

Bandai MS-07B-03 Gouf Custom

Bandai Hobby MS-07B-3 Gouf Custom MG 1/100 Model Kit Instruction Manual

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for assembling and maintaining your Bandai Hobby Master Grade (MG) 1/100 MS-07B-3 Gouf Custom model kit. This kit is designed for enthusiasts aged 15 and older, offering a rewarding building experience with high detail and articulation.

The Bandai Hobby MS-07B-3 Gouf Custom model kit features snap-fit assembly, eliminating the need for glue. Advanced multi-color runner technology allows for accurate color recreation directly from the plastic parts. Enjoy the process of bringing this iconic Mobile Suit from the 08th MS Team to life.



Figure 1: Fully assembled Bandai Hobby MS-07B-3 Gouf Custom MG 1/100 model kit, showcasing its detailed design and signature gatling shield.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING: CHOKING HAZARD - Small parts. Not for children under 3 years.

This product contains small components that may pose a choking hazard. Keep all parts and packaging materials away from young children. Adult supervision is recommended during assembly for individuals under the recommended age of 15.

3. ASSEMBLY (SETUP)

The MS-07B-3 Gouf Custom model kit utilizes a snap-fit system for assembly. No adhesive is required. However, some tools are highly recommended for a clean and precise build.

Recommended Tools:

- **Plastic Nippers:** For cleanly cutting parts from the runners.
- **Hobby Knife/Exacto Knife:** For trimming excess plastic (nubs) and refining part edges.
- **Small Phillips Head Screwdriver:** Required for securing certain joints, as indicated in the detailed instruction booklet included with the kit.
- **Tweezers:** Useful for handling small parts and applying decals.

Assembly Steps:

1. **Review Instructions:** Carefully read through the entire instruction booklet provided in the kit before beginning assembly. Familiarize yourself with the part layout and assembly sequence.
2. **Part Preparation:** Using plastic nippers, carefully cut each part from its runner. Avoid pulling or twisting, which can damage the part. Trim any remaining plastic nubs with a hobby knife for a smooth finish.
3. **Snap-Fit Assembly:** Align parts according to the instruction diagrams and gently press them together until they snap into place. Ensure a secure fit.
4. **Screw Installation:** For joints that require screws, use a small Phillips head screwdriver. Tighten screws sufficiently to ensure joint stability, but avoid over-tightening, which can strip the plastic. Refer to the instruction booklet for specific screw locations and torque recommendations.
5. **Decal Application:** Apply any included decals (stickers or water-slide decals) as per the instruction booklet. Use tweezers for precise placement.



Figure 2: Example of model kit parts on a runner, demonstrating the multi-color injection molding.



Figure 3: Illustrative image of a hand assembling a model kit part, highlighting the snap-fit process.

4. DISPLAY AND POSING (OPERATING)

Once assembled, your MS-07B-3 Gouf Custom model kit is ready for display. Its Master Grade articulation allows for a wide range of dynamic poses.

- **Articulation:** Carefully manipulate the joints to achieve desired poses. The Gouf Custom features highly articulated limbs, torso, and head.
- **Weaponry:** Equip the model with its signature gatling shield and heat rod. Ensure weapons are securely attached to the hands or designated hardpoints.
- **Stability:** For complex or dynamic poses, consider using an action base (sold separately) to enhance stability and display options.



Figure 4: The Gouf Custom model kit posed dynamically, demonstrating its articulation and weapon handling.

5. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Proper care will ensure the longevity and appearance of your model kit.

- **Cleaning:** Dust regularly with a soft brush or a can of compressed air. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials, which can damage the plastic or paint.
- **Storage:** Store the model in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight to prevent discoloration and material degradation.
- **Handling:** Handle the model by its main body parts rather than delicate accessories or thin antennas to prevent breakage.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Loose Joints:** If joints become loose over time, carefully re-tighten any screws present in those joints. For snap-fit joints without screws, a small amount of clear nail polish or hobby cement applied to the peg (and allowed to dry slightly before reassembly) can increase friction.
- **Parts Not Fitting:** Ensure all excess plastic (nubs) from the runners have been completely removed. If a part still doesn't fit, double-check the instruction manual to confirm correct orientation and part number. Do not force parts together, as this can cause damage.
- **Missing or Damaged Parts:** If you discover any missing or damaged parts upon opening the kit, please contact Bandai Hobby customer support.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Bandai
Model Name	Gundam 08th MS Team - MS07B-3 Gouf Custom MG 1/100
Item Model Number	MS-07B-03 Gouf Custom
Scale	1/100 (Master Grade)
Material	Plastic
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	16.54 x 14.17 x 25.59 inches
Item Weight	14 Ounces
Recommended Age	15 - 16 years
Assembly Type	Snap-fit (No Glue Required)

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This Bandai Hobby model kit is an officially licensed product, ensuring reliable high quality. For any inquiries regarding your product, including missing parts or assembly assistance, please refer to the contact information provided in your kit's packaging or visit the official Bandai Hobby store.

You can find more information and support resources at the [Bandai Hobby Store on Amazon](#).