



## TEST SESSION

WHAT: HUDY 1:10 TOURING CARRYING BAG



# SAFE-STORE

*Complimenting the RC Tool bag that we reviewed in a previous edition, Hudy produce a matching 1:10 touring carrying bag complete with colourful purple and pink graphics designed to house all of your essential race equipment and which makes moving your equipment to and from the race meetings a complete breeze*

**I**nvariably, there comes a time when you have to move your race equipment around from place to place – be it from the car to the pitting area or even whilst storing everything neatly between race meetings. Hauler bags are in themselves not a new idea and are available in a multitude of different styles and sizes. The Hudy 1:10 Touring Carrying Bag featured here is a medium to large-sized one – large enough to house the majority of any club racers kit, yet small enough to be transportable without the need for wheels or a telescopic handle.

From the outside, the Hudy bag is very attractively styled and is finished in heavy-duty nylon with large printed logos and graphics. If the Hudy logos are not to your liking, then the same bag is available branded as Xray as an alternative. Each side of the bag is padded to help protect the innards and both of the larger sides feature zipped pockets that can house a set-up board or other large/slim pieces of equipment.

The top face is also zippered and reveals a tool tray complete with elasticated loops to hold a variety of tools. A nice touch is that the tool

holder is in fact a lift out tray, held in place with Velcro and it can be quickly removed and placed onto a pit table for convenience once at the racetrack.

### **FOUR INTO ONE GOES!**

Unzipping the end of the bag reveals four corrugated plastic boxes that are both water resistant and highly durable. One deep box is intended to house either a 1:10 touring car or larger items such as your transmitter, whilst the other three are deep enough to house chargers, spares, set-up tools and virtually everything else you can think of, resulting in one

carry-all bag containing everything that is ever likely to be needed at a normal club race meeting. We applaud the use of corrugated nylon as it is both lightweight yet durable and should withstand the test of time. If we have one minor criticism however, it is that it would be perfect if each box had provision (a plastic wallet) to affix a label thus helping to identify the contents of each one without the need for removal from the bag and opening.

### **IN USE**

Incredibly, our tester found that the



A zipped section at the top is easily accessed and ideal for tool storage



To stop individual tools from rattling around during transportation, there are elasticated straps on the removable tool section



Four durable corrugated plastic boxes slide inside

1:10 touring carrying bag swallowed his entire normal club racing gear with space remaining to spare! The larger box happily housed his RC transmitter and car stand, with all of his batteries and charging equipment swallowed up by one of the smaller boxes – leaving two further boxes to house lesser used tools and spares. The Hudy tool bag (reviewed in Racer's February 2010 issue) housed all of his popular tools and slid neatly into one of the large side pockets enabling easy and immediate access once his pit table was set up. In practice, the large plastic boxes are most easily accessed by tipping the bag onto its end so that the boxes can be pulled out vertically. Although you can easily access them whilst the bag is in its normal orientation,

the forces of gravity can make individual box removal more difficult when trying to access the lower ones. One tip we do have is for heavy items (batteries, chargers, etc) to be housed in the lowest plastic box as this helps keep the centre of weight low and does not place too much additional strain on the other boxes.

Even when fully loaded, the bag remained light enough to be carried comfortably and it could be easily fitted into the luggage compartment of our tester's car without the need to remove the parcel shelf cover – thus enabling all of his equipment to remain safely out of view during transport. ■



The Hudy bag is a sensible size for racers in all classes and will fit easily into the majority of car boots

## VERDICT

- ⊕ Large enough to hold all equipment for a club race, light enough to carry / Fits under parcel shelf of car (check dimensions to be sure first)
- ⊖ No proper provision for labelling the inner boxes

## SPECIFICATION

- 199100 Hudy 1:10 Touring Carrying Bag (inc Tool Bag) – Exclusive £114.99
- 397232 Xray 1:10 Touring Carrying Bag – Exclusive Edition £107.99

## SUMMARY

Having all of your race equipment safely housed and stored between meetings and being able to transport it all effectively from the car to the pitting area is something that club racers often struggle to combine. We found the Hudy bag to be the perfect size for a club racer, enabling us to walk from the car and into the race hall with only one bag in our hands and our car in the other. A little more compacting of our 'essentials' would see the car easily fitting in the bag as well – leaving the other hand free to open the doors, etc. Though the cost is not insignificant, the Hudy 1:10 Touring Carrying Bag is a worthwhile investment that should, if looked after correctly, last for years to come.

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