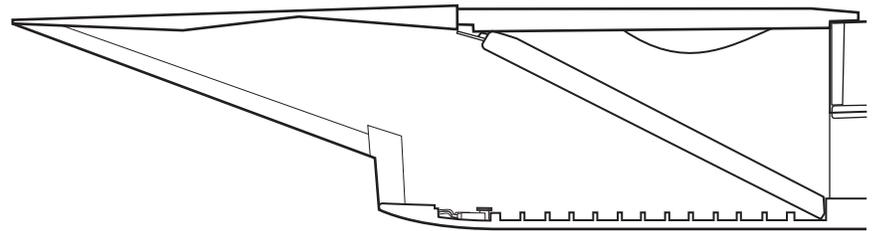
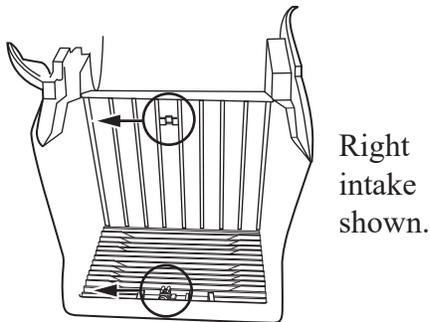


The hardest part will be deciding whether to display the FOD guards up or down.

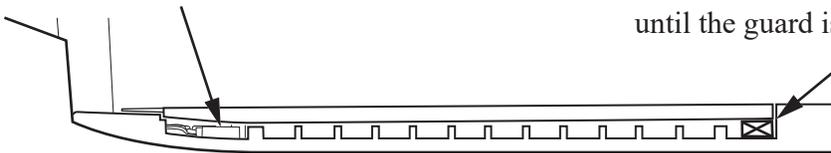


For FOD guards up be sure to locate the latch outboard, above the latching mechanism.

FOD guard down

Remove the latch mechanism.

Shim the rear area with some scrap plastic until the guard is flush on the top.



Though I haven't built one yet, here's the build sequence I have in mind:

Glue the Duct, putty seam and paint all of the insides, glue Air-flow sensors, FOD guard, Fan, splitter plate, electrical box. Glue each intake to the lower fuselage half, gluing and reinforcing from the inside. Glue the fuselage and wings together, then glue the fins and gear humps.

Use super-glue debonder on a q-tip to remove slops (Test your debonder first). This works great for parts like the fins and humps, you can position then glue the parts, slop a little and clean up the mess. Tiny parts like the sensors can be lightly glued in place with white glue, then reinforced with super glue applied with a fine wire.

Remove part of the flange on the fan for the left intake to improve the fit.

Sorry if there are bubbles on some parts (I did my best with the equipment I have and rejected what I thought would be difficult to fix). I fill bubbles part way with superglue, then use spot-putty to finish the surface.

A thin coat of primer will help the paint adhere, but be careful not to fill in the details!

Either shorten the pins on the kit missile pylons or drill the holes in the intake castings deeper.

See you at ARC discussion forums! Cheers!!!