

Bowaters Models – BMGW Series Instructions SR 15/25 Ton Brake Van



Requires

- Slaters Plasticard 1:32 Wagon Wheels
- Walshall Engineering 3 Link Couplings

Required Tools

- Fine Sandpaper/Emery paper or boards
- Small Files
- PVA Glue
- Super Glue
- Sharp Craft Knife

Prototype Information

These and similar brake vans were used around the United Kingdom for a wide range of applications. The examples designed cover just two of the many versions that operated in the south of England.

About the Kit

The kit is a wooden kit comprising of a set of laser cut wooden parts and 3D printed sections.

Chassis Fitting

This kit is designed for the Bowaters Models Brake Van Chassis. This is assembled as per the instructions.

Couplings

This kit is designed to make use of Walshall Engineering 3 Link Couplings which are to be mounted in the prototypical location.

Instruction notes

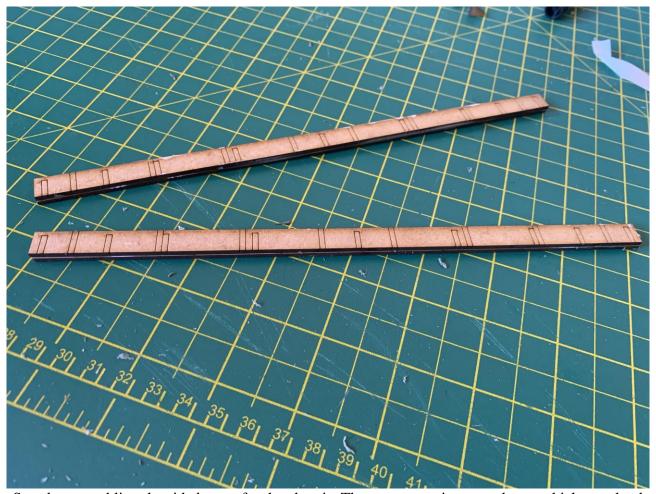
With these instructions, there are images which show various stages of the construction of one of the kits. They are of the Test build for BMGB-003 and BMGB-005 which isn't representative of the kit you have brought. They are for reference purposes only. Other images are used from existing kits that share a similar construction with the shown kits.

Painting

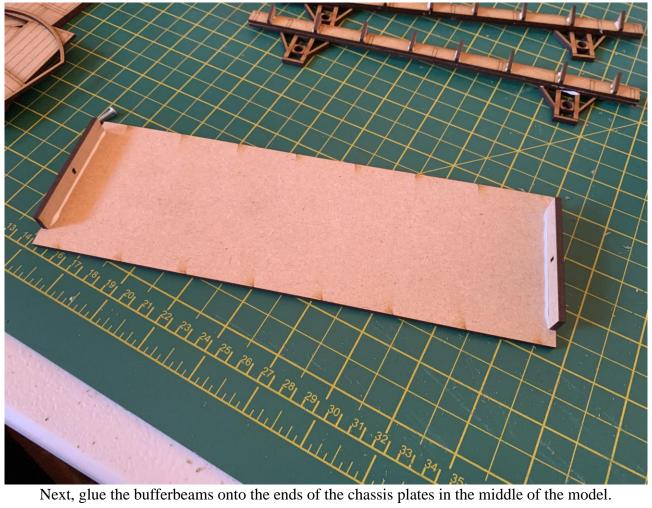
For painting, it is recommended you refer to prototype images to ensure the models are in the condition that you model (Grouping or Nationalisation).

Please Turn over

Please read though these instructions before beginning to assemble your kit



Start by assembling the side beams for the chassis. There are two pieces per beam which are glued back to back with the etched detailing on the outsides. Each side is different to the other.

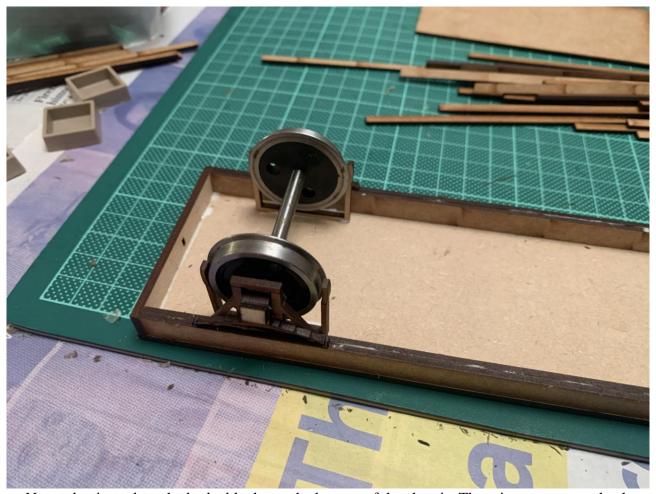




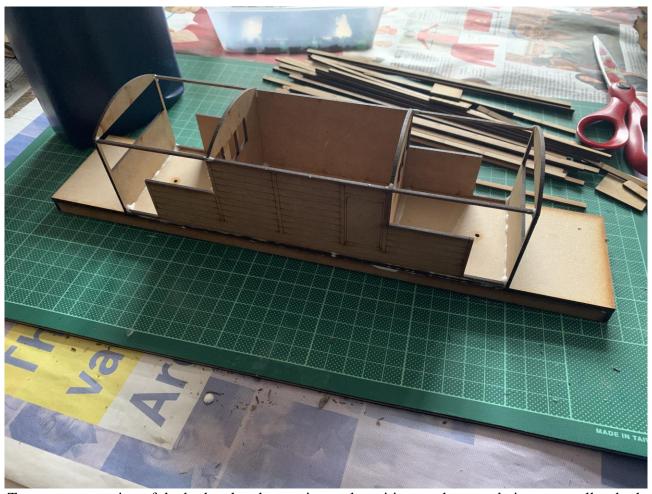
Then glue the chassis sides in place while inserting the wheelsets at the same time. This will produce a rolling chassis in a single step.



Next step is to glue on the spring detail and axlebox covers. This sits on the outside of the axleboxes.



Next, glue into place the brake blocks on the bottom of the chassis. There is one set per wheel.



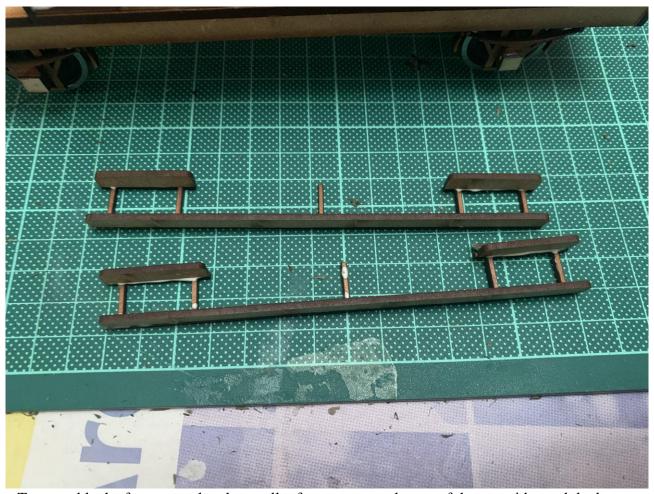
To start construction of the body, glue the two internal partitions and two end pieces as well as both of the side pieces. This sits in the middle of the brake van within the etched lines on the floor.



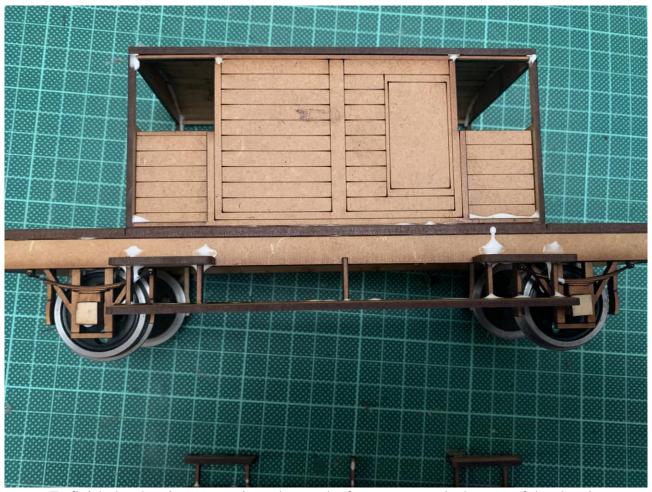
Next glue on the doors onto the end of each model inside of the side panels of the brake van.



Next, glue on the roof of the brake van ensuring it is fully covered using the strips provided.



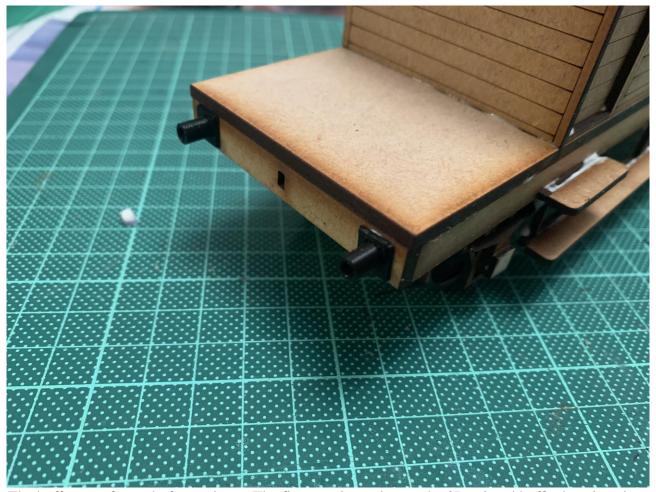
To assemble the footsteps, glue the smaller footsteps onto the top of the step sides and the longer steps on the bottom of the footsteps.



To finish the chassis construction, glue on the footsteps onto the bottom of the chassis.



Now, glue into place the Sandboxes which sit on the ends of the Brake Van. Note, some of these were removed in later service so it is strongly recommended you choose a prototype and use it for your model.



The buffers are formed of two pieces. The first part is to glue on the 3D printed buffer housings into the respective locations as marked on the bufferbeam. For those who wish to use sprung buffers, there is a half etched circle for you to drill though to place the buffers in the correct location.



The final assembly comes now. Glue into place the two duckets on the side of the brake van. Coupling wise, these are installed by sliding the coupling hook though the buffer beam and then pinning the spring in place using a split pin (which is supplied with the couplings). The final stages of the buffers is to glue in the Brass Pins into place to form the buffer unit. Some straightening of the buffers maybe required due to their manufacturing.

Your Model is now complete.



We hope you enjoy your Bowaters Models kit! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us on info@bowatersmodels.co.uk

We thank you for your custom.