

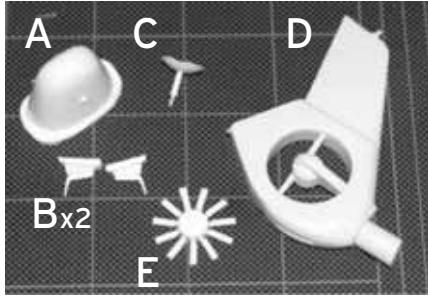


Fireball Modelworks

Part # FMR-003 1/48 HH-65C Dolphin Tail Fin and Radome Set

This set is designed to update the 1/48 Trumpeter HH-65A to HH-65C appearance. It can also be used to correct the Trumpeter kit to more accurately represent the earlier versions.

Contents:



- A: Nose Radome
- B: Pitot Tube x 2
- C: Rotor Hub Cap (direct replacement for kit part B29)
- D: Tail Fin and Fan Shroud
- E: Tail Rotor Fan

Part Preparation: For part A, saw off the base with a razor saw. For part B, carefully separate the part from the base it will easily come off. For part D, do not cut the cylinder off the front! This is used to securely mount the part to the fuselage. You will probably have to trim it to make a tight fit. Parts C and E will need some minor cleanup of their edges.

Important Note: The kit instructions recommend adding 3g of weight to the recess in part A8. **ADD MORE!!** Else, the weight of the resin tail will make the model sit on its tail. I cannot recommend an exact amount, but 15g should be sufficient. Check your model!

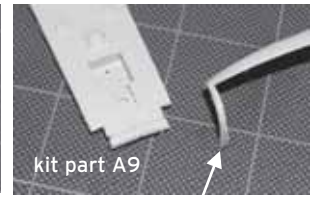
Kit Preparation: This set requires two major cuts to the fuselage. These cuts are best done with a razor saw and a miter box to get true 90° cuts. The white lines show the cut lines. At the tail, cut against the joint between the driveshaft and the tail section. This will leave enough plastic at the end of the fuselage to sand it back for a tight fit to the new tail. At the front of the fuselage, cut off the nose just in front of the lip where the clear parts fit into the fuselage. Leave 1mm of the kit part's nose to support the lip for the clear parts. Also cut kit part A9 flush with the fuselage halves.



Before Cuts



After Cuts



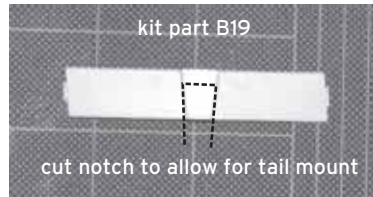
kit part A9

Leave 1mm of kit nose

To fit the resin tail, thin the plastic inside the opening at the end of the fuselage to fit the mounting stub on the resin tail. Also cut a notch in the tail plane, kit part B19, to allow for the mount. When the fuselage halves and tail plane are joined together, the new tail simply slips into the end of the fuselage. The resin nose attaches to the flat opening at the front of the fuselage.



Thin down the plastic on both sides to allow the tail mount to fit snugly.



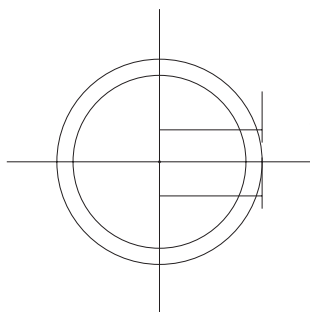
kit part B19

cut notch to allow for tail mount



New tail and new nose fitted

Attach the pitot tubes to the raised rectangles on each side of the resin nose. Attach the tail fan to the gearbox in the center of the fan shroud.



13.58 mm

0.53"

Tail fan shroud paint mask template
Transfer this circle to frisket film to make painting the white inner portion of the shroud a little easier!