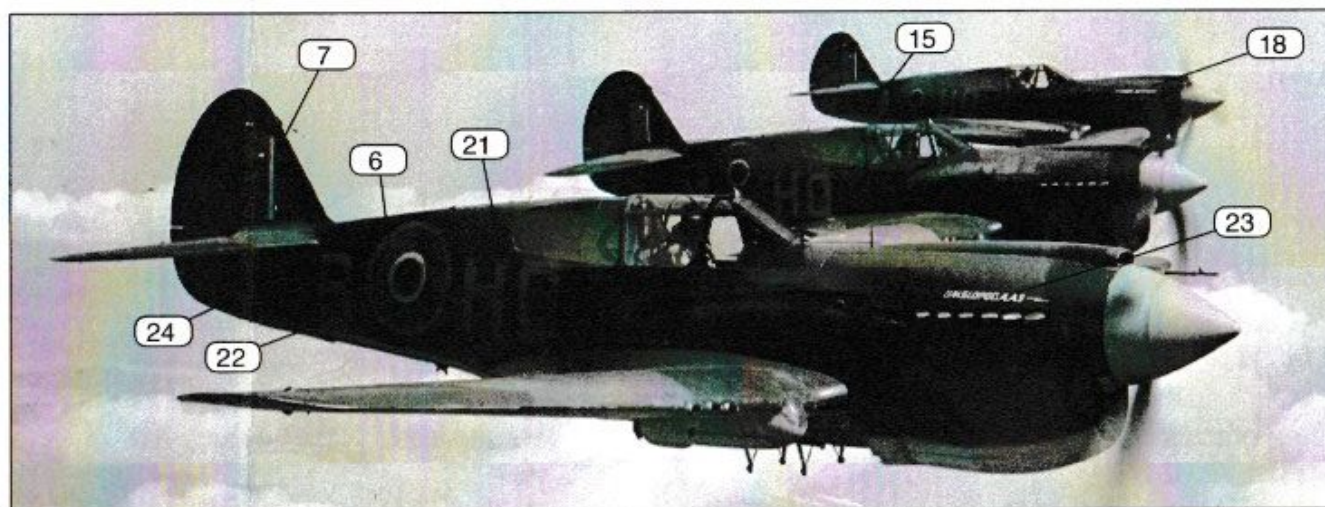
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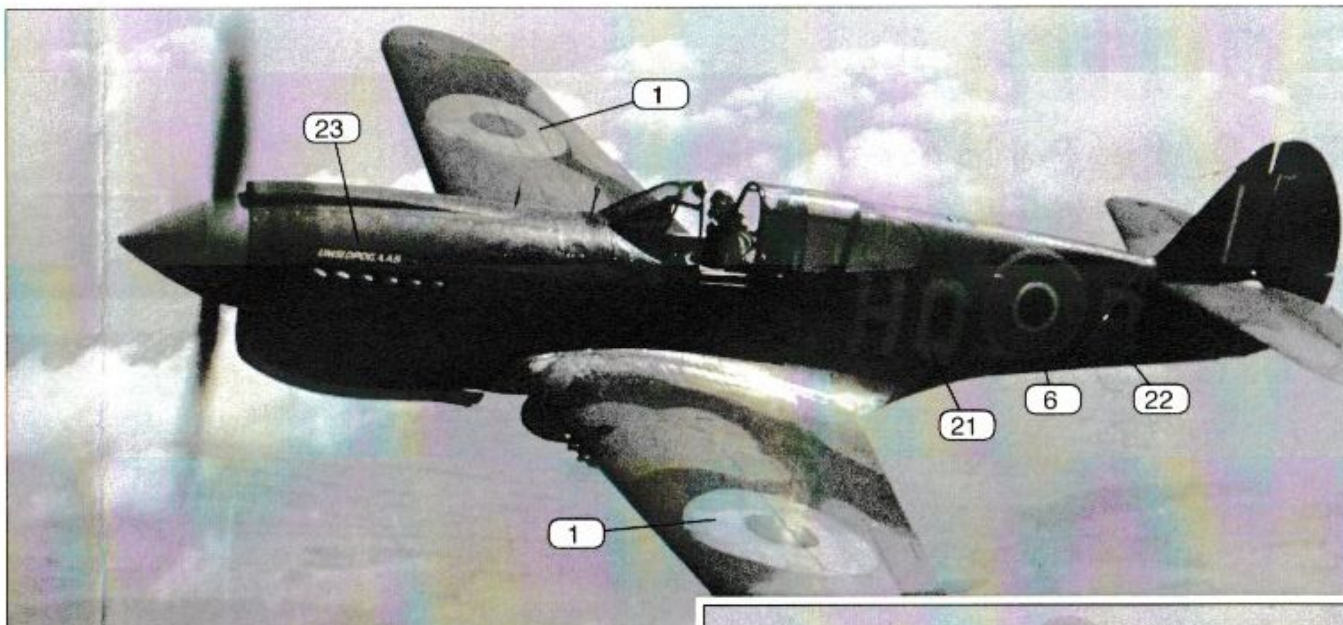
(1) NZ3008
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 (2) NZ3007
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No.14 Squadron Kittyhawk NZ3035 "HQ-Q". NZ3035 has the same camouflage scheme as NZ3007, NZ3041 and NZ3094. (RNZAF)

Below. The starboard side of NZ3008 "Umslopogaas" in March 1943. In the background is NZ3007 "Magnolia Mufflewurt". (RNZAF)

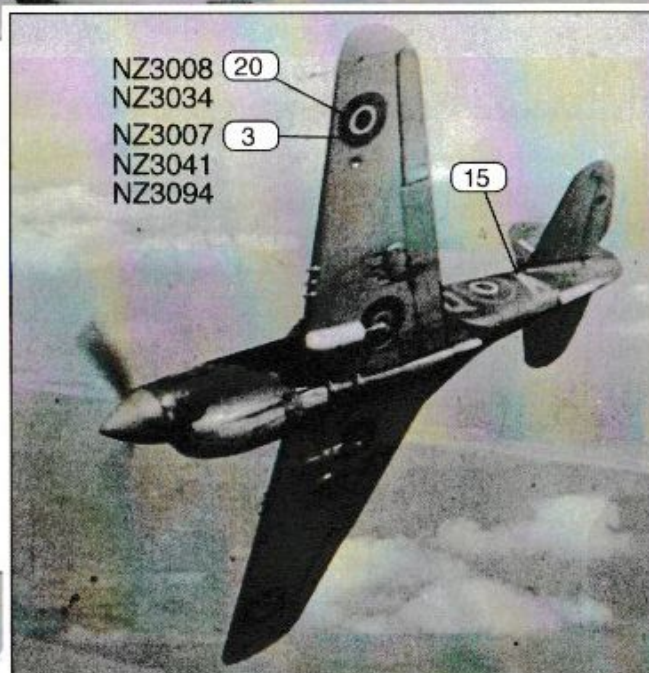




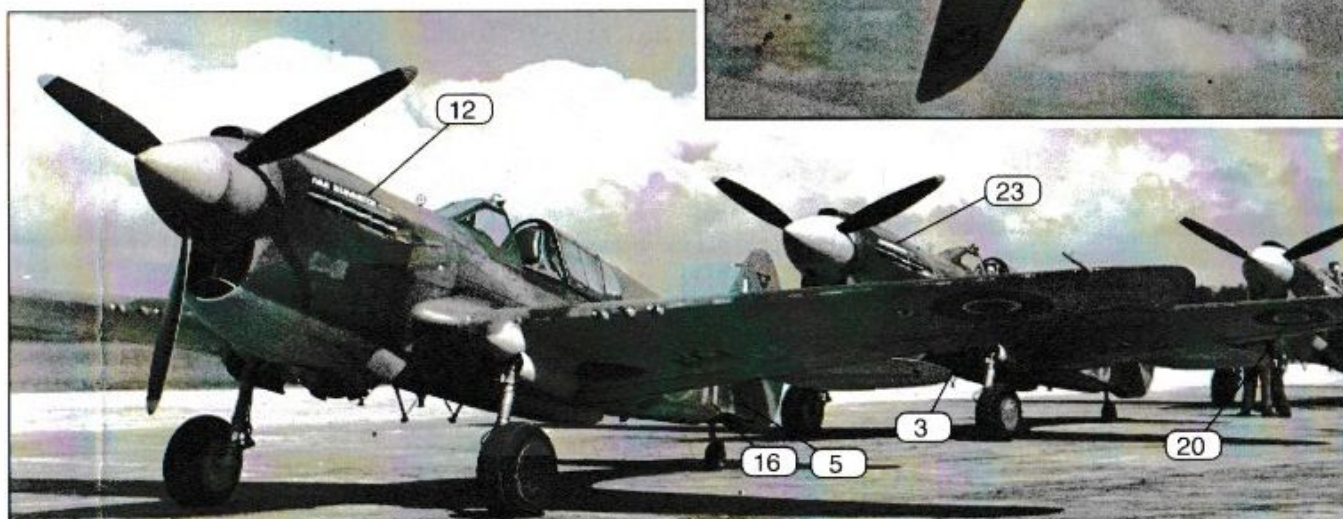
Curtiss P-40E NZ3008. The name on the cowling, UMSLOPOGAAS was a brave warrior in the book "Allan Quartermain" by H. Rider Haggard. (via John Regan)

Air to air view of No.14 Squadron Kittyhawk NZ3007 "HQ-A". Presumed to be flying from RNZAF Station Whenuapai. NZ3007, NZ3041 and NZ3094 had blue-white-blue under wing roundels and they are in the same position of the Blue-white-red ones on NZ3008 and NZ3034.

The hand painted serial numbers on NZ3007, NZ3008, NZ3041 and NZ3094 vary in size with NZ3007 being larger than most. (RNZAF)



NZ3008 (20)
 NZ3034
 NZ3007 (3)
 NZ3041
 NZ3094



No.14 Squadron P-40s lined up at Whenuapai, March 1943. NZ3041 "Ivan Ellovanich" is first in line with NZ3008, "Umslopogaas" second. Note that the serial number NZ3041 is smaller than most. (RNZAF)

Package contains one decal sheet, V72103.

Ventura Decals are printed thinly. Cut out each item and dip in water for a few seconds, then leave to stand on a non absorbent surface. At first the decal will curl up and then flatten out. This indicates it has loosened. Apply carefully to a gloss painted surface and position with a minimum of moving about. We suggest "Micro Set" and "Micro Sol" to aid setting down these decals. **WARNING.** Test them on a decal from this sheet that is not needed for your subject.