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CL-215

Water Bomber



The Canadair CL-215 is a is a twin-engine, high-wing amphibious aircraft, purposely built for fire suppression. It is designed to operate at low speed altitudes and because of it's high lift wing and large tail design, it can operate in the gusty winds and high wing loading environments, typical found in forest fires. Other types of operation that the CL-215 has been used for include, search and rescue, freight transport and passenger services. First flight of the CL-215 was October 1967, with the first aircraft being delivered in 1969. Production ended in 1990 with 125 units being produced. Customers include Canada, France, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Thailand and the United States. The CL-215 is powered by two Pratt & Whitney R2800 Radial engine, the same type used in World War Two fighter aircraft. At the time of the design the R2800 was readily available. For CL-215 still flying today the R2800 presents a challenge for it's users, as high maintenance and fuel costs make it expensive to operate. Some users have opt to change the engine for the more efficient Pratt & Whitney Canada Pw100. The Markings included in the kit are for C-GBPD This aircraft has spent it's entire life in Canada, most recently in the Northwest Territories being operated by Buffalo Airways. The aircraft is now owned by Viking Air and is used as a demonstration aircraft for the new up coming CL-515.

Specifications

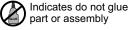
Length 65 ft 0 in Wingspan 93 ft 10 in

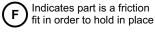
Power 2 Pratt & Whitney R-2800-83AM 2,100 hp each Performance Cruise speed 181 mph, stall speed 76 mph

Max capacity water/retardant: 1,300 US gallons

Building tips:

All parts will be a tight fit. If you find a part is too tight give it a bit of a sanding with 220 grit sandpaper. **DO NOT FORCE PARTS.** A hobby knife is suggested to cut the pieces from the part tree but most parts will break free easily. We recommend removing the burnt edge left by the laser with 220 grit sandpaper. This makes it easier for painting also it makes for a better appearance, especially if you are going to leave the model in it's natural wood state. Although the model is designed to be assembled without glue, we do suggest glueing your model together. Noting indicated parts that are not to be glued. Any black substance that gets on your hands is non toxic and can be removed with soap and water



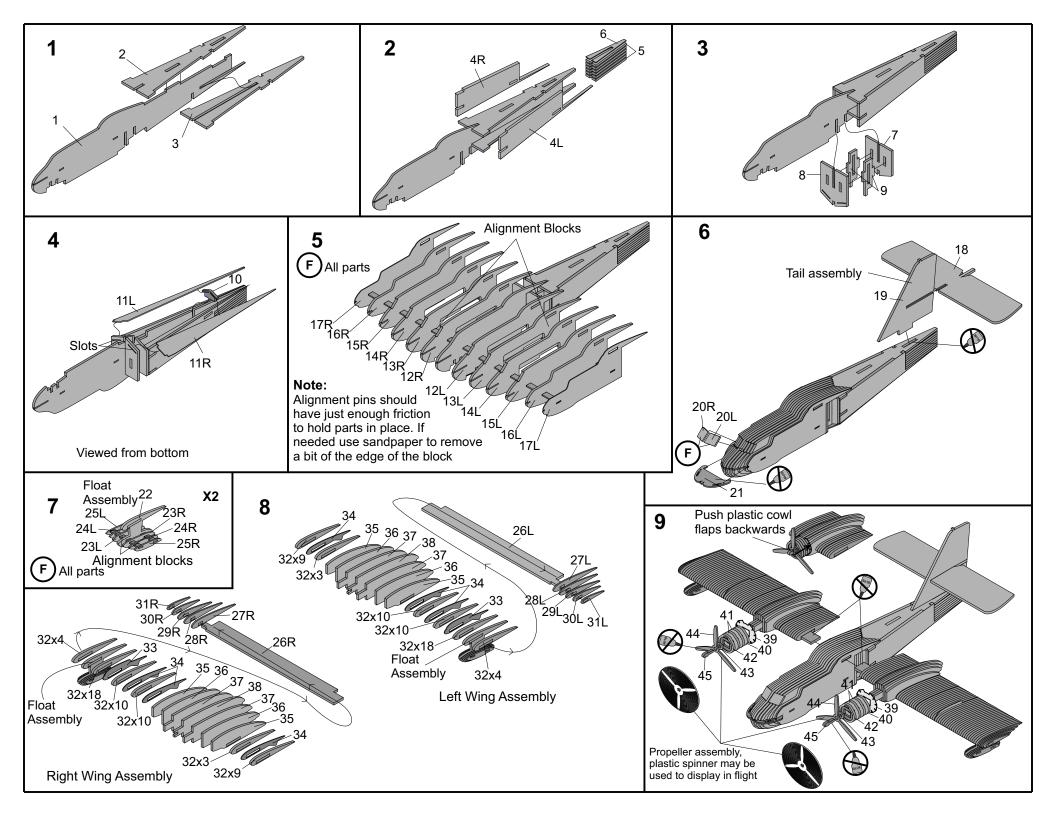


Recommended Tools:

Hobby Knife, Scissors, White Glue, 220 grit sandpaper

Note:

The following parts should not to be glued. Tail assemble, Wing assemblies, Front landing gear doors, Bomb bay doors, Propeller assembly, as they need to be removed to apply decals. Front and rear landing gear is designed to be interchangeable with in flight configuration. Bomb bay doors my be displayed in open or closed position.



Decals should be placed into position in numerical order. You will need to remove the tail assembly, wing assembly, propeller assembly, as they need to be removed to apply decals. Take your time.

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Applying decals Tools needed to apply decals

Scissors Utility knife

Make sure your hands are clean before applying decals. Avoid contact with the adhesive as this can cause the decal to loose some of its adhesion. Decals will adhere better to a smooth clean surface so we do recommend painting your model for best results.

Paint entire aircraft yellow and the bottom of the fuselage red before applying decals. See other side of page



Cut out each decals as close to the edge as possible. Only cut out decals as needed.



For the large decals, remove about a 1/4" of the backing and cut off with scisors.



Place the exposed section on the surface making sure that your decal is properly aligned on the part.



Slowly remove the backing by cutting in stages to make sure the decal is staying aligned on the surface.



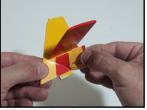
For small decals you may use a utility knife to remove them from the backing and place in position.



Use a knife to place the decals on the tip of the propeller



For tail decals start with the bottom section first



Align the decal on the tail and peel remaining backing away

Colour Scheme of Canadair CL-215 C-GBPD

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Suggested colours by Testors Model Paints

1 Yellow 1114

Fuselage Wings

Floats

Tail

Engine cowl

2 Red 1103

Belly of fuselage

Front landing gear doors

Bomb bay doors

Wing tips

Bottom of floats

Rear stabilizer top & bottom

Propeller tips to match decal

Front 1/8" of cowl

Trailing edge of tail

3 Black 1147

Front and rear wheels

4 Aluminum 1181

Spinner

Propeller

Front and rear landing gear

Note:

Model should be painted Yellow with the belly of the fuselage red.



The bottom half of the float is painted red



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Tape of the belly of the fuselage and paint red



Tape off first 1/8" of cowl and paint red