

Step 1: Final-Drill both ends of the C-1216-1 Gas Struts as shown in Figure 1.

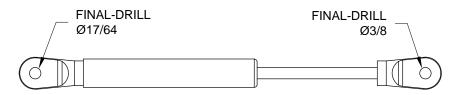


FIGURE 1: FINAL-DRILL GAS STRUTS

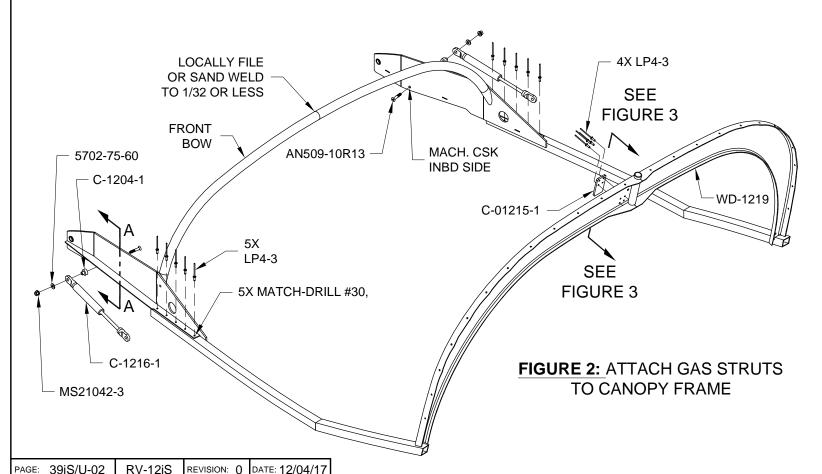
Step 2: Machine countersink the WD-1219 Canopy Frame to fit the heads of the #10 flush head screws shown in Figure 2. The depth of the countersink should be such that the screw head is flush to 1/32 [.8 mm] protruding. A #30 pilot countersink can be used if you are very careful or you can buy/borrow a cutter with a #12 pilot.

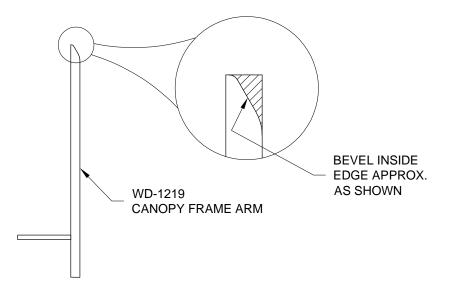
Match-Drill the holes in the canopy frame as shown in Figure 2. Deburr the holes and install blind rivets called out in Figure 2.

File or sand the weld in the center of the canopy frame front bow such that it protrudes not more than 1/32 [.8 mm] above the basic tube. See Figure 2. This should be localized to only the place where the canopy will later make contact. See Page 39iS/U-05, Detail C for the location of the canopy to frame contact.

Bevel the top inside edge of the canopy frame arms starting at the front of the arm and going back to the front bow as shown in Section A-A.

Attach the C-1216-1 Gas Struts to the canopy frame using the parts and hardware shown in Figure 2. For proper long-term operation of the gas struts, it is critical that they are oriented as shown in Figure 2.





## **SECTION A - A**

Step 3: Position the C-01215-1 Canopy Latch Stop to the WD-1219 Canopy Frame as shown in Figures 2 and 3 and match-drill #30 the latch handle stop to the canopy frame. (Later frames are shipped with two locating holes.)

Deburr the holes in the canopy frame then attach the latch handle stop to the canopy frame using the hardware called out in Figure 2.

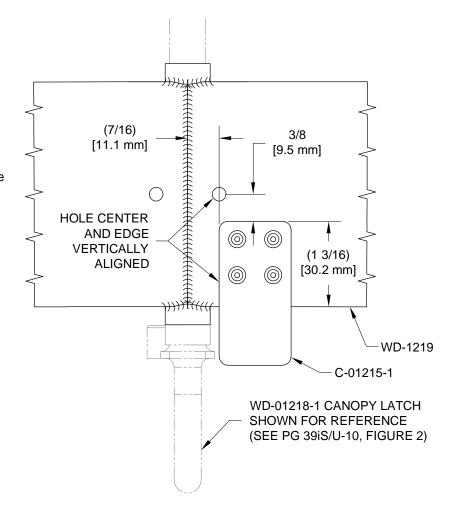
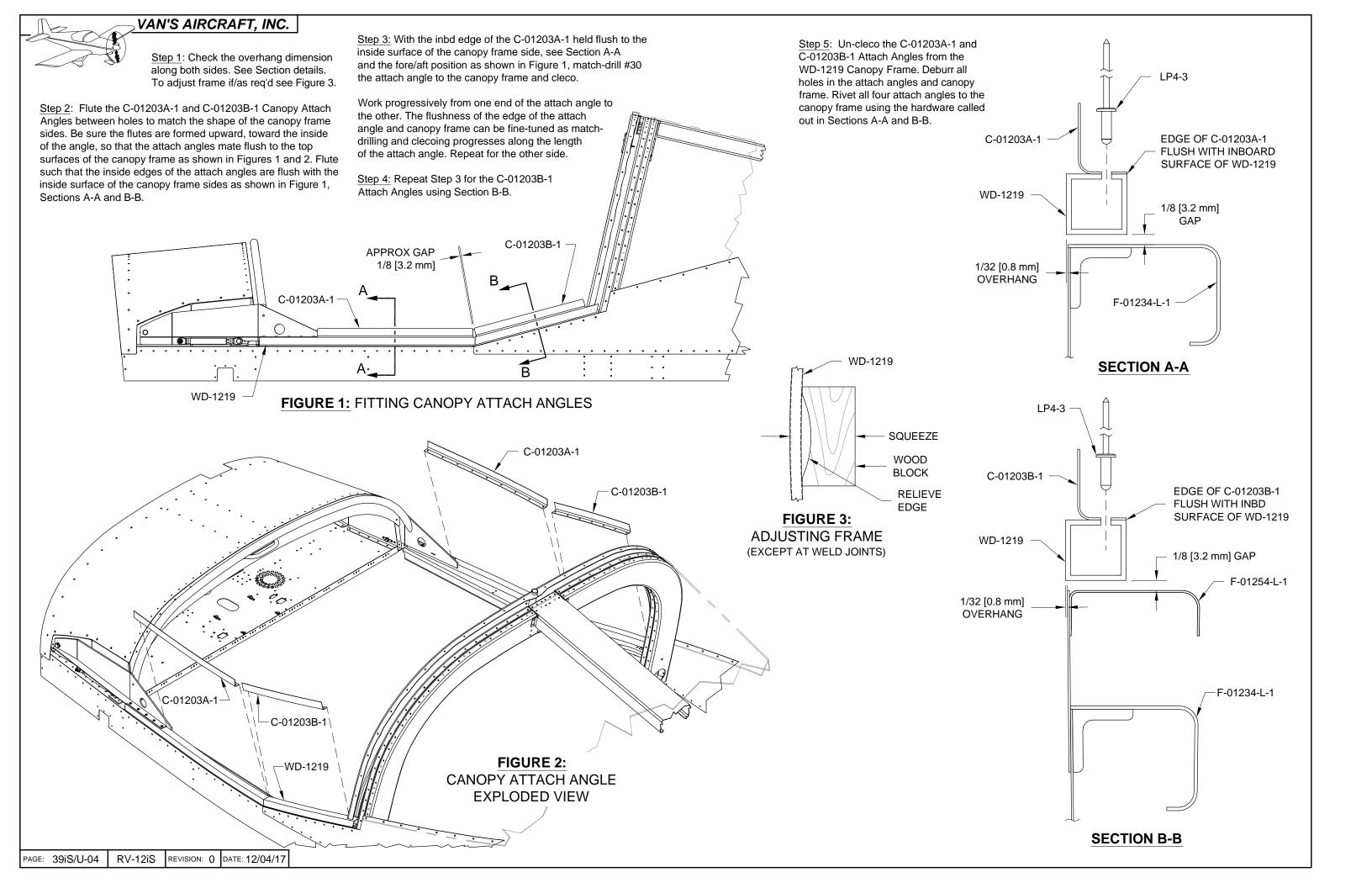
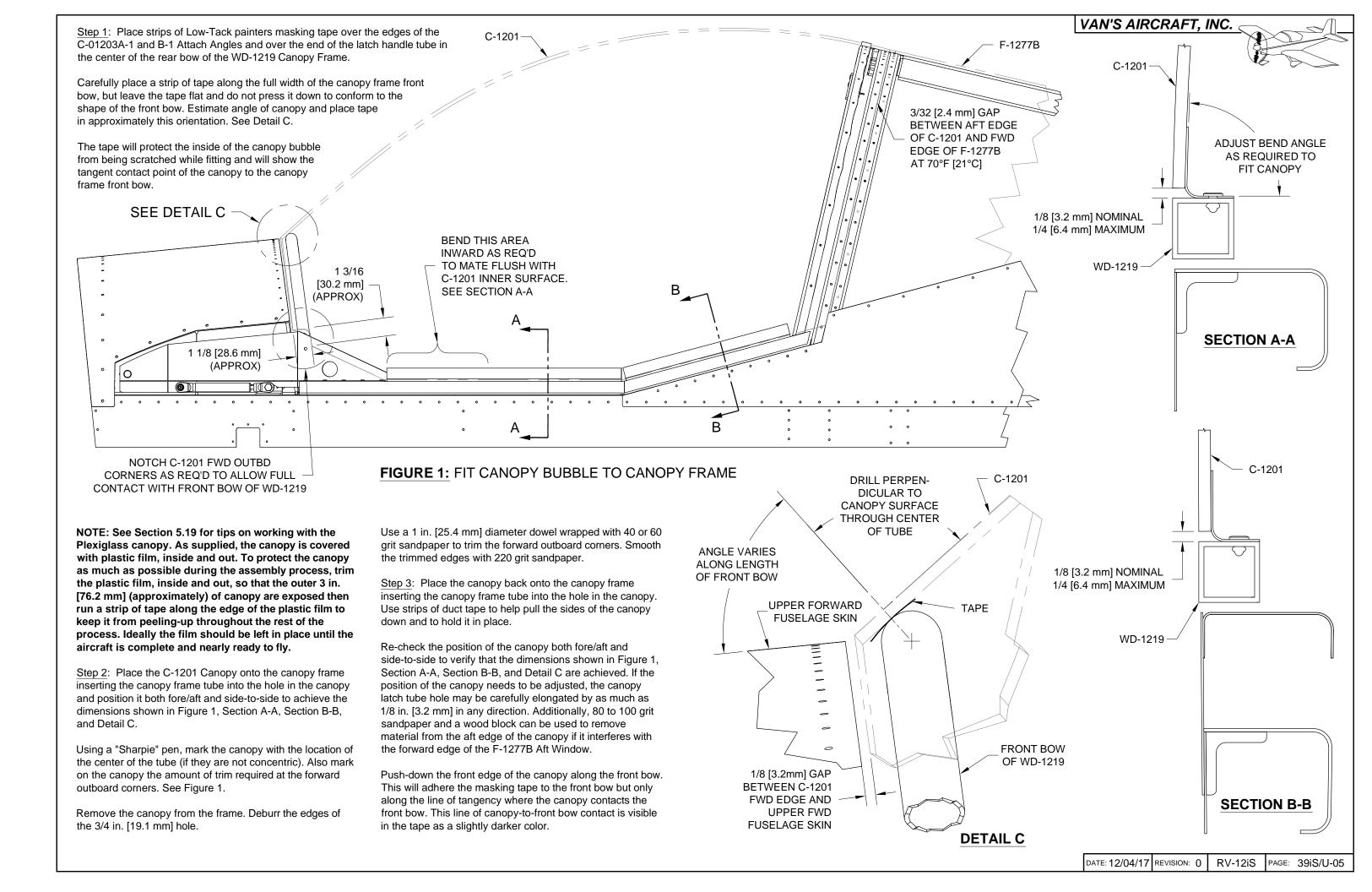
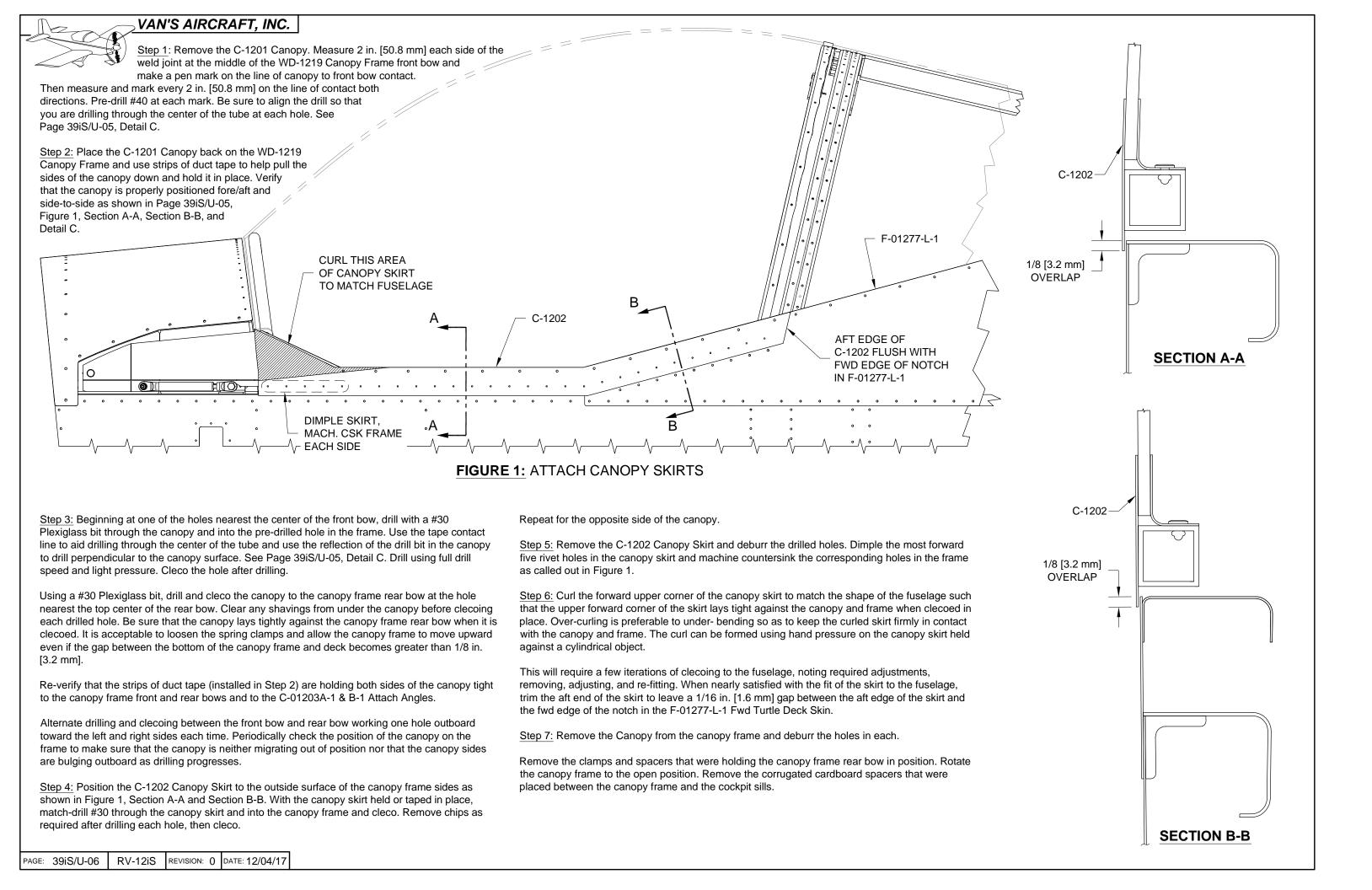


FIGURE 3:
ATTACH LATCH HANDLE STOP TO CANOPY FRAME







<u>Step 1:</u> You will need to have a non-claustrophobic friend/spouse/child help you with this step. After having your helper climb into the cockpit, rotate the WD-1219 Canopy Frame back down to the closed position. Hand one of the wood spacers to your helper.

Place the C-1201 Canopy back into place on the canopy frame and re-cleco.

<u>Step 2</u>: Re-cleco both C-1202 Canopy Skirts to the canopy frame. Be sure that the canopy is clecoed along the full width of the front and rear bows. Use duct tape if/as required to pull the canopy sides down between the front and rear bows.

Match-Drill using a #30 Plexiglass bit through the upper row of holes in the canopy skirt through the Canopy and C-01203A-1 and C-1203B-1 Attach Angles. (The Plexiglass bit will easily cut through the thin aluminum attach angles.) Have your helper hold the wood spacer against the canopy attach angles to resist the drill pressure. Cleco each hole after drilling.

Repeat for the opposite side of the canopy.

Step 3: Remove the Canopy from the fuselage and set it on your work table. Your helper can now be set free!

Final-Drill all holes in the canopy using a #27 Plexiglass bit. Deburr the drilled holes in the canopy.

Machine countersink the holes along the front edge of the canopy to fit the head of an AACQ4-4 blind rivet. Countersinks that are up to .015 in. [.4 mm] too shallow are acceptable and are preferable to countersinks that are even slightly too deep.

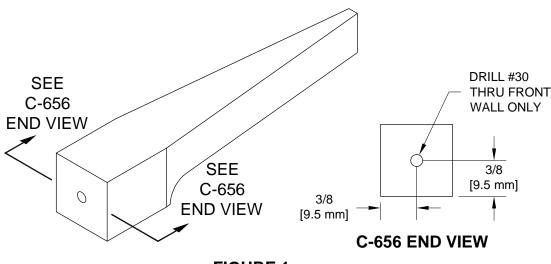


FIGURE 1: PILOT-DRILL CANOPY HANDLE

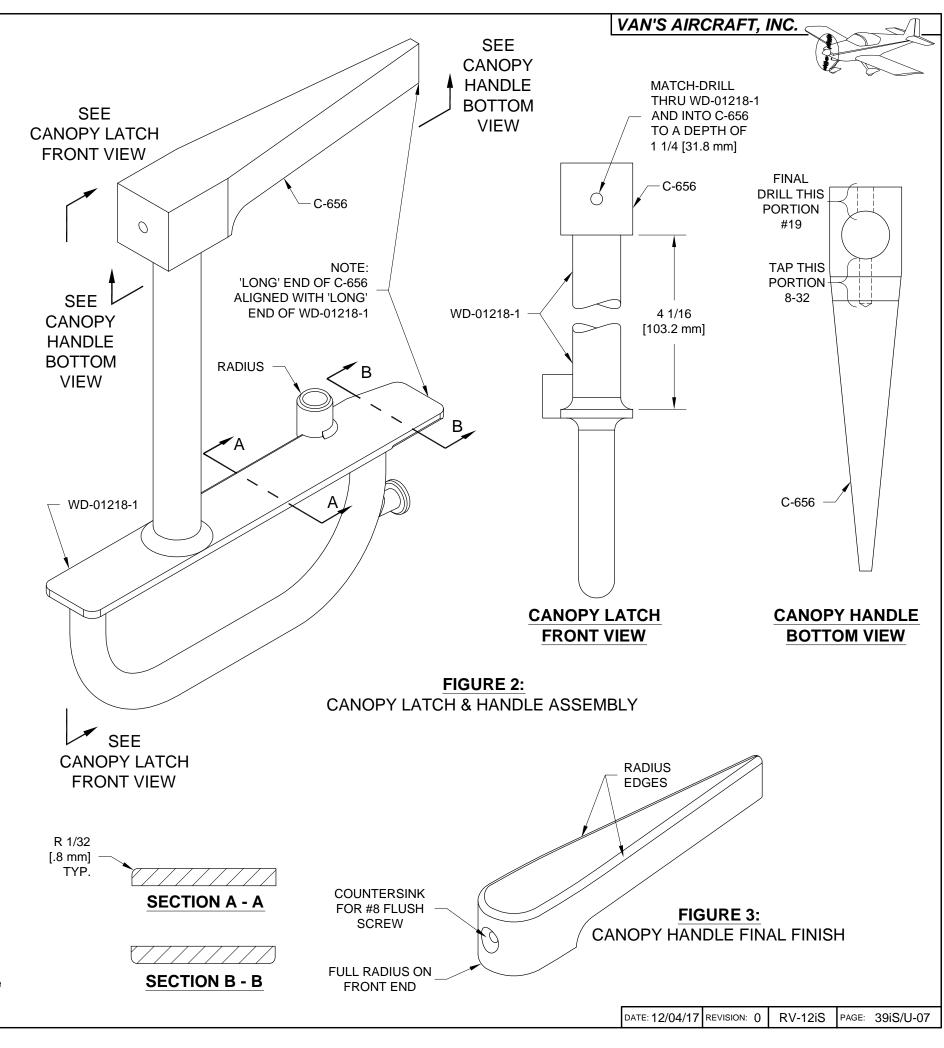
Step 4: Drill a pilot hole in the end of the C-656 Canopy Handle as shown in Figure 1.

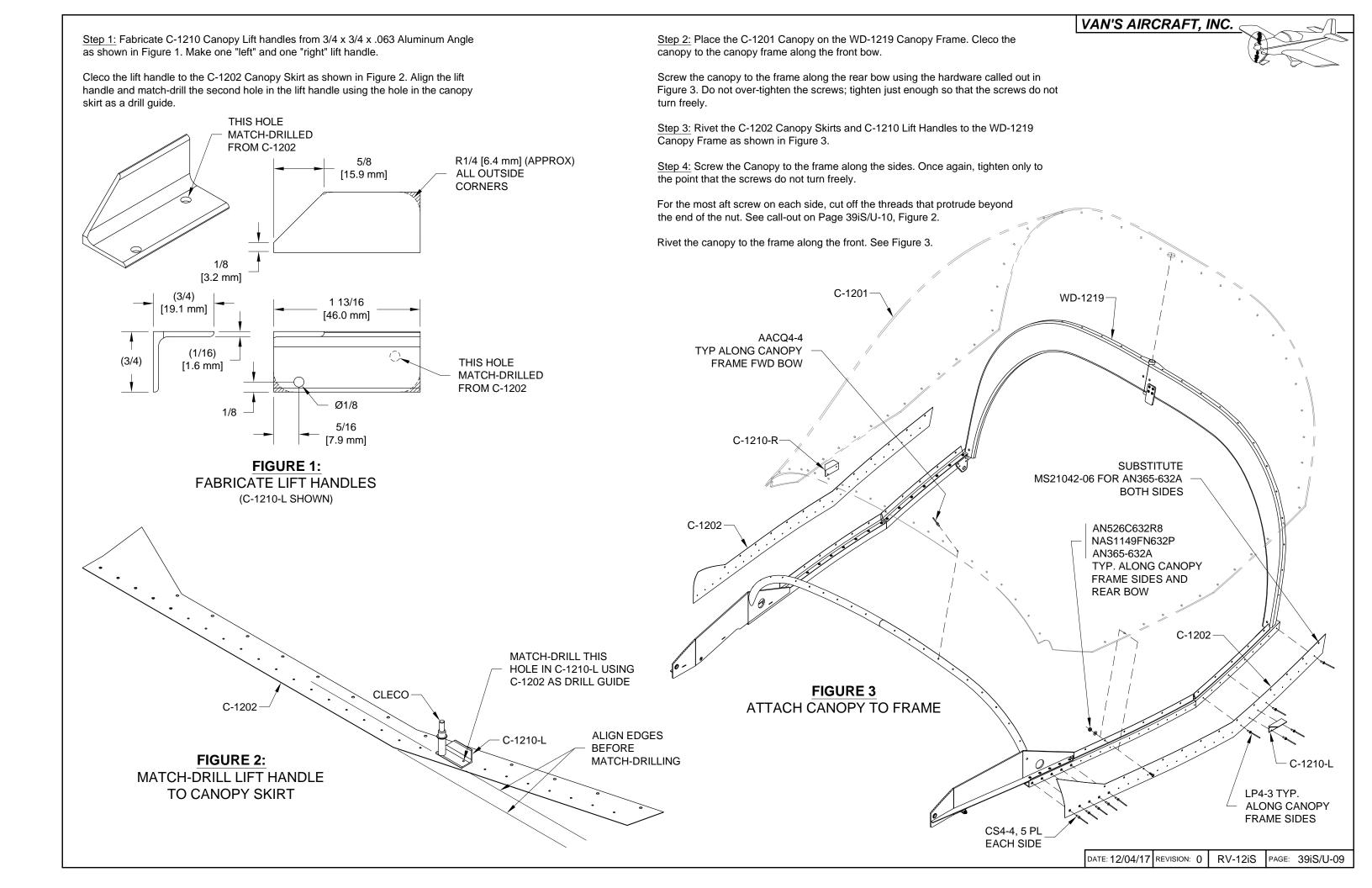
Take the WD-01218-1 Canopy Latch and C-656 Canopy Handle and assemble them as shown in Figure 2. The tube end of the canopy latch may be shortened if/as required to achieve the dimension called out in Figure 2.

Using the pilot hole in the canopy handle as a drill guide, match-drill #30 through both sides of the canopy latch tube and into the canopy handle to the depth called out in Figure 2.

Disassemble the canopy latch and canopy handle. Final-Drill #19 through the front part of the canopy handle. Final-Drill #19 through the canopy latch. Deburr holes. Cut threads in the rear "tail" portion of the canopy handle using an 8-32 tap. Machine countersink the canopy handle to fit the head of a #8 flush screw.

Round off the edges of the latch plate as shown in Figure 2, Sections A-A and B-B. The canopy handle edges and ends may be rounded if/as desired. See Figure 3 for an example of a final shape.





Step 1: Chamfer the inside of BUSHING-AL.509X.625X.281 allowing it to sit lower on the WD-01218-1 Canopy Latch tube as shown in Figure 1.

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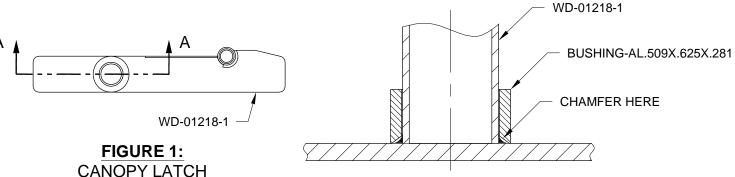
(TOP VIEW)

Step 2: Install the WD-01218-1 Canopy Latch, called out bushing, C-671 Plastic Washer and C-656 Canopy Handle on the WD-1219 Canopy Frame as shown in Figure 2.

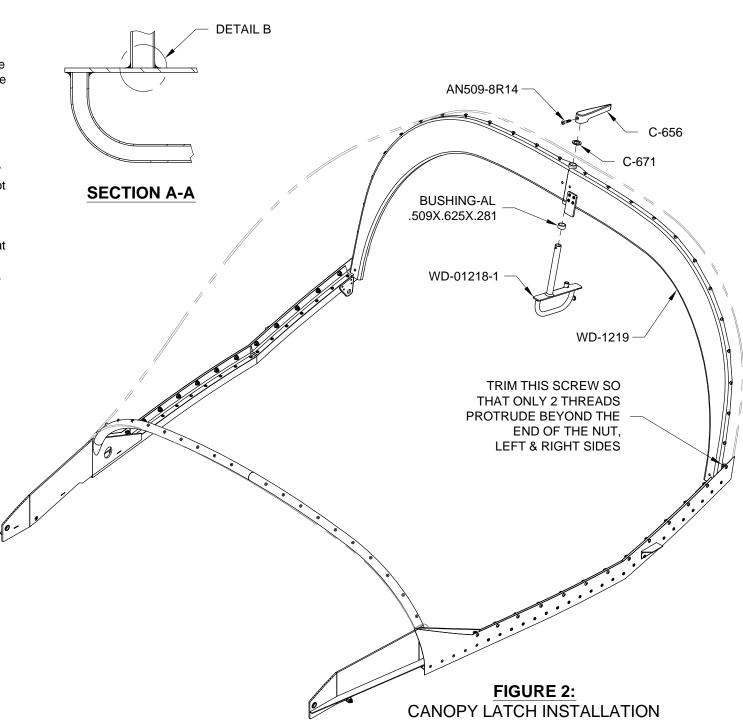
If the canopy latch rotates freely enough in the canopy frame tube that it will turn under its own weight when the canopy is rotated up to the open position, then the bottom of the canopy frame tube should be carefully pinched slightly so as to create enough friction to prevent undesired rotation.

When installing the canopy latch for the final time, lightly grease the pivot tube so as to prevent corrosion and to help keep water out.

Step 3: Remove the canopy struts at this time and set aside until the fiberglass lay-up has been trimmed.



**DETAIL B CHAMFER BUSHING** 



Step 4: Place the canopy on the fuselage, installing the pivot bolts but not the gas struts.

Step 5: From inside the cockpit lower the canopy and rotate the latch to the closed position. It is acceptable for the latch plate to strike the ramped portion of the block. See Figures 3 and 4.

If there is any gap between the top surface of the latch plate and the lower surface of the guide block that allows canopy movement (even though the latch is fully closed and the latch pin is snapped into the detent in the guide block) remove the guide block and add one or two C-01205B Shims between guide block and roll bar to lower the block and eliminate the gap. See Figure 4.

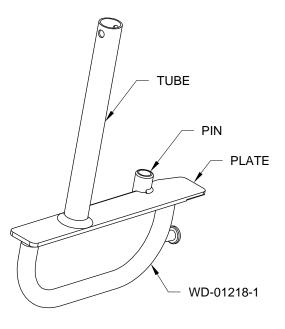
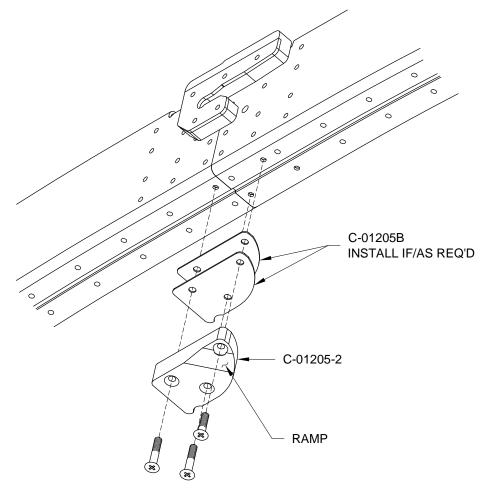


FIGURE 3: CANOPY LATCH



**FIGURE 4: SHIM INSTALLATION** 

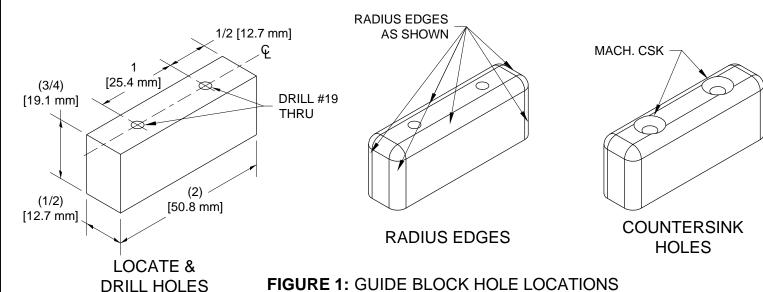
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Step 2: Radius the edges of each C-1212 Guide Block as shown in Figure 1, "RADIUS EDGES".

Step 3: Machine countersink the two holes in each C-1212 Guide Block to fit the head of a #8 flush screw. See Figure 1, "COUNTERSINK HOLES". Countersinks that are up to .015 in. [.4 mm] too deep are acceptable and are preferable to countersinks that are too shallow.



Step 4: Unlatch the canopy and rotate it up to the open position.

Measure, mark, and drill the indicated hole in the F-1231A-FL and F-1231A-FR Roll Bar Frames as shown in Figure 2. (Later frames have the hole pre-punched.)

Hold one of the C-1212 Guide Blocks against the front of the roll bar frame and use one of the holes in the guide block to ensure that the tap remains aligned while cutting threads. Remove the guide block and clear away chips then temporarily attach the guide block to the roll bar frame using the same hole that was used to guide the tap. See Figure 2.

Select the remaining guide block and repeat the tap process for the opposite side.

<u>Step 5</u>: Rotate each of the guide blocks on it's screw until the lower outboard corner is just tangent to the outside surface of the roll bar frames as shown in Figure 2.

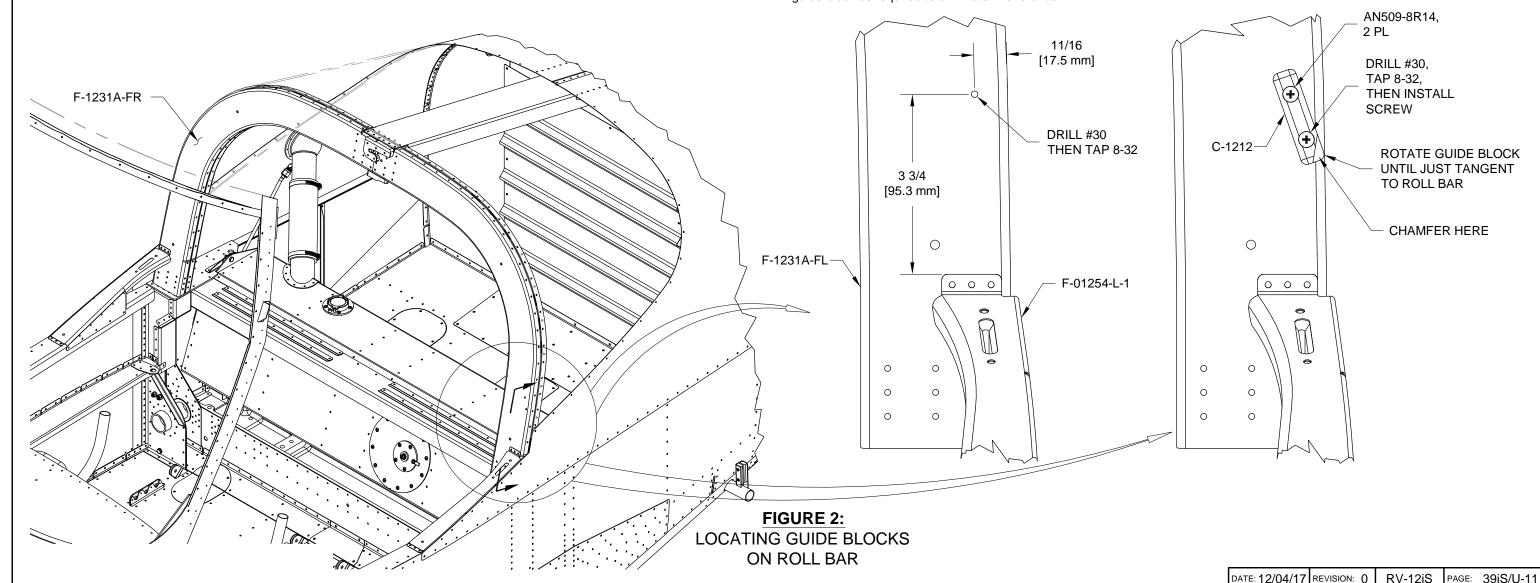
With the guide block held in proper position, run a #19 drill through the open hole in the guide block to make a mark on the roll bar frame. Repeat for the opposite side.

Rotate the guide block to expose the mark and drill #30 through the roll bar frame. Repeat for the opposite side.

Rotate the guide block back to it's proper position and tap using the hole in the guide block to hold the tap aligned while cutting threads. Repeat for the opposite side.

Clear away chips and final install both guide blocks as shown in Figure 2.

<u>Step 6:</u> Rotate the canopy down to the closed position. As the canopy nears the fully closed position, verify that there is no interference between any screws and the lower outboard corners of the guide blocks. Chamfer the lower outboard corner of the guide block as required to eliminate interference.



Step 1: A void needs to be made to accommodate the C-1217A Fwd Seal, (Page 39iS/U-19). Fabricate the

C-00003 Seal Spacer by cutting AS3-025X.5X43 to the length shown in Figure 2.

Measure the thickness of your duct tape to determine the number of layers needed to achieve the dimension provided. Wrap the seal spacer in duct tape. Begin by placing the edge of the spacer along the edge of the tape.

Raise the canopy. Align the wrapped spacer along the aft edge of the F-01240-1 Upper Fwd Fuse Skin. See Figure 1 detail and View A-A. Work the excess width of the tape downward onto the aft face of the panel jig as shown in the Figure 1 detail, making relief cuts to allow the tape to lie flat. Add layers as required to achieve the total thickness shown, which includes .010 in. [.3 mm] for paint.

Step 2: Use masking tape and paper to cover the F-12133 Instrument Panel Jig, F-01202B-1 Panel Base and the coves where the canopy frame forward arms nest when the canopy is closed. Form a pocket in the cover to catch dripping epoxy.

F-01240-1 ONE LAYER OF DUCT TAPE C-00003 DUCT **TAPE** SEE DETAIL .070 - .080[1.8-2.0 mm] **REMOVE SCREWS** F-01270-L-1 ADD BACKING IN VOIDS TO SUPPORT CLOTH **DUCT TAPE TOTAL THICKNESS** OFFSET REFERENCE LINE PARALLEL TO SKIRT EDGE

Place duct tape along the upper edge of the F-01270-L-1 & -R-1 Fuselage Side Skins from the firewall to approximately 24 to 30 in. [61-76 cm] aft of the firewall. See Figure 1 call-out for thickness.

Remove the three most forward screws on each side as called out in Figure 1.

Lower the canopy.

Mark an offset reference line onto the F-01270-L-1 & -R-1 parallel to the bottom of the canopy skirt to be used for establishing the trim line on the cured fiberglass. See the Figure 1 call-out.

Step 3: Place duct tape per the call-out to the side edges of

**DUCT TAPE** 

the F-01240-1 Upper Forward Fuselage Skin as shown in Figure 1. Mask-off the remaining area of the upper forward fuselage skin using masking tape and newsprint or butcher paper.

Step 4: Trim each C-1208 Canopy Foam as shown in Figure

Step 5: Position the trimmed C-1208 Canopy Foam in place on the canopy frame as shown in Figure 4.

Push each canopy foam aft against the forward edge of the C-1202 Canopy Skirts so that the canopy skirts crush the canopy foam to a depth of approximately 1/32 in. [.8 mm].

Push each canopy foam inboard against the head of the AN4 bolt that the canopy frame pivots on so that the bolt head crushes the canopy foam to a depth of approximately 1/32 in. [.8 mm].

Using a Sharpie (fine tip permanent marker) pen, trace the

shape of the upper forward fuselage onto the inboard side of each canopy foam.

Remove the canopy foam and trim the upper edge to the sharpie mark. Use a hack-saw blade. Using a unibit, drill a 7/8 diameter hole through the canopy foam at the center of the mark made by the AN4 bolt head.

Use a piece of 80 to 100 grit sandpaper to scuff the surface of the canopy frame where the canopy foam will be in contact. Scuff so that the gloss is removed from the entire aluminum

Glue the canopy foam to the canopy frame using epoxy thickened with flox. Flox should be added to the resin until the mixture is just thick enough that it won't pour when the mixing cup is tipped.

Spread a thin (approx. 1/16 in. [1.6 mm]) layer of thickened epoxy on the mating surface of the foam. Achieve a good bond between the canopy foam and canopy frame but use care so as not to get any epoxy/flox mixture on the pivot bolt or washers.

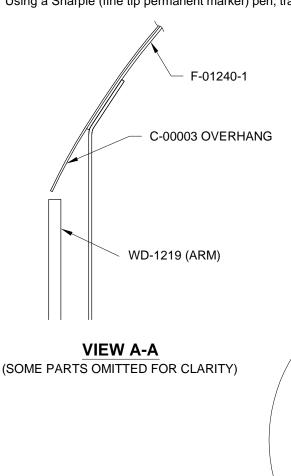
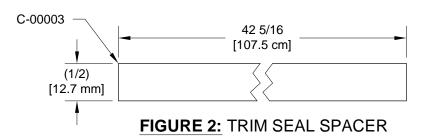
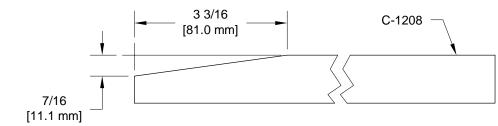
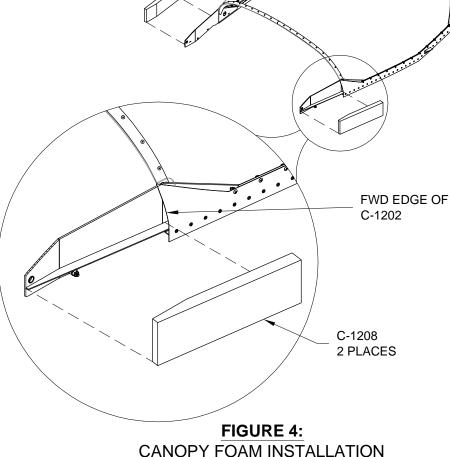


FIGURE 1: SEAL SPACER & PROTECTIVE TAPE PLACEMENT





**FIGURE 3:** TRIM CANOPY FOAM



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.050-.060 [1.3-1.5 mm]

Step 1: Using a 15 to 18 in. [38 to 46 cm] long by 3 in. [76.2 mm] wide sanding block with 80 grit sandpaper, shape the C-1208 Canopy Foam to match the contours of the forward fuselage. Use the sanding block held in an approximately fwd/aft direction guiding on the fuselage structure to achieve the desired shape.

Step 2: Cut out the CANOPY MASKING GUIDE & GLASS FABRIC PLY TEMPLATES. (These are supplied full scale on a separate 24 X 36 in. [61.0 X 91.4 cm] drawing.) Using several small pieces of masking tape align both right and left side templates to the canopy and tape in place.

Step 3: Place a strip of good quality electrical tape on the canopy closely following the edge of the paper templates. Use tape to bridge between the right and left templates following the line established by the templates. When bridging between right and left sides, project the line from the template on one side across the center of the canopy to match the line from the template on the other side.

Carefully remove the templates and set them aside to be used in the next

Place a second layer of electrical tape on top of the first layer. Mask-off the entire canopy above and aft of the double layer of electrical tape.

Step 4: Cut ten plies (two each of ply #1 through #5 as called out on the CANOPY MASKING GUIDE & GLASS FABRIC PLY TEMPLATE) from 9 oz./square yard [305 g/sq. m], plain weave E-Glass fabric. Use a rotary cutter on a smooth, relatively soft surface when cutting (the finished side of the crate your kit was delivered in makes a good surface for the rotary cutter). Cut the plies to the size and shape defined on the template. The templates will not be used again, so it is acceptable to cut the template down as you are cutting the plies.

Arrange the cut plies into two neat sequential stacks with ply #5 at the bottom of each.

Step 5: Sand the exposed canopy with 60 to 80 grit sandpaper. Sand the canopy skirt where glass fabric will be bonded. Use extra care to be sure that there are no shiny or glossy areas anywhere on the canopy or canopy skirts that will have glass fabric bonded to them. There must be NO visible shiny or glossy spots on any of the surfaces. Brush away (with a new paint brush) or gently blow away (using compressed air) all the sanding dust and other shop debris.

Place mylar packaging tape over the duct tape strips that are protecting the F-01240-1 Upper Forward Fuselage Skin as well as the tape over the spacer.

Apply a light coating of wax to the surface of the mylar tape. Use great care to not get wax on any surface that the glass fabric bonds to.

NOTE: The remaining steps on this page should be completed in a single work session, so you will need to budget approximately four hours of uninterrupted work time before moving forward.

Step 6: Cut away the thin edges of the C-1208 Canopy Foam along the upper edge until there is a "shelf" approximately 1/8 in. [3.2 mm] wide.

Mix epoxy and thicken with flox to create a paste and fill the just created gaps with the thickened resin mixture. See Figure 1 and Page 39iS/U-14, Figure 2.

Step 7: Place a piece (or pieces) of plastic food wrap on your work table. Place ply #1 on the plastic wrap and wet it out with epoxy. Use bondo squeegee to ensure that fabric is wetted with epoxy but not excessively so.

Brush a coat of epoxy on the porous outer surface of the final-shaped canopy foam as well as on the surfaces of the canopy and canopy skirts that will have glass fabric bonded to them.

Pick up the plastic food wrap with ply #1 on it and position it on the canopy. Working through the plastic wrap, smooth-out the glass fabric and work the edges until they bridge across any unsupported areas with little sag. When satisfied with the placement of ply #1, carefully peel the plastic wrap away

Step 8: Allow resin to cure to the point that it is beginning to gel, but is still tacky. While the epoxy for ply #1 is still uncured, place ply #2 (dry) in place on the canopy and wet it out with epoxy resin. Use care while wetting-out the ply #2 fabric so as not to disturb the placement of ply #1. Place and wet-out ply #2 on the opposite side of the

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Continue placing successive plies until ply #5 has been placed and wetted-out on both sides of the canopy. While still wet, cover the entire lay-up with peel ply (if desired) to minimize sanding before the next portion of the canopy fairing is layed-up. The peel ply should fully wet-out with resin when applied. It will easily pull-off after the resin is cured.

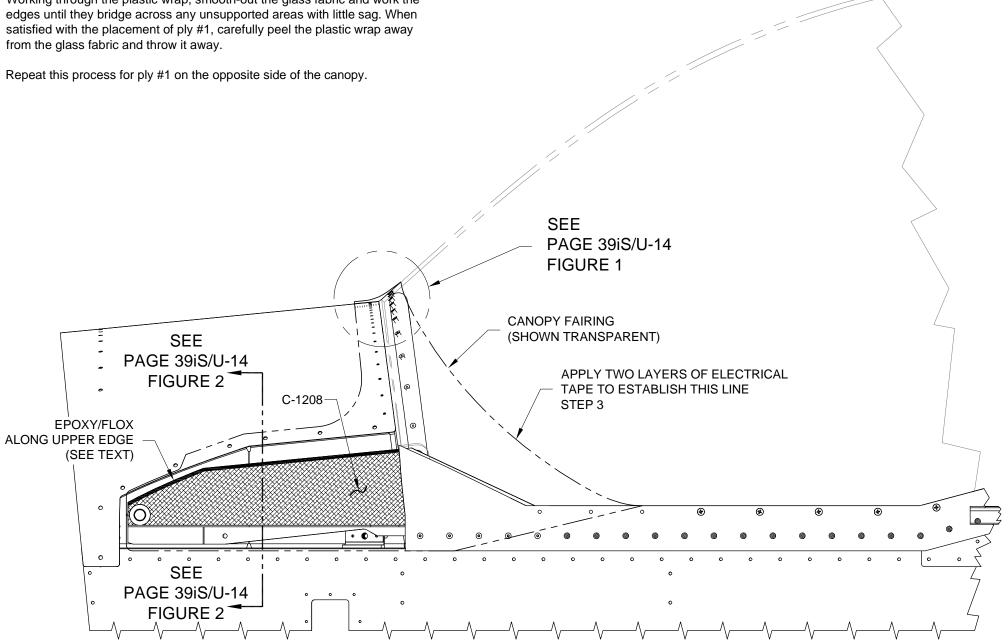


FIGURE 1: GLASS FABRIC CANOPY FAIRING LAY-UP



Step 1: Cut strips of glass fabric that are 36 in. [91.4 cm] long with quantities and widths as listed in Table 1.

Use a rotary cutter along with a long straight edge when cutting these long skinny strips. Arrange the cut plies into a neat sequential stack with ply #13 at the bottom.

Width	mm	Qty	Figure 1 Ply#
2 3/4	[69.9]	1	1
2 1/2	[63.5]	2	2, 12
2 1/4	[57.2]	1	13
2	[50.8]	1	3
3/4	[19.1]	2	5, 9
1/2	[12.7]	3	4, 6, 10
3/8	[9.5]	2	7, 11
1/4	[6.4]	1	8

**TABLE 1:** LAY-UP SCHEDULE

entirely.

NOTE: The next step on this page should be completed in a single work session, so you will need to budget approximately three hours of uninterrupted work time before moving forward. Exact ply placement and number can be adjusted to provide the best smooth transitional shape.

Step 2: Remove the peel ply (if used) from the previous lay-ups. If peel ply was not used, sand the most inboard three inches of the previous lay-up with 60 to 80 grit sandpaper. Use extra care to be sure that there are no un-sanded areas anywhere on the previous lay-up that will have glass fabric bonded to them. Brush away (with a new paint brush) or gently blow away (using compressed air) all the sanding dust and other shop debris.

Step 3: Place a piece of plastic food wrap on your work table. Place ply #1 on the plastic wrap and wet it out with epoxy. Use a bondo squeegee to ensure that the glass fabric is wetted with epoxy but not excessively so.

Brush a coat of epoxy on the surfaces of the canopy and previous lay-ups that will have glass fabric bonded to them.

Pick up the plastic food wrap with ply #1 on it and position it on the canopy. Place the edge of ply #1 against the edge of the electrical tape. Place the end of ply #1 such that it overlaps the previous lay-up by approximately 1/2 in. [12.7 mm]. Working through the plastic wrap, smooth-out the glass fabric and work the edges until they bridge across the unsupported areas with little sag. When satisfied with the placement of ply #1, carefully peel the plastic wrap away from the glass fabric and throw it away.

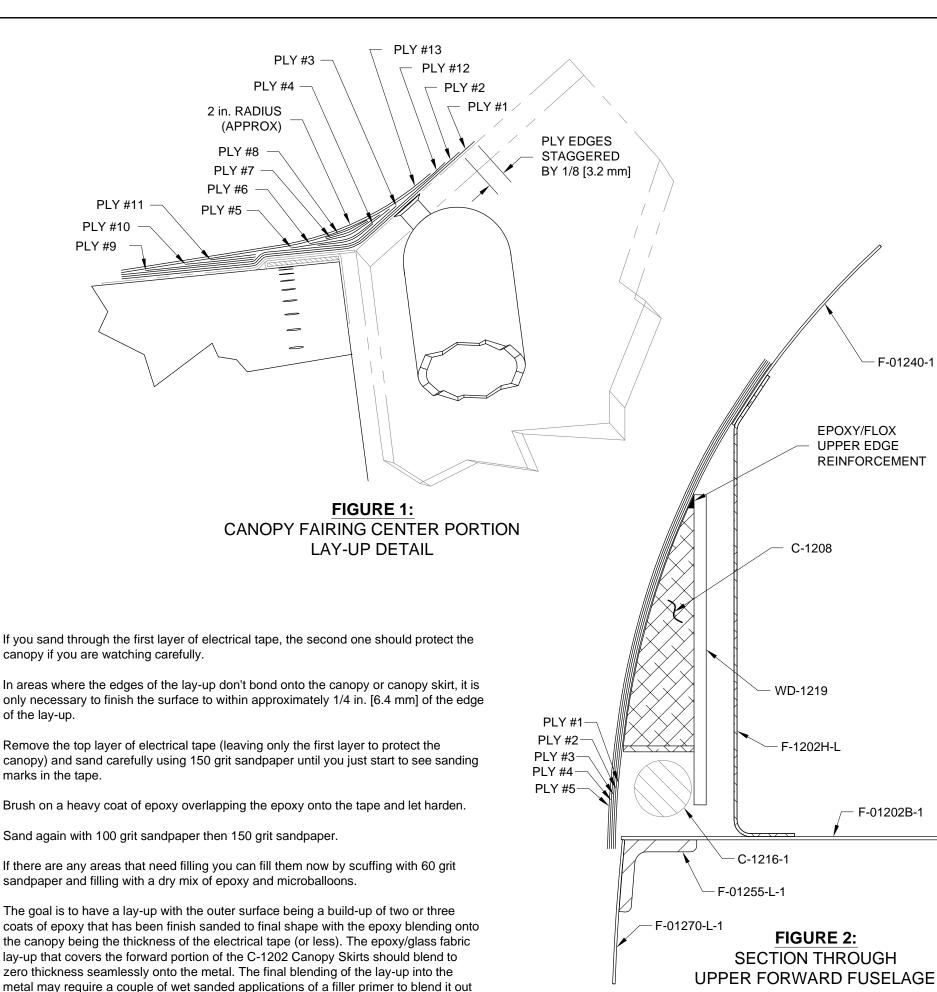
Work from one side across to the other and trim the ply to achieve 1/2 in. [12.7 mm] overlap "in-place" as the last few inches are layed down.

Step 4: Allow resin to cure to the point that it is beginning to gel, but is still tacky. With the epoxy for ply #1 still uncured, place ply #2 (dry) in place on the canopy and wet it out with epoxy resin. Place the edge of ply #2 1/8 in. [3.2 mm] below the edge of ply #1 as shown in Figure 1. Place the end of ply #2 such that it overlaps the end of ply #1 by approximately 1/2 in. [12.7 mm]. Use care while wetting-out the ply #2 fabric so as not to disturb the placement of ply #1. Trim the other end to achieve 1/2 in. [12.7 mm] overlap.

Continue placing successive plies until ply #13 has been placed and wetted-out. Place the edges of the plies as shown in Figure 1. Stagger the ends of the various plies so that the thickness of the new lay-up transitions smoothly into the previous lay-ups thus preventing "lumps" that make final finishing more difficult.

Step 5: Allow everything to cure for a day or so before beginning the finishing process. Start with 60 to 80 grit sandpaper on a flat sanding block for the sides and use a round (approximately 2 in. [50.8 mm] radius) sanding block for the center. This will get you quickly to the general shape, but be careful to not get into the electrical tape that is protecting the canopy.

When you get down near the tape, switch to about 80 to 100 grit sandpaper and work very carefully until you are just contacting the tape and the canopy skirt metal on the edges of the lay-up.



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**UPPER EDGE** REINFORCEMENT

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AND CANOPY FRAME

PAGE: 39iS/U-14 RV-12iS REVISION: 0 DATE: 12/04/17 Step 1: Draw a trim line onto the surface of the cured fiberglass lay-up that is parallel to the offset reference line drawn onto the side of the fuselage earlier and that is collinear to the lower edge of the C-1202 Canopy Skirt. See Page 39iS/U-12 Figure 1.

Step 2: Drill a 3/8 diameter hole through the glass fabric lay-up at the location of the canopy pivot bolt centers. Carefully enlarge the holes to 13/16 in. [20.6 mm] using a file or coarse sandpaper wrapped around a drill bit.

With the canopy pivot bolts now accessible remove the bolts and then remove the canopy. Remove the tape protecting the upper forward fuselage and fuselage side skins.

<u>Step 3:</u> Re-drill the three holes on each side where screws were removed and re-install the screws, washers and nuts.

Trim the lower edges (the edges that slightly overlap the F-01270-L-1 & -R-1 Fuselage Side Skins) of the glass fabric lay-up along the line drawn in Step 1.

Step 4: Cut out the CANOPY LAY-UP TRIM TEMPLATE. (This is supplied full scale on a separate 24 X 36 in. [61.0 X 91.4 cm] drawing.) Using several small pieces of masking tape, align the template to the canopy and tape in place. Mark the trim line on the glass fabric lay-up using the template as a guide. ( Page 39iS/U-13, Figure 1 also depicts the final-trim of the glass fabric lay-up.) Remove the template and use it to mark the opposite side of the canopy. Trim the glass fabric lay-up to the trim lines. Finish sand the trimmed edges.

Step 5: Reinstall the struts then place the canopy back on the fuselage and re-install the pivot bolts. Carefully pivot the canopy up while observing the relationship of the forward edges of the glass fabric lay-up and the upper forward fuselage. If there is any impending interference, stop moving the canopy and mark where the glass fabric lay-up needs to be trimmed to clear the fuselage as it pivots up. Remove the canopy and trim as required. Repeat this process until the canopy can be fully opened without any interference between the glass fabric lay-up and the fuselage.

Step 6: Brush-coat with epoxy the exposed areas of the C-1208 Canopy Foam inside the pivot bolt cavities and along the front edge of the canopy foam where the glass fabric lay-up does not cover it. This will seal the foam and make it more durable. The epoxy may be thickened with flox if needed to fill gaps or cavities. Finish sand these areas as desired. Repetition of the brush coat may be necessary after finish sanding.

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NOTE: The Base Seal is intended to be cut longer than necessary in order to provide something to hold onto while installing.

<u>Step 1:</u> Fabricate the F-00059A-L & -R Base Seals from SEAL-00003 Foam PVC .375X.625 per the dimensions shown in Figure 1.

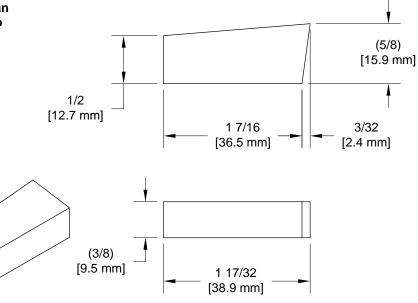


FIGURE 1: FABRICATE BASE SEAL
LEFT SHOWN - RIGHT OPPOSITE

NOTE: Delay final installation of seals attached to painted surfaces until 5-7 days after painting is complete.

Step 2: Trim the lower inboard corner of the F-00059A-L Base Seal where it would interfere with the fillet of sealant at the bottom of the F-1202H-L Canopy Rib as shown in Figure 2, View A-A.

Step 3: Temporarily position the base seal onto the F-01202B-1 Panel Base with the seal's aft inboard corner aligned with the beginning of the bend in F-1202H-L Canopy Rib and the inboard face of the seal butted up against the canopy rib. See Figure 2.

<u>Step 4:</u> Place a reference mark on the fuselage side skin as shown. Set aside the base seal for now.

Step 5: Repeat Steps 2-5 for the F-00059A-R Base Seal.

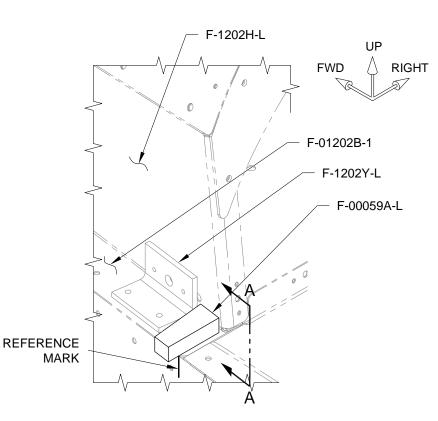
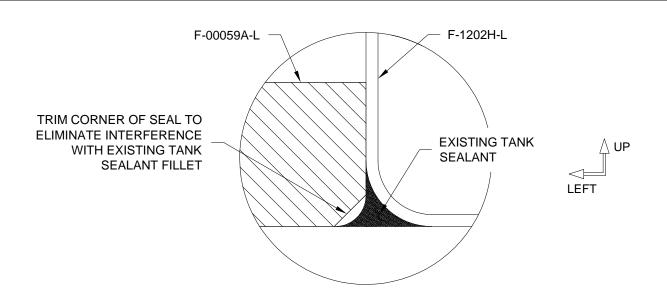
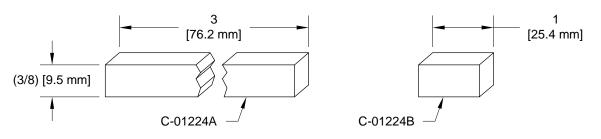


FIGURE 2: PREPARE BASE SEALS



VIEW A-A:
BASE SEAL ATTACHMENT
(SEAL SHOWN TRIMMED)

Step 6: Fabricate one C-01224A and two C-01224B Latch Seals from SEAL-00003 FOAM PVC .375X.625 per Figure 3.



**FIGURE 3:** FABRICATE LATCH SEALS

 $\underline{\text{Step 7:}}$  Close the canopy but don't latch it.

Place a piece of masking tape on the C-1201 Canopy with the tape's fwd edge parallel to the fwd edge of the C-01213B and aft the distance called out in Figure 4, View B-B.

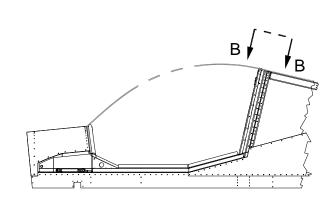
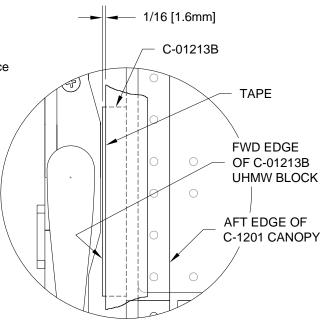


FIGURE 4: INDEX CENTER LATCH SEAL AFT EDGE



**VIEW B-B** 

## NOTE: Check for fit before priming or painting the C-01221-L/R Seal Retainers.

Step 1: Place the SEAL-00002, C-01221-L & -R Seal Retainers, a 5/16 nut driver, Phillips screwdriver, straight-slot screwdriver with the end taped over, "Sharpie" pen, and C-1219 Foam Spacer (see Page 39iS/U-18 Section C-C) inside the cockpit and climb inside.

Step 2: With the canopy assembly open loosen the nuts attaching the C-1201 Canopy to the canopy frame enough to allow the retainers to slide in between the frame and the washers.

Install the C-01221-L & -R Seal Retainers as shown in Figure 1 and Figure 3, Section B-B.

Tighten the screws just enough to hold the retainers in place and still allow the retainers to be adjusted with the taped screwdriver.

Step 3: Push the end of the SEAL-00002 into the gap between the canopy and the seal retainer starting at the lower end of the left retainer. Match the end of the seal to the end of the retainer.

Push in the seal until reaching the upper end of the retainer then mark the seal at the end of the retainer. Pull out the last few inches of seal and cut with scissors at the mark. When cut, the seal is designated C-01220-L. Reinstall the C-01220-L and repeat this step for the right side (C-01220-R).

Step 4: Verify the seals are fully seated along the entire length of both seal retainers. See Section R-R

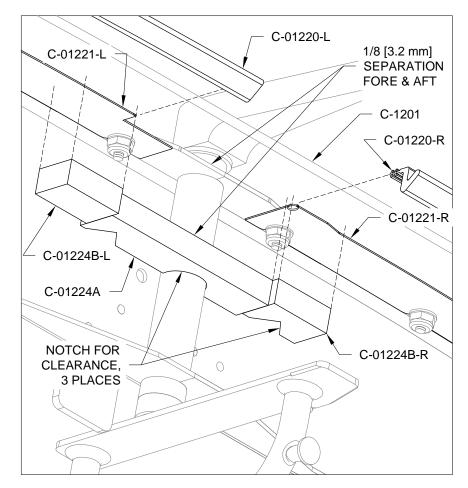


FIGURE 1: SEAL RETAINER & ROLL BAR SEAL INSTALLATION

Step 5: Close and latch the canopy with an assistant stationed on the wing walk and the Phillip's screwdriver in hand.

NOTE: The assistant's job is to observe the seal gap from outside the canopy and tell the one on the inside which direction the seal retainer and seal should be moved and by how much.

<u>Step 6:</u> Pry the seal retainer fwd or aft with the taped screw-driver to obtain the amount of seal-to-roll bar engagement called out in the Section B-B detail.

NOTE: If the retainer is pushed fwd as far as it will go but the seal is tightly compressed, trim the aft edge of the retainer to relieve the seal. If the fwd edge of the retainer is riding the radius of the frame trim back the fwd edge of the retainer.

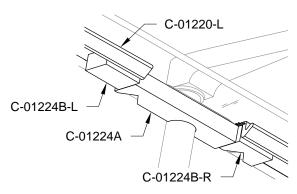
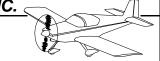


FIGURE 2: COMPLETED SEAL INSTALLATION

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<u>Step 7:</u> Mark the retainer before removal for an accurate reinstallation (fore and aft). Trim the retainer if necessary, deburr, prime, and paint if desired.

NOTE: Do not over-tighten canopy attach screws, rather tighten just enough to prevent screws from turning freely.

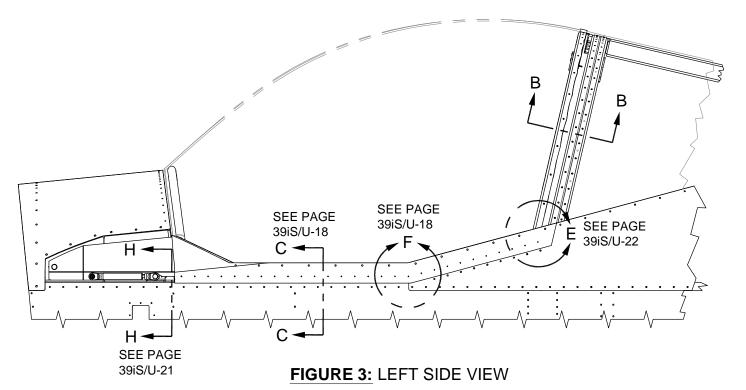
Step 8: Reinstall the retainers and the roll bar seals.

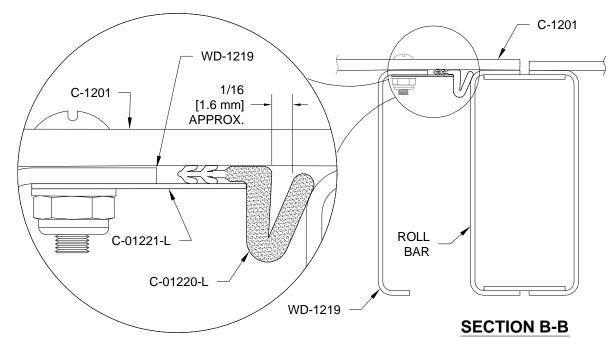
Step 9: Position the C-01224A Latch Seal laterally between the ends of the C-01220-L/R seals with the adhesive side up. Position it fore and aft so that its aft edge aligns with the fwd edge of the masking tape (See Page 39iS/U-16, View B-B).

Mark where the C-01224A will need to be relieved to fit around the tube and the nut as shown in Figures 1 and 2. Cut notches into the seal then remove the paper backing and install the C-01224A onto the canopy frame flange and C-01221-L Retainer as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Use the same process for the C-01224B-R, cutting a notch for clearance, then installing it to the C-01221-R retainer as shown in Figures 1 and 2. Butt the seal up to the end of the C-01224A latch seal and contact the fwd face of the C-01221-L roll bar seal to close the small transverse gap between the roll bar seal and the center latch seal.

Install seal C-01224B-L to the C-01221-L Retainer in similar fashion to the C-01224B-R.





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NOTE: Section C-C depicts the intended design gap between the WD-1219 Canopy Frame and the F-01234-L-1 Canopy Deck.

In some cases this gap may exceed the vertical capability of the C-1217B Side Seal which is about 1/4 in. [6.4 mm]. Compare Sections C-C and C'-C'.

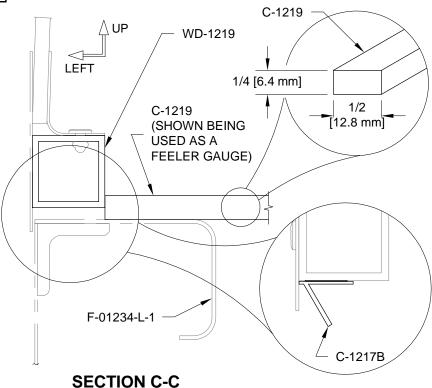
If necessary reduce this gap using the C-1219 Foam Spacer wherever the gap is large enough to allow it to slide in easily.

Step 1: From inside the cockpit, with the canopy closed and latched, attempt to slide the foam spacer into the gap between the WD-1219 Canopy Frame and F-01234-L-1 Canopy Deck, keeping in mind that the C-1217B Side Seal will also be attached later.

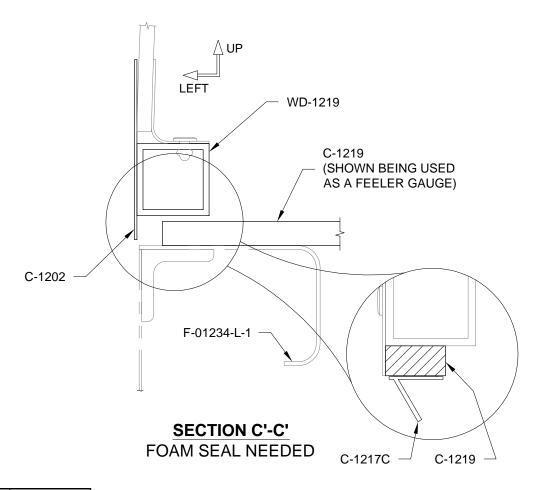
Mark the length of the canopy frame needing the foam spacer, if at all.

Repeat for the other side of the canopy.

Step 2: Clean the entire length of the underside of the square tubes.



FOAM SEAL NOT NEEDED (SEE PAGE 39iS/U-17, FIGURE 3)



Step 3 (FOAM SPACER NOT NEEDED): Skip to Step 4.

NOTE: If the C-1219 Foam Spacer is needed taper the end to provide a smoother transition for the side seal as it transitions from the square tube to the surface of the spacer. See Figure 1.

Step 3 (FOAM SPACER NEEDED): Apply the C-1219 Foam Spacer to the bottom of the square tube per the marks made in Step 1 and as shown in Section C'-C'.

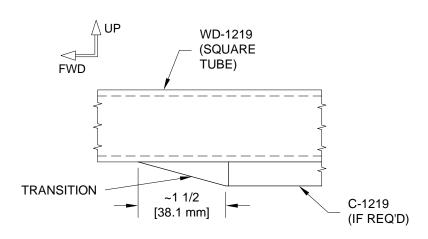


FIGURE 1: TRANSITION (LEFT SIDE VIEW, C-1202 NOT SHOWN)

<u>Step 4:</u> Determine the starting point (fwd end) of the C-1217B Side Seal by transferring the reference mark made on Page 39iS/U-16, Figure 2 to the outer surface of the C-1202 Canopy Skirt, then to the inner surface of the skirt, and finally to the bottom of the square tube.

NOTE: When a continuous length of side seal is applied around the corner joint in the square tube the seal collapses somewhat and may leak. To prevent this a two-piece seal is used to provide enough material for an overlapping joint.

Step 5: Fabricate the C-1217B and C-1217C Side Seals from SEAL-00001 LEAF SIL .313X.438.

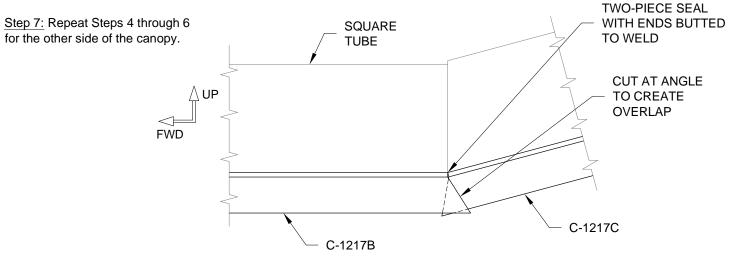
Measure the side seal length beginning from the mark (see Step 4) near the fwd end and extending aft to the corner joint. Add 1/4 in. [6.4 mm] for the overlap. Refer to this piece as the C-1217B Side Seal. See Detail F.

Attach the C-1217B Side Seal per the method described on Page 39iS/U-19, Steps 2-7.

Trim off only the C-1217B adhesive leg where it butts to the weld at the corner of the tube.

Trim the C-1217B's non-adhesive leg at the angle shown at the corner to fabricate the overlap.

 $\underline{\text{Step 6:}}$  Repeat Step 5 for the C-1217C Side Seal, this time leaving 1/4 in. [6.4 mm] extra length forward of the tube corner.



**DETAIL F:** OVERLAP AT SQUARE TUBE CORNER (SOME PARTS OMITTED FOR CLARITY, SEE PAGE 39iS/U-17, FIGURE 3)

Step 1: Inspect the underside of the fiberglass lay-up where the C-1217A Fwd Seal will attach as shown in Figure 1, Section A-A. Remove any high spots that may prevent good adhesion.

CAUTION: Mineral Spirits or other petroleum based cleaning products should NOT be used.

<u>Step 2</u>: Clean the surface to which the fwd seal is to be attached with isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol. Let the surface dry completely.

NOTE: The C-1217A Fwd Seal is intended to overlap the yet to be installed F-00059B Vertical Seal. See Page 39iS/U-21, Figure 1.

Step 3: Measure the cut length of the seal. See Figure 2 to locate seal end points. Pre-cut the seal with about one in. extra from SEAL-00001 LEAF SIL .313X.438 material before installing.

NOTE: Apply when temperature is between 50°F and 100°F. Do NOT stretch fwd seal as it can retract or shrink. Use very firm pressure when applying.

Adhesion takes delayed set. Immediate removal and resetting can be done if an error occurs in the initial placement. DO NOT reset after one hour.

<u>Step 4</u>: Remove approximately 12 in. [30.5 cm] of paper backing from the adhesive strip.

Step 5: Position the seal as shown in Section A-A and Figure 2, starting at one end and working toward the other.

<u>Step 6</u>: Remove the next 12 in. [30.5 cm] of paper backing and repeat until the entire length is installed. Trim the excess with a razor blade.

NOTE: If available use a wallpaper seam roller or similar tool to reinforce adhesion after applying.

<u>Step 7</u>: Once installed apply firm pressure along the entire surface of the seal to ensure proper adhesion.

Double-check adhesion after 2-3 hours. Full set is reached in 24 hours.

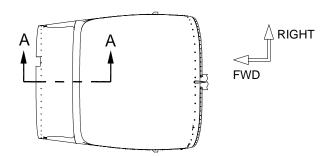
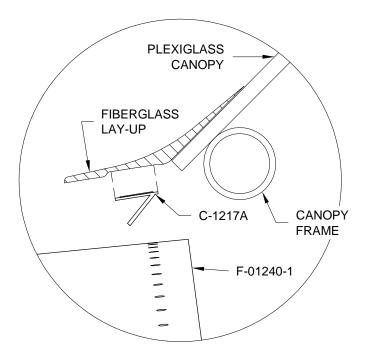
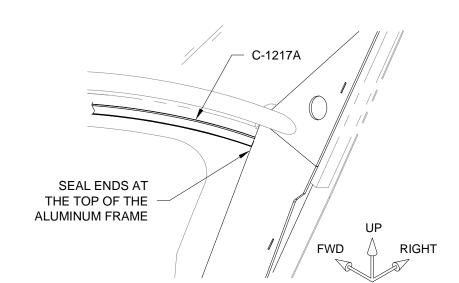


FIGURE 1: CANOPY/FWD FUSE TOP VIEW



SECTION A-A: SEAL POSITION OPEN CANOPY SHOWN



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FIGURE 2: SEAL LOCATION (OPEN CANOPY SHOWN)

Step 1: Clean the painted surfaces where the foam seals will attach.

Step 2: Apply clear silicone adhesive per the call-out to the inboard end of the F-00059A-L Base Seal and to fill the gap at the inside corner.

Step 3: Remove the base seal's paper backing and attach the seal to the F-01202B-1 Panel Base, butting it up to the F-1202H-L Canopy Rib as shown.

Apply firm pressure in order to create a good bond.

Step 4: Repeat Steps 1-3 for the F-00059A-R Base Seal.

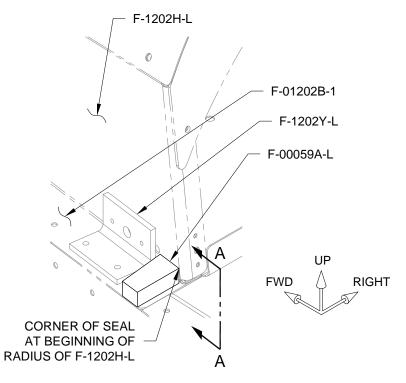
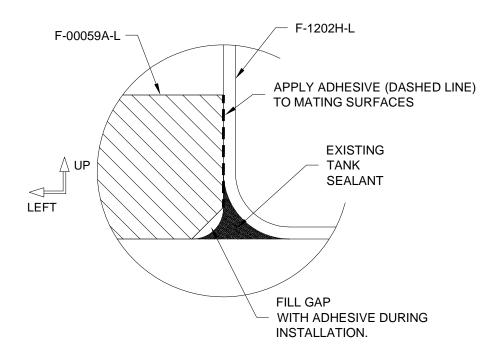


FIGURE 1: ATTACH BASE SEAL (SEAL SHOWN TRIMMED)



VIEW A-A:
BASE SEAL ATTACHMENT
(SEAL SHOWN TRIMMED)

Step 5: Temporarily position the strip of SEAL-00003 Foam PVC .375X.625 material on top of the F-00059A-L Base Seal and against the F-1202H-L Canopy Rib.

Push on the seal where it coincides with the edge of the F-01240-1 Upper Forward Fuselage Skin to indent the paper backing.

Cut the seal about 1/4 in. [6.4 mm] above the indentation. The seal will be cut to final length after installation. Hereafter the seal will be referred to as the F-00059B Vertical Seal.

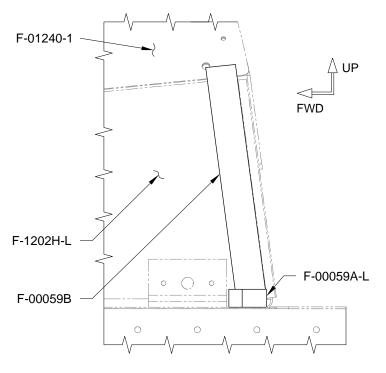


FIGURE 2: LEFT SIDE VIEW (SEAL SHOWN TRIMMED TO LENGTH)

<u>Step 1:</u> Apply a clear silicone adhesive to the lower end of the F-00059B Vertical Seal where the vertical seal will sit on top of the base seal. See Figure 1.

Remove the paper backing from the vertical seal.

Step 2: Attach the F-00059B Vertical Seal to the top of the F-00059A-L Base Seal then to the F-1202H-L Canopy Rib as shown in Figure 1.

Apply firm pressure to ensure a good bond.

Repeat Steps 1 and 2 for the right side of the fuselage.

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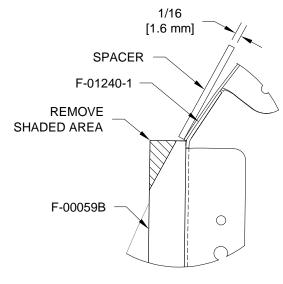
FIGURE 1: ATTACH VERTICAL SEAL

<u>Step 3:</u> Allow the foam seals and silicone adhesive to cure for 48 hours before trimming the seal or closing the canopy.

<u>Step 4:</u> After the sealant has had time to cure position a 1/16 in. [1.6 mm] spacer roughly tangent to the F-01240-1 Upper Forward Fuselage Skin surface. See View G-G.

Trim the upper end of the F-00059B Vertical Seal using a sharp razor blade atop the spacer.

Trim the outboard end of the F-00059A-L & -R to be flush with the fuselage side skin.



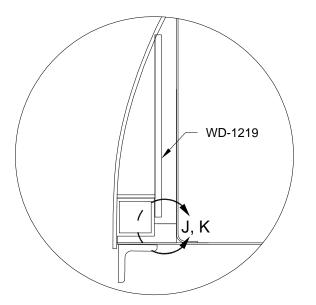
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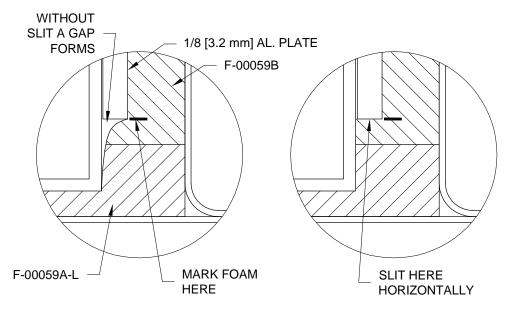


Step 5: After seal adhesive has cured, close the canopy and mark the foam adjacent to the bottom of the .125 in. [3.2 mm] thick aluminum plate which is part of the WD-1219 Canopy Frame as shown in Section H-H, Detail J.

Open the canopy and slit the F-00059B Vertical Seal horizontally at the mark approximately 1/8 in. [3.2 mm] deep to allow the bottom of the vertical seal to remain at full thickness thereby filling the gap. See Details J and K and Figure 1.

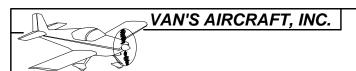


SECTION H-H: SLIT FOAM SEAL (SEE PAGE 39iS/U-17, FIGURE 3)



DETAIL J: GAP IN FOAM SEAL

**DETAIL K:**GAP CLOSED



Step 1: Fabricate four C-1222 Foam Plugs from SEAL-00003 Foam PVC .375X.625 per the dimensions shown in Figure 1.

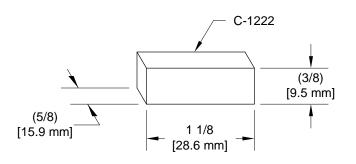
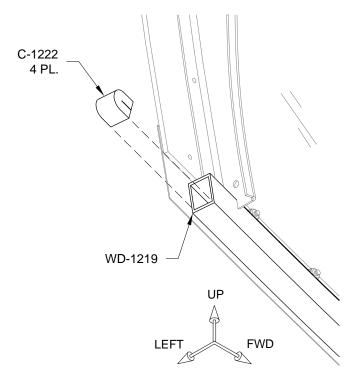


FIGURE 1: FABRICATE FOAM PLUG

<u>Step 2</u>: Remove the adhesive backing from the C-1222 Foam Plug. Double up the foam strip with the adhesive contacting itself to form a plug as shown in Detail E.

Install one foam plug into each of the forward and aft open ends of the WD-1219 Canopy Frame square tubes. Additional adhesive is not required.



DETAIL E: INSTALL FOAM PLUG
(SEE PAGE 39iS/U-17, FIGURE 3)

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Step 3: With the seals in place check the canopy latch operation.

The canopy latch was designed not only to secure the canopy in the closed position but to complete canopy seal compression. By design this operation requires a reasonable, but not excessive, amount of force.

From outside the cockpit lower the canopy and rotate the handle to the closed position. You should observe the roll bar seal compressing slightly against the roll bar as the handle is turned. If not, stop and move the roll bar seal aft. See Page 39iS/U-17 Section B-B.