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Model: MSN-04 Sazabi Version Ka | Brand: BANDAI SPIRITS

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This instruction manual provides detailed guidance for the assembly, operation, and maintenance of your Bandai Hobby Master Grade (MG) 1/100 MSN-04 Sazabi Version Ka model kit. This highly detailed kit, envisioned by mechanical designer Hajime Katoki, represents Char Aznable's iconic mobile suit. It features advanced articulation and intricate mechanical details, offering an engaging building experience for enthusiasts.



Figure 1.1: Packaging for the MSN-04 Sazabi Version Ka model kit. The box art displays the fully assembled model.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

**Warning: This product is not a toy. It contains small parts and is intended for individuals aged 15 years and up. Adult supervision is recommended for younger builders. Keep out of reach of small children to prevent choking hazards.**

- Always use appropriate tools for assembly, such as hobby nippers and a hobby knife, with caution.
- Dispose of plastic runners and small waste pieces properly.
- Avoid placing parts in your mouth.

## 3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Before beginning assembly, verify that all components are present in the package:

- Model Kit Runners (various plastic frames containing parts)
- Instruction Manual (this document, or a printed version)
- Decals (dry transfer, sticker, or water slide decals)
- Poly-caps (for joint articulation)
- Beam Sabers
- Beam Tomahawk
- Beam Rifle (main)
- Second Beam Rifle
- Shield
- Funnels (x6)
- LED Unit (optional, sold separately for head compatibility)

## 4. SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

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Assembly of the MG 1/100 MSN-04 Sazabi Version Ka requires careful attention to detail. Refer to the included printed instruction booklet for step-by-step diagrams and part identification. Recommended tools include:

- Hobby Nippers: For cleanly removing parts from runners.
- Hobby Knife: For trimming nubs and refining parts.
- Tweezers: Useful for applying small decals and handling small parts.
- Screwdriver (small): May be required for certain internal frame components or LED unit installation.

### 4.1. General Assembly Steps

1. **Part Preparation:** Carefully cut each part from its runner using hobby nippers. Trim any remaining nubs with a hobby knife for a smooth finish.
2. **Follow Instructions:** Adhere strictly to the sequence provided in the printed instruction booklet. Each section (head, torso, arms, legs, backpack, weapons) is typically built modularly.
3. **Joint Assembly:** Pay close attention to poly-cap placement and joint orientation to ensure proper articulation.
4. **Decal Application:** Apply decals (stickers, dry transfers, or water slides) as indicated in the manual for enhanced detail.



Figure 4.1: The fully assembled MSN-04 Sazabi Version Ka, showcasing its imposing design and intricate details.

## 5. FEATURES AND ARTICULATION

The MSN-04 Sazabi Version Ka is designed with advanced articulation and numerous mechanical gimmicks to enhance display options and realism.

### 5.1. Articulation and Posing

- **Multi-Jointed Frame:** The internal frame allows for a wide range of dynamic poses, including kneeling and action stances.
- **Sliding Panels:** Various armor panels on the body, arms, and legs can slide open to reveal intricate internal mechanical details.

- **Pop-Open Thruster Hatches:** The thruster hatches located in the legs can be opened to expose internal propulsion units.



Figure 5.1: Detailed view of the leg section, highlighting the pop-open thruster hatches and sliding armor panels.

## 5.2. Armaments and Accessories

- **Beam Rifle:** The primary ranged weapon, designed for various holding poses.
- **Second Beam Rifle:** An additional beam rifle is included, offering more display versatility.
- **Beam Tomahawk:** Incorporates design elements from the Sinanju, can be stored on the shield or wielded.
- **Beam Sabers:** Two beam sabers are included, typically stored in the forearms.
- **Shield:** A large, iconic shield that can be mounted on the arm.
- **Funnels:** Six funnels are stored in the backpack, capable of being deployed for display (requires action base, sold separately).
- **LED Unit Compatibility:** The head unit is designed to accommodate an optional LED unit (sold separately) for illuminating the mono-eye.



Figure 5.2: The Sazabi Ver. Ka posed with its beam rifle, demonstrating its articulation and weapon handling capabilities.



Figure 5.3: Rear view of the model, illustrating the backpack unit and the storage for the six funnels.



Figure 5.4: Frontal view with armor panels partially open, showcasing the intricate mechanical details beneath the exterior.

## 6. MAINTENANCE

Proper care will preserve the appearance and integrity of your model kit.

- **Dusting:** Regularly dust the model with a soft brush or compressed air to prevent accumulation.
- **Handling:** Handle the model by its main body parts rather than delicate accessories or thin antennas to avoid breakage.
- **Storage:** Store the model in a stable environment, away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and high humidity, which can cause plastic degradation or decal yellowing.
- **Cleaning:** For stubborn dust or smudges, gently wipe with a soft, damp cloth. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Encountering minor issues during or after assembly is common. Here are some general tips:

- **Loose Joints:** If a joint feels too loose, a thin layer of clear topcoat or a small piece of tape can be applied to the ball joint or peg to increase friction.
- **Parts Not Fitting:** Double-check the instruction manual to ensure correct part orientation. If a part is slightly too

tight, gently sand or trim the connecting peg. Do not force parts together, as this can cause breakage.

- **Missing or Damaged Parts:** If you discover a missing or damaged part, refer to the manufacturer's customer support information, usually found in the instruction manual or on their official website.
- **Decal Issues:** If decals are not adhering properly, ensure the surface is clean and dry. For water slide decals, ensure sufficient water and proper drying time.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions	23.23 x 15.35 x 4.33 inches (packaging)
Item Weight	3.59 pounds
ASIN	B07HLW25VG
Item Model Number	BAS5055457
Manufacturer Recommended Age	15 years and up
Batteries Required	1 A battery (for optional LED unit, not included)
Manufacturer	Bandai
Date First Available	September 26, 2018

## 9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For inquiries regarding missing parts, manufacturing defects, or general product support, please contact Bandai Spirits customer service. Specific warranty details are typically provided within the product packaging or on the official Bandai Spirits website. Please retain your proof of purchase.

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