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## FACTS & STORY

Magirus-Faun F24 LF8 (Germany, 1964)

EMERGENCY VEHICLES

Scale 1/43

#12000

available

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Limited edition 333 Sets



## The right Guy for the Job

In 1957 the factory of Faun put a small truck called the F24 on the market. First it was bought by small traders, then at the beginning of 1960 the gear specialist "Magirus" (Klöckner-Humboldt-Deutz (KHD)) from Ulm was showing interest as he saw an ideal basis for the reconstruction of a fire department truck.

In the Ulm factory a closed platform body was especially chosen, where all necessary equipment for firefighting and also a nine-man-team found sufficient space. The Magirus factory in Ulm was supplied with the complete chassis by the company Mayer in Augsburg, company Wendler in Reutlingen, or the company Ottenbacher in Biberach. Creativity of the Ulm company Magirus was needed to accommodate all necessary equipment. Their biggest stroke of genius was undoubtedly the integration of the fire pump into the vehicle front without any change to the body design. With the right trick, they found an excellent solution;

they cut out the middle part of the front and equipped it with a two-part flap. On one hand one part could be turned up and on the other hand the second part, which was integrated into part of the bumper and could be swung down. This paved the way for the use of the equipped fire-fighting centrifugal pumps called FP 8/8 from Magirus. It was possible to extinguish local fires and also to fix other rescue missions without any additional efforts with the small Faun-Magirus.

In the course of the 1960s, 229 firefighting group vehicles were built in total by the Magirus factory in Ulm on the basis of the Faun F24 in cooperation with Faun and Magirus. Many of them still existed up to a few years ago, and they truly fulfilled their service in fire protection.

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