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FLYING MODEL ROCKET KIT INSTRUCTIONS

KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.



ASSEMBLY TIP:

Read all instructions before beginning work on your model. Make sure you have all parts and supplies.

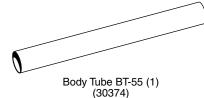
TEST-FIT ALL PARTS TOGETHER BEFORE APPLYING ANY GLUE!

If any parts don't fit properly, sand as required for precision assembly.

PARTS:

Locate the parts shown below and lay them out on the table in front of you. DO NOT USE THIS DRAWING TO ASSEMBLE YOUR ROCKET.









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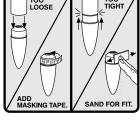
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MATCH LINES

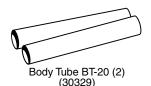
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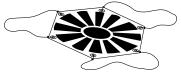
Plastic Tail Cone and Adapter (1) (60568)



()Mylar Retainer Ring (1) (30168)







Assembled 12" (30 cm) Parachute (35801)



Yellow Spacer Tool (1)

(35003)

Centering Ring Card (1) (30126)



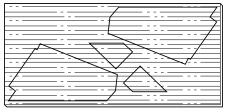
Green Engine Block (1) (30162-2)



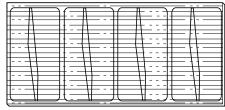
Shock Cord (1) Engine Hook (1) 1/8" x 18" (35021)(38374)



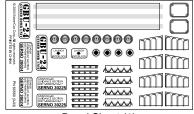
Operation Enduring Freedom sticker (1) (60586)



Die Cut Balsa Sheet (2) (32218)



Die Cut Balsa Sheet (1) (32219)



Decal Sheet (1) (60569)

In addition to the parts included in the kit you will also need:



























FINE SAND PAPER RULER (#400-600 GRIT)

CARPENTER'S MODELING
GLUE KNIFE

MASKING TAPE

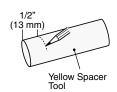
SPRAY PAINT: WHITE, OLIVE DRAB, RED PRIMER

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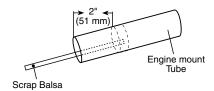
RAZOR SAW SILVER PAINT

1. ASSEMBLING ENGINE MOUNT

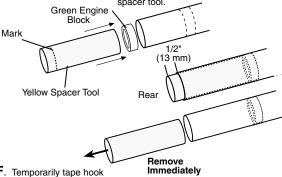
A. Measure and mark Yellow Spacer Tool.



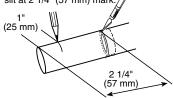
B. Use scrap balsa to smear glue 2" (51 mm) inside engine mount tube.



C. Push engine block into BT-20 engine mount tube with spacer tool up to mark. Remove spacer tool.



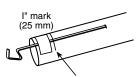
D. Mark engine mount tube at 1" (25 mm) and 2 1/4" (57 mm) from rear end. Cut 1/8" (3 mm) slit at 2 1/4" (57 mm) mark.//



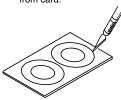
E. Position Engine Hook.



Temporarily tape hook into place.



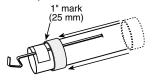
G. Carefully remove rings from card.



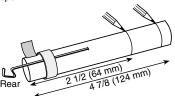
H. Apply glue above the 1" (25 mm) line.



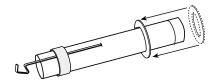
I. Slide mylar retainer ring onto engine mount tube up to 1" (25 mm) mark. Let



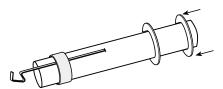
J. Place a pencil mark at 2 1/2" (64 mm) and 4 7/8 (124 mm) from end of engine mount. Remove tape.



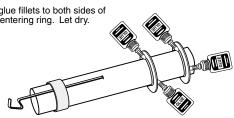
K. Slide a centering ring down to the 2 1/2" (64 mm) mark.



L. Slide a centering ring down to the 4 7/8" (124 mm) mark.



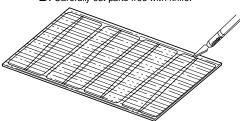
M. Apply glue fillets to both sides of each centering ring. Let dry.



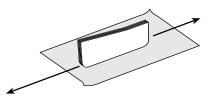
2. PREPARING FINS



B. Carefully cut parts free with knife.

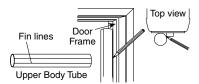


C. Stack like pieces and sand edges smooth. Leave the edges square, do not round them.

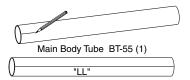


3. MARKING BODY TUBES

- A. Cut out tube marking guide.
- **B.** Wrap tube marking guide around upper body and mark four places.
 - BT-20 Upper Body Tube
- C. Extend all lines entire length of tube.



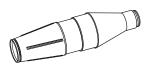
D. Place a pencil mark on the larger tube for launch lug "LL".

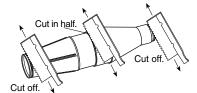


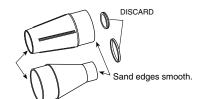
Extend Launch Lug line with pencil.

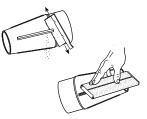
4. PREPARE TAIL CONE AND ADAPTER

- A. Tail Cone and Adapter
- **B**. Using a razor saw, carefully cut off ends and cut in half.
- C. Sand edges smooth.
- **D**. Carefully saw off nibs. Sand away excess plastic lip flush with surface.



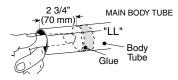






5. ASSEMBLING ENGINE MOUNT AND TAIL CONE

A. Use finger to smear glue 2 3/4" (70 mm) inside rear of body tube.



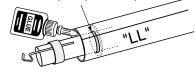
DO NOT CEMENT TAIL CONE YET!



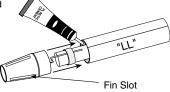
B. Engine hook must line up with launch lug "LL" line.

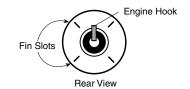
C. Insert engine mount inside body tube and push into place with tail cone. Remove tail cone immediately. Let dry.

D. Apply a glue fillet around ring and body tube joint. Let dry.



E. Apply plastic cement around inside of body tube. Align Launch Lug line between fin slots on tail cone. Push tail cone into body completely. Let dry.



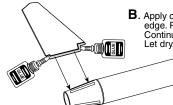


6. ASSEMBLING LOWER FINS



A. Test fit fin tabs in slots. Sand as needed for proper fit.

NOTE: Fin shape and tab location.



B. Apply carpenter's glue to fin and tab edge. Push fin into tail cone. Let dry. Continue to assemble remaining fins. Let dry.

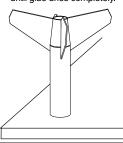


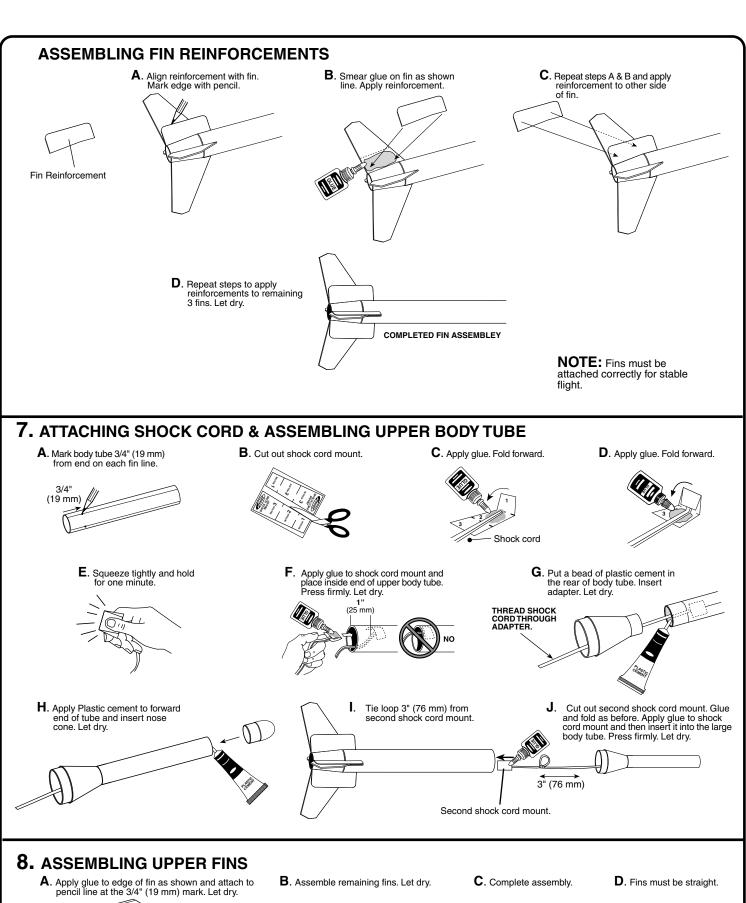
C. Check alignment of fins as shown. Allow glue to set.

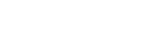


Fins should project straight from the body.

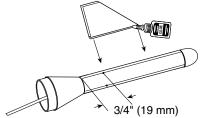
D. Stand rocket on flat table until glue dries completely.

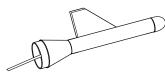




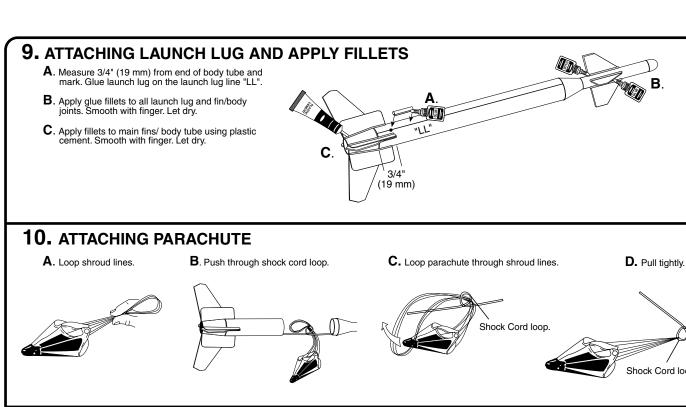


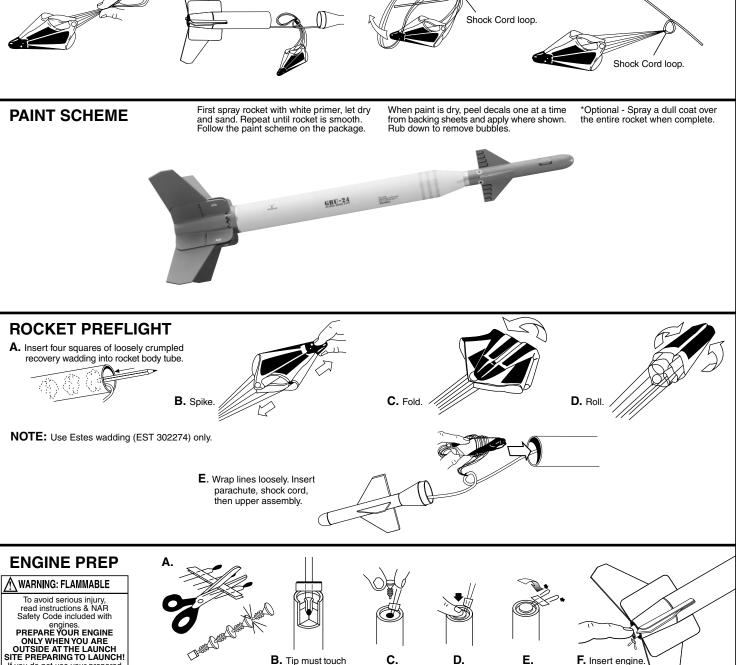












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B. Tip must touch

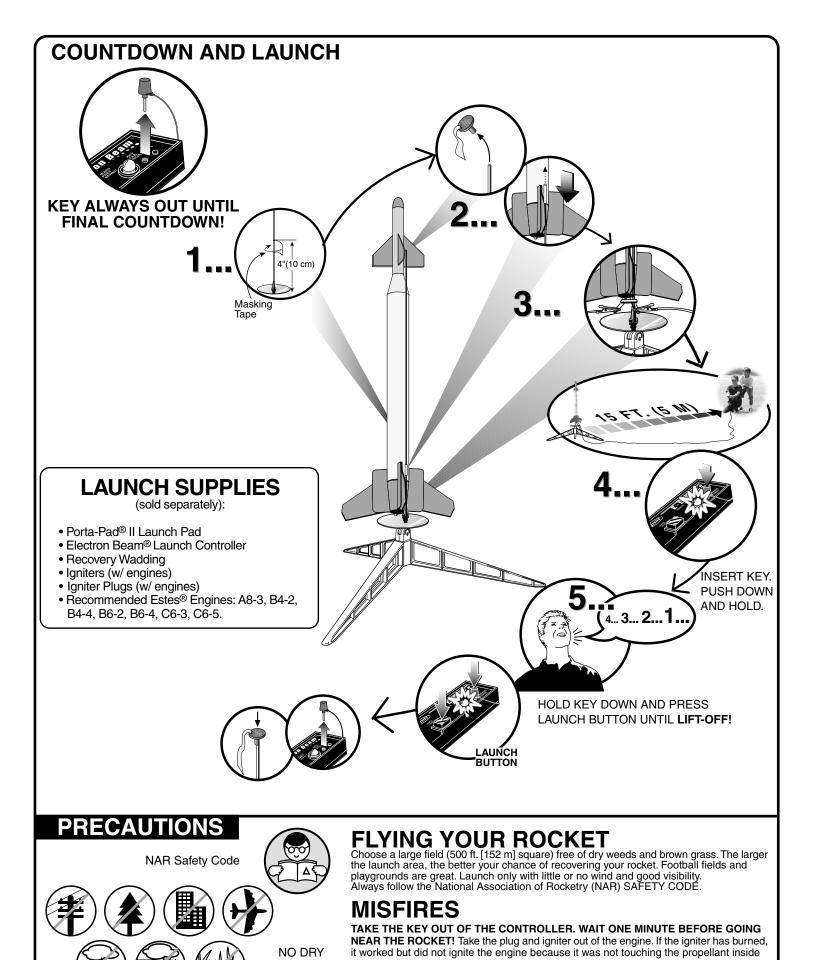
propellant

If you do not use your prepared engine, remove the igniter before storing your engine.

D.

E.

F. Insert engine



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OR WEEDS

the engine. Put a new igniter all the way inside the engine without bending it. Push the

plug in place. Repeat the steps under Countdown and Launch.