



## Hess Launches Miniature Toy Space Shuttle

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### ***2009 Hess Mini Toy Truck Goes On Sale; An Out-Of-This-World Value***

NEW YORK (May 21, 2009) – A miniature space shuttle and accompanying tractor trailer transport are blasting off as part of Hess Corporation's collectible Miniature Truck series.

Each year, the Miniature Truck series pays tribute to a popular Hess holiday Toy Truck from the past, packing craftsmanship and detail into a pair of small-scale vehicles. This year's edition is based on the popular 1999 Hess Holiday Toy Truck and Space Shuttle, and features:

- A sleek space shuttle with working lights and rolling wheels for smooth landings.
- An 18-wheeler tractor trailer transport with working headlights, taillights and accent lights, and a trailer bed that serves as the shuttle's landing pad.
- A display stand where both vehicles can dock.

The 2009 Hess Miniature Space Shuttle Transport is on sale starting Friday, May 22 at participating Hess and Hess Express retail stores for \$6.99 plus tax, while supplies last – Energizer® batteries are included.

"This year's Mini Truck has something for everyone," said Rick Lawlor, Vice President, Retail Marketing, Hess Corporation. "Kids will love all the fun features on both vehicles, parents will appreciate the quality and durability, and collectors will recognize the attention to detail and value that they've come to expect from Hess."

The Hess Toy Truck, launched in 1964, is one of the longest running toy brands on the market. As in past years, the truck will be sold exclusively at participating Hess retail stations and stores while supplies last. For a complete list of Hess Toy Trucks through the years or to find a Hess location near you, please visit: [www.hesstoytruck.com](http://www.hesstoytruck.com).

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