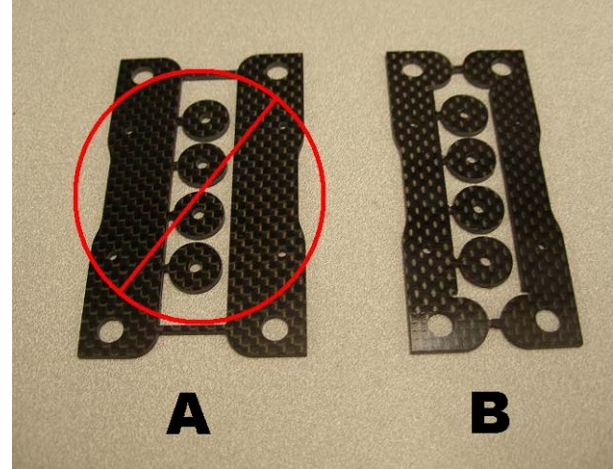


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Bandit ARF Addendum #030807

Main Gear Flex Plates

For years Super Bandits have flown with much success using flex plates very similar in shape to the original Bandit ARF flex plates. (Flex plate "B") After a hard landing or high speed roll-off into ruff grass; it was normal to expect to replace the main flex plates and possibly repair a small crack in the top wing skin.



To increase the robustness of the original Bandit ARF main flex plates; we developed flex plates that are significantly stronger (Flex plate "A"). The new plates are very strong; so strong that we do not recommend using them anymore. When these plates finally fail the resulting damage to the wing structure is worse than when using the original plates; rendering the model un-flyable without tedious work in the work shop.

Important Note:

We are currently flying the flex plates pictured "B" above. For additional strength, apply additional Aeropoxy or V-Poxy to all of the wood ribs junctions with the skin and other structural joints connected to the landing gear. To help protect the top skin, Epoxy 2.75" x 2.75" squares of .020 poly ply to the inside of the wing skin above the retract mechanism.



There are very few kits that were shipped with flex plate "A". If you have received or purchased flex plates similar to "A"; please call BVM for a free replacement set of the correct flex plates "B".