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1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

This manual provides essential information for the Kato N Gauge Office Building 2, Model 23-434A. This highly detailed model is designed to enhance your N Gauge model railway layout, representing a modern 6-story office building. It features realistic architectural details suitable for urban or commercial settings.





Figure 1.1: The Kato N Gauge Office Building 2 (Model 23-434A). This image shows the full six-story structure with its large windows, detailed facade, and rooftop equipment.

2. PRODUCT FEATURES

- **Realistic Design:** A 6-story square building with a modern appearance and large windows.
- **Detailed Facade:** The side facing the road features an accent brick pattern.
- **Ground Floor Detail:** The first floor is realistically reproduced with store entrances, stairs, and general access points, suitable for a restaurant or retail space.
- **Modular Configuration:** The building can be arranged by configuring 2-level blocks, allowing for layout flexibility.
- **Rooftop and Rear Details:** Includes intricate details such as plumbing, electrical wiring, ducts, and rooftop equipment.
- **Accessories:** Comes with a protruding sign (separate parts) and a dedicated seal for enhanced detail.
- **Dimensions:** Base size approximately 81 x 81 x 176 mm (3.2 x 3.2 x 6.9 inches).





Figure 2.1: A closer view of the Kato N Gauge Office Building 2, highlighting the detailed windows, facade, and ground-level entrance.

3. SETUP AND PLACEMENT

The Kato N Gauge Office Building 2 (Model 23-434A) comes pre-assembled and does not require additional construction.

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the building from its packaging. Inspect for any damage during transit.
2. **Accessory Attachment:** Attach the included protruding sign and apply the dedicated seal as desired to enhance realism. Refer to the packaging illustrations for guidance on placement.
3. **Layout Integration:** Place the building on a flat, stable surface within your N Gauge model railway layout. Consider its position relative to roads, other buildings, and railway lines to create a cohesive scene.
4. **Lighting (Optional):** If you plan to add interior lighting (not included), ensure proper wiring and placement to avoid damaging the model.

4. OPERATING AND DISPLAY

As a static model, the Office Building 2 does not have operational functions. Its primary purpose is to serve as a realistic scenic element within your N Gauge layout.

- **Scenic Placement:** Position the building to complement your railway tracks, roads, and other landscape features. Its modern design makes it suitable for urban or commercial districts.
- **Arrangement:** Utilize the modular design by combining multiple units or arranging them in different configurations to create a larger city block or a unique architectural ensemble.
- **Interaction:** While static, the building can be enhanced with N Gauge figures, vehicles, and other accessories to create dynamic scenes.

5. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

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

- **Dusting:** Regularly dust the model using a soft brush or a can of compressed air to remove accumulated dust. Avoid abrasive materials.
- **Cleaning:** For stubborn dirt, gently wipe with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use harsh chemicals, solvents, or abrasive cleaners, as these can damage the paint and plastic.
- **Handling:** Always handle the model by its base to prevent damage to delicate details like railings, antennas, or signs.
- **Storage:** When not on display, store the model in its original packaging or a protective container in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight to prevent discoloration or warping.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

This model is a static display item, so troubleshooting is generally limited to physical integrity.

- **Loose Parts:** If any small parts become loose, carefully reattach them using a small amount of model-safe plastic cement. Ensure proper alignment before the adhesive sets.
- **Discoloration/Warping:** This is typically caused by prolonged exposure to direct sunlight or extreme temperatures. Ensure the model is displayed and stored in appropriate conditions.
- **Stability Issues:** Ensure the model is placed on a completely flat and stable surface to prevent tipping.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	23-434A
Brand	Kato
Material	Plastic
Color	Gray
Product Dimensions (Base)	81 x 81 x 176 mm (3.2 x 3.2 x 6.9 inches)
Item Weight	281 g
Assembly Required	No
Recommended Age	8 years and up
Included Components	Main unit, protruding sign (separate parts), dedicated seal

8. SAFETY INFORMATION

- **Age Recommendation:** This product is recommended for ages 8 years and up. It is not suitable for children under 3 years due to small parts which may pose a choking hazard.
- **Handling:** Handle with care to avoid breakage of delicate parts.
- **Display Environment:** Keep away from open flames, excessive heat, and direct sunlight to prevent damage or discoloration.

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For any questions regarding the Kato N Gauge Office Building 2 (Model 23-434A), please contact Kato customer support. Specific warranty details may vary by region and retailer. Please retain your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

You can find more information and contact details on the official Kato website:www.katomodels.com

