Removing the shell from the HO U23B

First remove your couplers and then remove the hand rails from the cab only. There are six tabs on the bottom of the shell that have to go inward by pushing on the shell (two in the front, two in the middle and two in the rear on each side).

Put one hand on the bottom and with the other hand grab the shell using your thumb on one side and your pointer finger on the other side. Then at the rear of the shell, push inward so that the shell tabs clear the frame tabs. Be careful where you put your hands so you don't break the handrails. Do this for the center and front. Sometimes doing the rear will make the other tabs clear the frame tabs, but not always.

If the tabs don't clear the frame tabs, turn your engine upside down. Remove the fuel tank (two pieces - they just pull apart down the middle). You will see the tabs in the front, middle and rear. Use a small screw driver to push the tabs (just a little) inward away from the frame but don't let the screw driver go too far up or you will damage the shell. Do this to all six tabs so they clear the frame tabs (be careful).

When you put the shell back on make sure the shell goes on the correct way. Watch the handrails near the cab so they don't break. The shell tabs must go over the frame tabs. Do not simply push the shell down, the tabs will break. Make sure the tabs are pushed inward a little on the shell with your hand like you did when removing shell. You may have to use a small screw driver to clear the shell tabs so they go over the frame tabs (be careful).