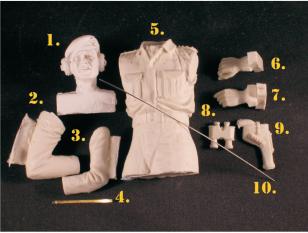


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NORMANDY COMMONWEALTH TANK CAPTAIN...





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We cast this figure to be a fictitious Captain on the Normandy Front from June to August 1944. The cap badge can be altered easily to represent a specific unit you like. The uniform itself is a representation of the early 37 style battledress with a web "tanker" holster but, rather than the extended web worn on the thigh. We have depicted it attached to the waist web belt. There are 3 "pips" on the shoulder to indicate the rank of Captain. There are plenty of other details you may choose to add to this figure to alter the final appearance. Small "dots" of styrene rod could be added to create buttons to simulate the 39 pattern. Shoulder flashes and/or division patches could also be added.

WORKING WITH RESIN WARNING

Resin is not plastic or ABS or harder versions of plastic. While it is a rigid material and quite good to work with, it's inherent strength is not the same. Resin has very little shear strength and can, if enough force is applied, shatter. Take care not to use excessive force when cutting, sanding, and fitting resin parts.

Resin is TOXIC! When trimming, sanding, grinding, etc. wear protection even if it is a simple face mask. We want our customers to be around to purchase more kits!

You will be doing some cutting, trimming, filling, and sanding! But, it will be worth it in the end! I prefer to clean all parts before starting rather than doing them as you go.

TIPS AND TRICKS

You will find that the arms fit pretty precisely in and almost lock into the body. You will see there are very small notches on the tops of the arms that fit into the corresponding notches on the shoulders. Do not force! They will fit in... Use CA Glue to attach.

Trick: Making the hands fit inside the arms for a more realistic look.

First, rout out the arms to a depth of about 5mm. and thin the walls of the arm to be approx. a scale clothing sleeve. Find some thin copper wire. Cut the wire to about 8mm in length.

Using a drill bit roughly the same diameter as the wire you are using, drill the center of the drilled out

arms another 3mm deeper. Next, using the same drill bit drill a hole into the hand you will be attaching approx. 3mm. Test fit the wire into the hand and into the arm. Once you have position and fit correct glue the wire into the hand only. This allows you to paint the hands and the arms separately before final fitting and gluing.

This method can also be done to fit the head.

Trick: Making the headphones back metal strap.

Using a pencil or pen roughly the same diameter as the head, roll the small brass strip till you get it rounded and it fits roughly in place on the head. Use CA Glue to attach as shown.



Cut off 18mm and bend to fit the head. Bend 18mm of the end of remaining wire to form "U" the wire is plastic coated so CA (super) glue will work to affix.

