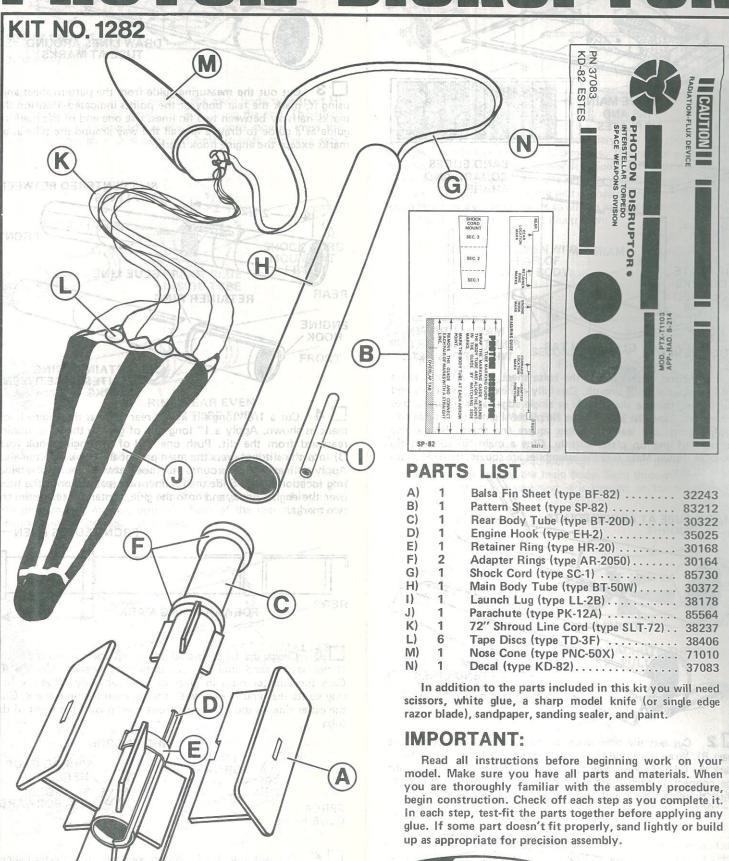
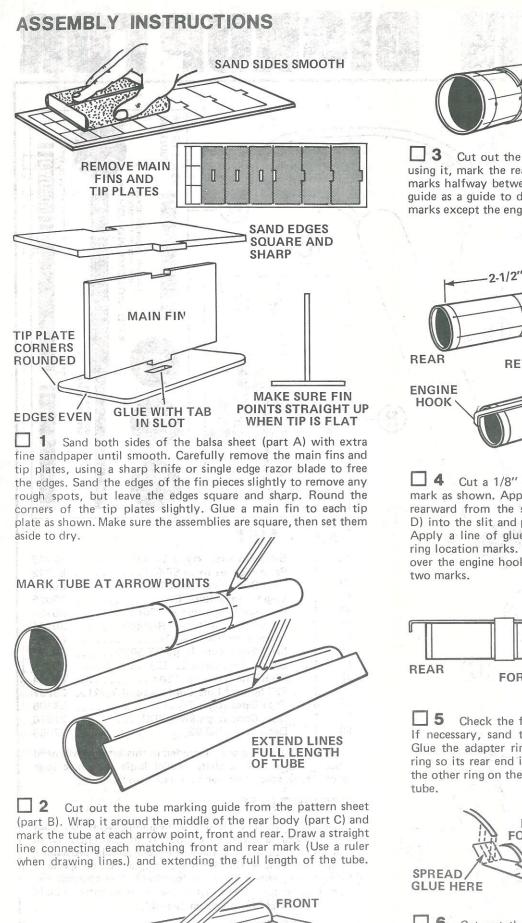
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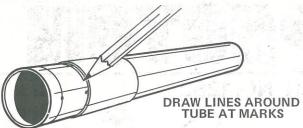


MEASURING GUIDE

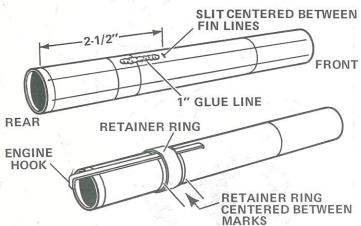
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ALONG LENGTH

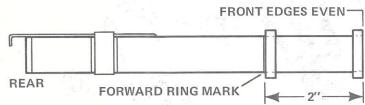
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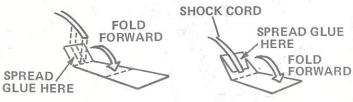
3 Cut out the measuring guide from the pattern sheet and, using it, mark the rear body at the points indicated. Position the marks halfway between two fin lines. Use one end of the marking guide as a guide to draw a line all the way around the tube at all marks except the engine hook mark.



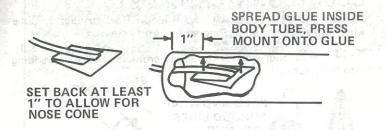
4 Cut a 1/8" long slit in the rear body at the engine hook mark as shown. Apply a 1" long line of glue to the tube running rearward from the slit. Push one end of the engine hook (part D) into the slit and press the main part of the hook into the glue. Apply a line of glue around the tube between the two retainer ring location marks. Slide the retainer ring (part E) onto the tube, over the engine hook, and onto the glue, centering it between the two marks.



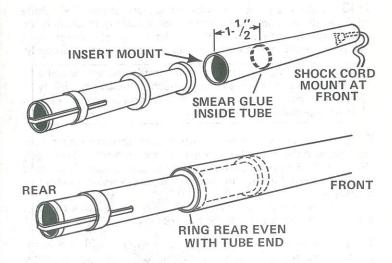
5 Check the fit of the adapter rings (part F) on the body. If necessary, sand their insides until they make a smooth fit. Glue the adapter rings in place on the rear body. Glue the first ring so its rear end is even with the forward location mark. Glue the other ring on the tube so its front is even with the front of the tube.



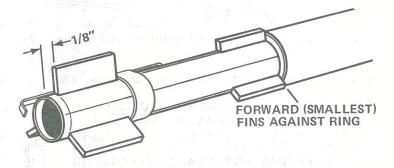
Crease it on the dotted lines by folding. Spread glue on the first section (1) and lay the end of the shock cord (part G) into the glue. Fold over and apply glue to the back of the first section and the exposed part of section 2. Clamp the unit together with your fingers until the glue sets.



Apply glue to the inside of the main body tube (part H) at one end over an area about 1" to 2" from the end. The glued area should be the same size as the shock cord mount. Press the mount into the glue as shown and hold it until the glue sets.

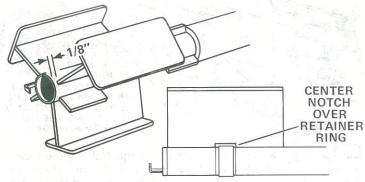


Glue the rear body to the main body (at the end opposite the shock cord mount). Smear glue around the inside of the main body to cover an area about 1-1/2" to 2" from the end of the tube. Immediately insert the rear body assembly, pushing it in with one smooth motion until the back of the rear ring is even with the end of the body as shown.

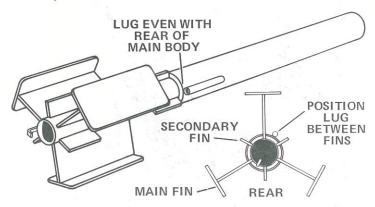


Garefully remove the secondary fins from the balsa sheet. Sand their edges square and smooth. Glue the secondary fins to the rear body, positioning them <u>next to</u> alternate (every other) alignment lines. The smaller fins are glued to the tube even with the adapter ring; the larger ones are positioned with their rear ends on the rear location mark. Smaller fins should be next to the same alignment lines as the larger secondary fins.

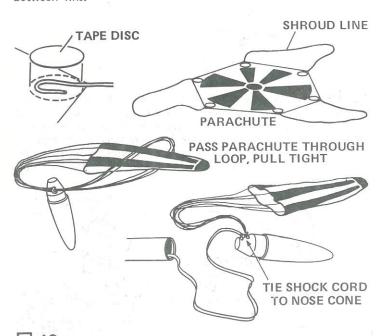
Construction Hint: When gluing fins on the body, first apply a line of glue to the root edge (the edge that attaches to the body). Let this glue set a moment, then rub it into the wood with your finger. Do this to all the fins. Then apply another line of glue to a fin, hold it a moment, and press it firmly into place on the body, using the lines to make sure the fin is straight.



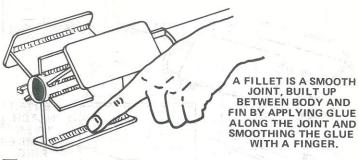
10 When the glue on the secondary fins has dried a few minutes, attach the main fin assemblies. The rear of each main fin should be even with the rear location mark, with the notch approximately centered over the retainer ring. Be careful to position the main fins to the same side of their alignment lines as the secondary fins were from theirs so all fins are spaced evenly around the body as shown in the next illustration.



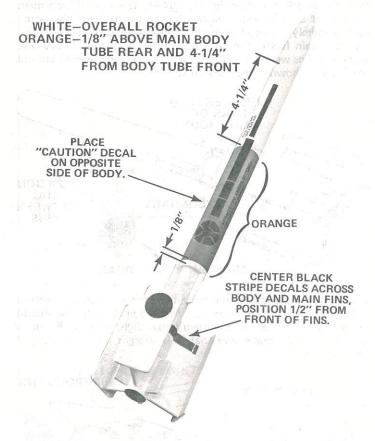
11 Glue the launch lug (part I) to the main body, centered between a main fin and a secondary fin. The rear of the lug should be even with the rear of the main body. Sight through the lug as you position it; make sure that it is straight on the body and between fins.



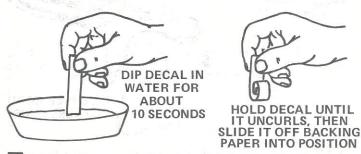
three 24" lengths of shroud line (part K). Attach line ends to the top of the parachute with tape discs (part L) as shown. Pass the shroud line loops through the ring on the nose cone (part M). Pass the parachute through the loop ends and draw the lines tight against the ring. Set the knot with a drop of glue. Tie the free end of the shock cord to the nose cone.



13 Apply a glue fillet to each fin joint. Holding the rocket horizontally (level), apply a line of glue to both sides of each fin joint. Smooth out the glue with your finger. Keep the rocket level until the glue dries.



14 When all glue on the outside of the model is dry, prepare the balsa parts for painting. Apply at least two coats of sanding sealer to the fins. Let dry and sand lightly between coats. Do this until the tiny holes in the wood are filled and everything looks and feels smooth. Paint the entire model white. When the white is completely dry, apply the orange band shown in the above photo.

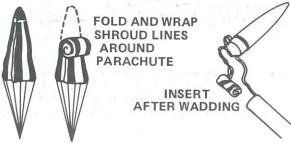


15 When all paint is dry, apply decals (part N) as shown in the photo. Cut out a decal section, dip it in lukewarm water for 20 seconds, and hold it until it uncurls. Slip the decal off the backing sheet and onto the model. Blot excess water away. For best results, let the model dry overnight and apply a coat of clear spray to protect the decals.

COUNTDOWN CHECKLIST

Be sure to follow the HIAA - NAR Model Rocketry Safety Code when carrying out all your model rocketry activities.

T-14 Pack four squares of loosely crumpled recovery wadding into body tube.



T-13 Fold the parachute into a triangular shape. Foll 'chute tightly as shown and wrap shroud lines around it. If 'chute is too large, unroll it and repack until it slides easily into rocket. A fit that is too tight may prevent parachute from ejecting properly.

NOTE: DO NOT pack parachute until you are actually ready to launch. For maximum parachute reliability, lightly dust the 'chute with ordinary talcum powder before each flight, especially in cold weather.

T-12 Pack shock cord neatly into rocket, then slide nose cone into place. Nose cone should separate easily from rocket body tube, but should not be extremely loose. If it is too tight, sand inside of body tube end and shoulder of nose cone with extra fine sandpaper.

If nose cone is too loose add a wrapping of transparent tape or masking tape to the shoulder of the nose cone.

T-11 Select an engine and install an igniter as directed in the engine instructions. Engines recommended for use with this rocket are the ½A6-2, A8-3, B4-4, B6-4, and C6-5 made by Estes.

Use an A8-3 engine for your first flight.

MASKING
TAPE

- T-10 Insert engine into rocket. Engine hook must latch securely over end of engine.
- T-9 Disarm the launch panel---remove safety key.
- T-8 Place rocket on launch pad, LAUNCH making sure rocket slides freely on launch rod. Clean the micro-clips and attach them to the igniter.



T-7 Clear the launch area, alert recovery crew and trackers. Check for low flying aircraft and unauthorized persons in the recovery area.

T-6 Arm the launch panel---insert safety key.

5 4 3 2 1 LAUNCH!!

MISFIRE PROCEDURE

Occasionally the igniter will heat and burn in two without igniting the engine. This is almost always caused by a failure to install it correctly. Disarm the launch panel, remove the model, clean the igniter residue from the nozzle, and install a new igniter. Follow the launching procedure again.

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