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STARBURST

Height: 49.0"
Weight: 20 oz.
Diameter: 2.63"

Two motor flights to over 1,800 ft.

Sample Motor Selections (2)D12-5, (2)E30-7, (2)E26-7, (2)F32-10

Kit Features Include:

Pre-slotted Airframe Tubing Plywood Fins & Rings Plastic Nose Cone Parachute Recovery

* This kit is recommended for those with previous model rocket building experience.

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PK-28 STARBURST — ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

PARTS LIST:

- 1 Pre-slotted Airframe
- 1 Plastic nose cone
- 2 Motor mount tubes 6"
- 2 centering rings
- Due to the high thrust motors that can be flown in this kit, it is strongly recommended that epoxy be used throughout its entire construction.
- Before beginning construction, read over assembly instructions to familiarize you with proper construction sequence. Check rear and side exposed views (shown at bottom of instructions) carefully for fin positions and motor mount/centering ring placement inside the main airframe.
- TEST FIT PARTS BEFORE BONDING TOGETHER WITH EPOXY!!!! It may be necessary to lightly sand some parts to obtain a proper fit.
- ♦ The following will be needed for the construction and finishing of this kit:

Modelling knife 12" ruler Pen or pencil Sandpaper (medium and fine) Epoxy (5 or 15 minute) Masking tape
Sanding sealer
Pen or pencil
Paint brushes (assorted sizes)
Primer and paint

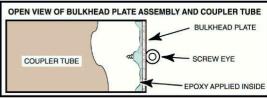
- 1. Using fine sandpaper, sand the outside of the main airframe, motor mount tube, and launch lug for better epoxy adhesion.
- 2. Lay the two motor mount tubes (24mm) side by side. Place a small continuous bead of epoxy to attach them together. Use masking tape to clamp together until dry. Attach the centering rings 1/8" from each end of the dual tubes. Add a small amount of epoxy. When dry, turn over 180 degrees and add fillets of epoxy. When dry, turn over again and add fillets to this side too.

3. Apply a continuous bead of epoxy around the inside of the pre-

- slotted airframe, 10" up from its slotted end. **DO NOT GET ANY EPOXY IN THE FIN SLOTS!**Take the assembled motor mount and push it straight up into the epoxied end of the pre-slotted airframe until the bottom centering ring is 1/8" below the pre-slotted airframe's edge. Position of the dual motor mount tube assembly in relation to the fin slots is NOT critical. Set in an upright position to dry. When dry, turn assembly upside down and give exposed bottom centering ring a light layer of epoxy for additional strength. Set aside to dry.
- 4. Sand all fins smooth and round off their leading and trailing edges using medium then fine sand paper.
- 5. Test fit the fin tabs (which protrude out from the fin's root edge) into the airframe's fin slots. Sand fin tabs, If necessary, for proper fit. Place epoxy on the fin tab and partially exposed fin root edge. Place the fin tab In the slot and keep the airframe in a horizontal position while drying. Make sure that the fin is straight up from the airframe tube. When dry, repeat this procedure with the remaining fins.
- 6. Sight the high point (center of airframe's diameter) of the airframe between any two fins and from 10" up from the airframe's bottom edge make a small pencil mark. From this mark, make a straight line up about 6" long. Epoxy the launch lug directly on this line, making sure that it is parallel to the airframe. Set aside to dry in a horizontal position.
- 7. Give all fins and launch lug joints added epoxy fillets for maximum strength.
- 8. Install shock cord mount per instructions and let dry.

- 1 set of fins
- 1 shock cord
- 1 payload section
- 1 parachute

- 1 bulkhead assembly
- 1 launch lug
- 1 shock cord mount
- Instructions
- 9. Screw in the screw eye to the bulkhead plate (eyelet screw) all the way, with perfect alignment. Add epoxy around the visible screw threads. Allow to dry. Fit the bulhead plate into the coupler tube so the surface is even with the end of the coupler tube. Sand if necessary to make a perfect fit. Add a fillet of epoxy to the joining surfaces inside of the coupler tube. Later, for added strength add another even coat of epoxy.



- 10. Seal fins and launch lug with sanding sealer using a brush. Sand lightly between coats to fill pores and obtain a smooth finish.
- 11. Lightly sand the nosecone with fine sandpaper to remove molding seam line.
- 12. When you are satisfied with the smooth and sanded finish of your model it is ready to prime and then paint in the colors of your choice.
- 13. When the paint is completely dry, take one end of the shock cord and pass it through the loop of the shock cord mount. Secure it with a double knot. Take the other end of the shock cord and pass it through the screw eye of the payload section and also secure it with a double knot. Place a SMALL drop of epoxy on both knots to keep them permanently secured.
- 14. Attach the chute to the shock cord about 3" away from the payload section. To do this, take the chute shroud line loop ends in one hand, and with the other hand, take the chute and go around the shock cord, passing the chute through the shroud line loops. When the chute is pulled through tightly, it will form a knot.
- 15. For high altitude flights make sure that the nose cone fits tightly into the payload section. Also the coupler of the payload section should have a slightly snug fit in the main airframe.
- 16. Select two of the same motors for first flight, Because of all the different motor combination. available (with varying motor lengths), this kit uses no motor blocks, Instead, wrap 1/2" wide masking tape around the nozzle end of each motor to a diameter equal to that of the motor mount tube. This will keep the motors from pushing forward upon ignition. Friction fit each motor in place by wrapping masking tape around the motor in two places for a snug fit in the motor mount tube. This will prevent the motors from ejecting rearward upon activation of the ejection charge.
- 17. Remember to use enough recovery wadding to protect the chute from the hot ejection charge gases.
- 18. Always follow motor manufacturer's instructions for motor use and ignition, and launch this vehicle on calm, windless days to insure safe recovery.

