

T-72M1 assembly instructions

THE turret of your T-72M1 should fit neatly onto the hull, but if you want a more stable fixture, you can carefully drill out the matching holes on the hull top (A) and turret base (B) and use a pin of the appropriate size to secure them together.



Hull: Align tracks (C) and (D) along the sides of the hull and glue in place. You should slide each track forward under the hull overhang to locate in the correct place. Ensure that the drive sprocket (the toothed wheel) on each track is at the rear.

Glue side skirts (D) and (E) onto the hull sides. Ensure that the front curve of each skirt aligns exactly with the downward curve of the hull front (see picture, right) and the top of the skirt is located just under the small ledge along the side of the hull.

Glue the towing cable (I) onto the front of the hull, below the V-shaped splash plate.

NOTE:
The front hull plate pictured is now part of the hull itself, and not included separately.

Glue (G) and (H) into position on the rear of the hull, ensuring the sides match up with the rear of the skirts (E) and (F), to form an unbroken line along the side of the hull.



Turret: Insert commander's cupola (J) into hole on turret roof. Fix spotlight (K) into front of cupola.

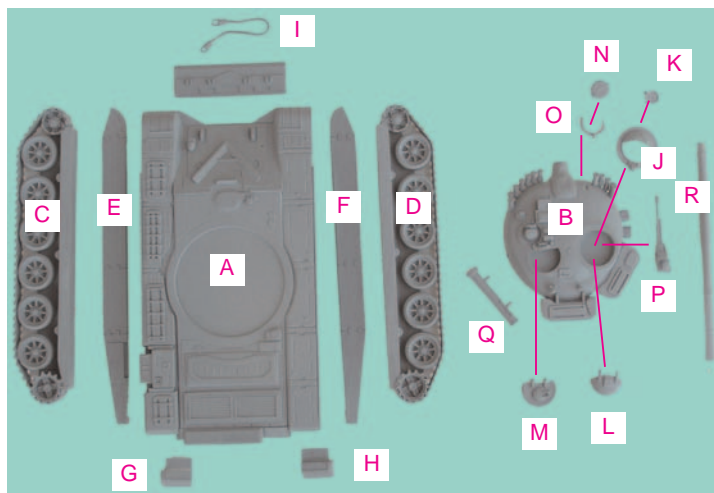
Position hatches (L) and (M). They can be open or closed as desired.

Glue IR searchlight (N) into bracket (O) and glue bracket into hole on front of turret. Check picture (centre right): the bracket stem will need to be bent to the correct angle.

Glue air defence MG (P) into position on commander's cupola.

Glue snorkel (Q) onto side of turret, making sure broad end is facing front.

Insert main gun barrel (R) into turret and glue if required.



■ Some parts may require trimming for exact fit ■ Use a cyanoacrylate super glue or epoxy glue to assemble ■ To ensure best results, wash in warm, soapy water before painting with either enamel or acrylic paints ■ If any part of the model becomes distorted, it can be straightened after briefly immersing in hot water ■ If sanding, work in a ventilated room and use a dust mask
■ This model contains small parts and is not suitable for young children