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## BANDAI SPIRITS MK58205

# Instruction Manual

BANDAI SPIRITS HG 1/144 RX-78-2 Gundam (Beyond Global) Model Kit

## INTRODUCTION

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This instruction manual provides detailed guidance for the assembly, operation, and maintenance of your BANDAI SPIRITS HG 1/144 RX-78-2 Gundam (Beyond Global) Model Kit. This model kit celebrates the 40th Anniversary of GunPla, featuring advanced articulation and proportion.

Please read this manual thoroughly before beginning assembly to ensure proper construction and to maximize the enjoyment of your model.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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**WARNING: CHOKING HAZARD** - Small parts. Not for children under 3 years. This product is recommended for ages 13 years and up.

Always handle small parts with care. Keep plastic bags and small components away from young children to prevent accidental ingestion.

## PACKAGE CONTENTS

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Verify that all components are present before starting assembly:

- HG 1/144 RX-78-2 Gundam Model Kit (unassembled runners)
- Beam Rifle
- Shield
- Beam Saber (2)
- Foil Seal (decals)
- Instruction Manual (this document)

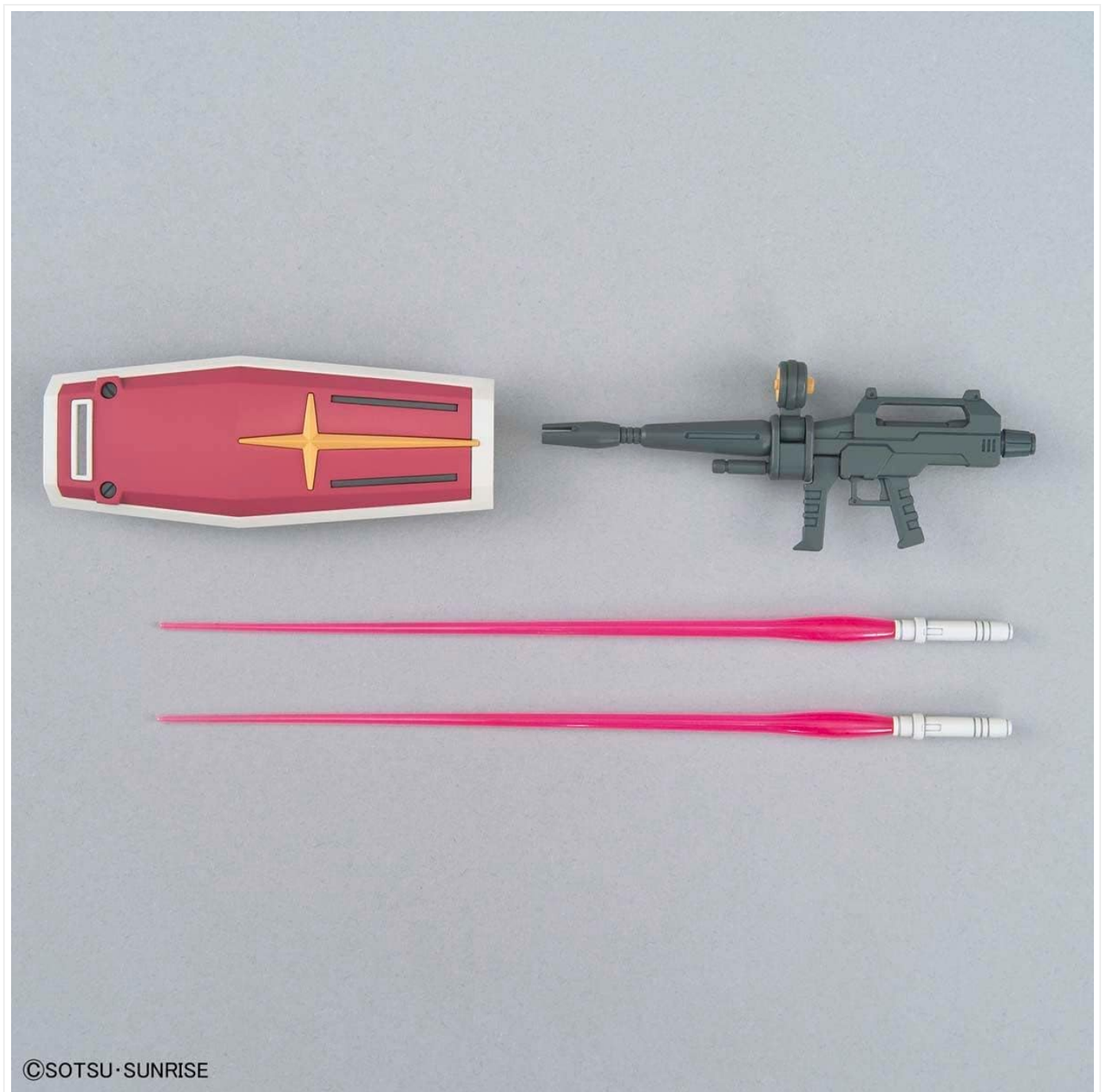


Image: Included accessories for the RX-78-2 Gundam model kit, showing the beam rifle, shield, and two beam sabers.

## SETUP AND PRE-ASSEMBLY

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Before beginning assembly, ensure you have a clean, well-lit workspace. It is recommended to have a hobby knife or nippers for cutting parts from the runners, and a sanding stick or file for smoothing cut surfaces.

### Preparation Steps:

1. Unpack all runners and identify them using the provided diagrams in the separate assembly guide.
2. Familiarize yourself with the assembly steps by reviewing the entire instruction booklet.
3. Prepare your tools: nippers for clean cuts, a hobby knife for precision, and sandpaper or a file for removing nubs.



Image: Various plastic runners with parts for the model kit, showing different colors of plastic.



Image: A hand carefully detaching a shield component from its plastic runner, demonstrating the initial step of part preparation.

## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

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The HG 1/144 RX-78-2 Gundam (Beyond Global) kit is designed for snap-fit assembly, requiring no glue. Follow the numbered steps in the separate assembly booklet provided with your kit. Pay close attention to part orientation and connection points.

### Key Assembly Features:

- **Dynamic Articulation:** The kit features bending hip structures and a groin axis that allows for forward and backward swing, enabling a wide range of poses.
- **Swiveling Shoulder Blades:** Shoulder blades are designed to swivel, concealing articulation joints and enhancing aesthetic appeal.
- **Movable Wrist Blocks:** Wrist blocks are movable to reduce obstruction when the model holds its shield or other accessories.
- **Increased Chest Movement:** Enhanced articulation in the chest area allows for more dynamic upper body poses.





Image: A partially assembled RX-78-2 Gundam, illustrating the internal frame and how external armor pieces attach, highlighting the articulation points.



Image: The fully assembled RX-78-2 Gundam model kit, equipped with its beam rifle and shield, standing in a neutral pose.

## POSING AND DISPLAY

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Once assembled, your RX-78-2 Gundam model kit can be posed in various dynamic stances thanks to its advanced articulation. Gently manipulate the joints to achieve desired poses. Avoid excessive force to prevent damage to the plastic components.

### Posing Tips:

- Utilize the bending hip structures and groin axis for wide leg stances and kneeling poses.
- Adjust the swiveling shoulder blades to allow for natural arm movement when holding weapons.
- Position the movable wrist blocks to ensure the shield and beam rifle fit securely and look natural in the model's hands.
- Experiment with the increased chest movement for more expressive upper body poses.



Image: The RX-78-2 Gundam in a dynamic kneeling pose, wielding a beam saber, showcasing its flexible articulation.



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Image: The RX-78-2 Gundam in an aggressive action pose, holding a beam saber with both hands, demonstrating its wide range of motion.



Image: Rear view of the RX-78-2 Gundam model kit, showing the backpack, beam rifle, and shield from behind.



Image: The RX-78-2 Gundam mounted on an action base (sold separately), posed as if flying and firing its beam rifle, showcasing dynamic display options.

## MAINTENANCE AND CARE

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To ensure the longevity and appearance of your model kit, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Dust your model regularly with a soft brush or compressed air. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials, which can damage the plastic.
- **Storage:** Store the model away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures to prevent plastic degradation or discoloration.
- **Joint Care:** If joints become loose over time, a thin layer of clear nail polish or hobby-specific joint tightener can be applied to the male peg and allowed to dry before reassembly.
- **Disassembly:** If you need to disassemble parts, do so carefully to avoid breaking pegs or snapping plastic. Refer to the assembly guide for proper part separation.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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This section addresses common issues you might encounter during or after assembly.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Parts do not fit together.	Excess plastic (nubs) remaining from the runner; incorrect part orientation.	Carefully trim any remaining nubs with a hobby knife or nippers. Ensure parts are oriented correctly according to the assembly guide.
Joints are too loose.	Normal wear; manufacturing tolerance.	Apply a thin coat of clear nail polish or hobby-grade joint tightener to the male peg and let it dry completely before reassembling.
Parts break during assembly.	Excessive force applied; incorrect tool usage.	Use appropriate tools (nippers for cutting, not twisting). Apply gentle, even pressure. For broken pegs, consider using plastic cement or super glue for repair, if applicable.
Foil seals/decals do not stick.	Surface is dusty or oily; improper application.	Ensure the surface is clean and dry. Press firmly and evenly when applying. For stubborn decals, a small amount of water (for water-slide decals, if included) or a decal setting solution may be needed.

## PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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Feature	Detail
Brand	BANDAI SPIRITS
Model Name	Bandai Hobby HG 1/144 RX-78-2 Gundam (Beyond Global) "Gundam" Model Kit
Item Model Number	MK58205
Scale	1/144
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	2 x 3 x 4.92 inches
Item Weight	8.3 Ounces
Recommended Age	13 years and up
Included Components	HG 1/144 RX-78-2 Gundam Model Kit, Beam rifle, Shield, Beam saber (2), Foil seal
Special Features	Bending hip structures, swiveling shoulder blades, movable wrist blocks, increased chest movement

## WARRANTY INFORMATION

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This product is distributed by authorized U.S. Retailers. The product box will have a Bluefin / Bandai Namco warning label, which is proof that you are purchasing an officially licensed Bandai product. This label also entitles the purchaser to product support assistance within the United States.

For specific warranty details or claims, please refer to the information provided on the Bluefin / Bandai Namco warning label or contact their customer support directly.

## CUSTOMER SUPPORT

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For product support assistance, inquiries regarding missing parts, or other concerns, please contact the authorized distributor for the U.S. Markets, Bluefin. Their contact information can typically be found on the product packaging or their official website.

This product has been thoroughly tested for safety and meets all North American consumer product safety regulations.

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