



# HO Structure Kit

## FLAGSTOP STATION

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Thanks for purchasing this Cornerstone kit. All parts are styrene so use compatible glue and paint to assemble and finish your model. Please take a few minutes to read these instructions and study the drawings before starting construction.

Some flagstop stations were little more than a signpost along the track where a passenger might flag down the train. Sometimes railroads provided small open shelters and maybe even a flag to wave. This steam-era structure offers an enclosed space for waiting, a place to come in out of the weather. As passenger service was withdrawn from smaller branch lines, buildings such as this found new life as lineside storage for track crews or were moved and repurposed as offices or outbuildings.

**NOTE:** This model offers you an opportunity to paint the walls and trim elements separately before assembly, creating a clean edge without the hassle of masking. If you wish to do so, paint the base and inner walls, parts 1, 2, 4, 6 and 8 along with the eave brackets, parts 10 and 11, in your chosen trim color. Paint the outer wall panels, parts 3, 5, 7 and 9 your chosen wall color. Be sure to remove any paint from areas that will be glued to ensure a good bond. Use glue sparingly to avoid marring the finished surface.

1) Assemble the walls by gluing to each other corresponding inner and outer wall panels; parts 2 and 3, parts 4 and 5, parts 6 and 7 and parts 8 and 9.

2) Carefully glue the window glass into the matching window openings. Note the orientation of part 15, the tall window glass. The upper half is thicker than the lower half. Also note the transom windows, part 16, are narrower than the end-door transom window, part 17. Set the completed walls aside to cure fully. **NOTE:** At this time you can cut out the included printed window shades, and glue or tape them to the back of the window assemblies.

3) Assemble the two halves of the chimney, part 13, with glue. If you wish to paint the bricks, now is a good time. (*Tip: mount the chimney base on a flat "handle" like a popsicle stick using double sided tape. This keeps the paint off your fingers!*) Glue part 14 to the top of the chimney, then glue the completed chimney to the roof in the notch on the ridge.

4) If you painted your walls and trim, carefully scrape away a little paint from the walls at the mounting plates for the eave brackets, parts 10 and 11. This ensures the glue will make a good bond. Remove the brackets from the sprue being careful to leave the mounting lugs on the brackets. Test fit the brackets into the holes on the walls but do not glue them in at this time. If the mounting holes need enlarging do so now using the tip of a hobby knife or drill bit. You may also need to shorten the mounting lugs. Make sure the brackets fit snugly against the walls.

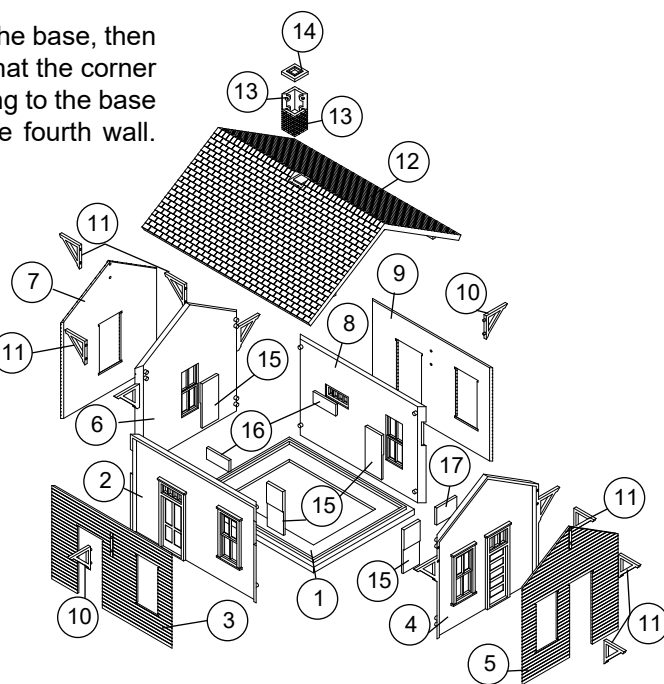
5) Test fit a side and end wall with the base. Carefully glue one wall to the base, then the other immediately after to the base and the adjoining wall. Check that the corner is tight to minimize any gap where the walls meet. Add a third wall, gluing to the base and the adjoining wall, again checking the corner, then finally add the fourth wall. Allow the glue to cure fully.

6) Apply glue sparingly to the tops of the walls and put the roof in place, holding until the glue has cured.

7) Apply glue to the roof brackets, parts 10 and 11 and install according to the diagram. Note: part 10, the side wall bracket, is slightly longer across the top than bracket 11. Part 10 will match the brackets already cast into the end walls, parts 4 and 6. Your flagstop station is now ready for service. Visit [Walthers.com](http://Walthers.com) or your local hobby vendor for great accessories, figures, scenery and more to bring your station to life!

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