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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the assembly and finishing of the FALLER Trumpeter 1:16 WWII Soviet Officer Model Kit, model number TRU00703. Please read all instructions carefully before beginning assembly to ensure a successful and enjoyable building experience. This kit is intended for adult modelers.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Trumpeter 1:16 WWII Soviet Officer model kit allows for the creation of a detailed figure representing a Soviet officer from World War II. This plastic model kit requires assembly and painting to achieve the final appearance. The kit is designed for accuracy and detail, providing a rewarding project for enthusiasts.



Image 1: Box art for the Trumpeter 1:16 WWII Soviet Officer Model Kit, showing the assembled and painted figure.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all components are present before starting assembly. The kit includes:

- Over 23 plastic assembly parts
- Detailed painting guide
- Instruction sheet

Note: Adhesives and paints are not included and must be purchased separately.

4. ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS (SETUP)

Follow these steps for the proper assembly of your model kit:

1. **Preparation:** Carefully remove all parts from the sprues using a hobby knife or sprue cutters. Clean any excess plastic (flash) from the parts with a hobby knife or fine-grit sandpaper.

2. **Dry Fit:** Before applying adhesive, dry fit parts together to ensure proper alignment and fit. This helps identify any potential issues before permanent bonding.
3. **Adhesive Application:** Apply a small amount of plastic model cement to the joining surfaces. Hold the parts firmly together until the adhesive sets. Refer to the included instruction sheet for specific part numbers and assembly sequence.
4. **Sub-Assemblies:** Assemble smaller sections (e.g., head, arms, equipment) first, then combine them to form the main figure.
5. **Detailing:** Attach smaller detail parts such as insignia, weapons, and accessories after the main figure is assembled.

Allow sufficient drying time for all adhesive joints before proceeding to painting.

5. PAINTING GUIDE

The included painting guide provides recommendations for colors and schemes to accurately represent a WWII Soviet Officer. Adhere to the guide for historical accuracy or customize as desired.

- **Surface Preparation:** Ensure the assembled model is clean and free of dust or grease. A primer coat is recommended for better paint adhesion and a uniform finish.
- **Base Coats:** Apply base colors according to the painting guide. Use thin, even coats to avoid obscuring details.
- **Detail Painting:** Paint smaller details such as facial features, buttons, and insignia using fine brushes.
- **Weathering (Optional):** For a more realistic appearance, weathering techniques such as washes, dry-brushing, and pigments can be applied to simulate wear and tear.
- **Protective Coat:** Once painting is complete and dry, apply a clear matte or satin varnish to protect the paintwork.

6. MAINTENANCE

This model kit requires minimal maintenance once assembled and painted.

- **Cleaning:** Dust the model periodically with a soft, dry brush or a can of compressed air. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Storage:** Store the model in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight to prevent fading or material degradation.
- **Handling:** Handle the model carefully to avoid breaking delicate parts.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Most issues encountered during model building relate to assembly or painting. Here are some common points:

- **Parts Not Fitting:** Ensure all flash is removed and parts are correctly oriented. Dry fit again. If necessary, gently sand or trim contact points.
- **Poor Paint Adhesion:** Ensure the model surface is clean and free of oils. Consider using a primer before applying paint.
- **Bubbles in Paint:** Apply paint in thin coats. Ensure paint is properly thinned if using an airbrush.
- **Broken Parts:** Small broken parts can often be reattached using plastic cement or super glue. For missing

parts, refer to the customer support section.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	Soviet Officer
Model Number	TRU00703
Brand	FALLER (Trumpeter)
Scale	1:16
Material	Plastic
Number of Parts	Over 23
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	0.81 x 1.13 x 4.33 inches
Item Weight	0.08 Kilograms
Recommended Age	Adult

9. WARRANTY INFORMATION

This product is sold without an explicit warranty. Please inspect all parts upon receipt. For any issues with missing or defective parts directly from the manufacturer, refer to the customer support section.

10. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For assistance with missing parts, manufacturing defects, or general inquiries regarding your Trumpeter model kit, please contact the manufacturer or your retailer. Keep your purchase receipt and model number (TRU00703) available when contacting support.

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