

# **F-4J/S PHANTOM WALKWAYS**

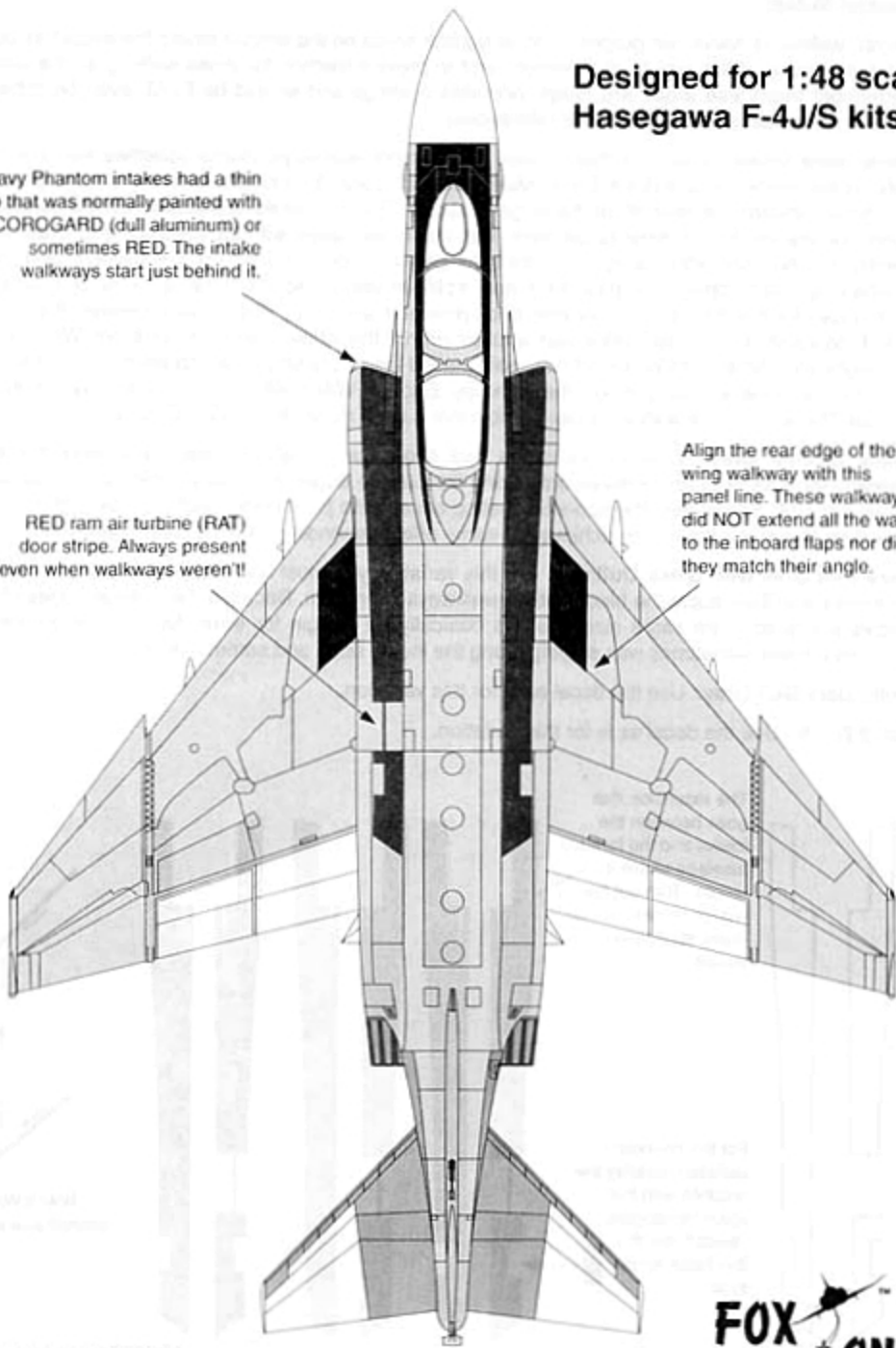
**FOR USN AND USMC AIRCRAFT**  
**for use on Gull Gray over White Schemes**

Designed for 1:48 scale  
Hasegawa F-4J/S kits

Navy Phantom intakes had a thin lip that was normally painted with COROGARD (dull aluminum) or sometimes RED. The intake walkways start just behind it.

RED ram air turbine (RAT) door stripe. Always present even when walkways weren't!

Align the rear edge of the wing walkway with this panel line. These walkways did NOT extend all the way to the inboard flaps nor did they match their angle.



This decal set was designed to give the modeler maximum versatility for applying walkways for up to nine Phantom models. It provides the most commonly used walkway styles on U.S. Navy Gull Gray/White and some overall Gull Gray schemes. The walkways were drawn using factory drawings and adjusted to fit the 1:48 scale Hasegawa F-4J/S models. They do not fit the Hasegawa F-4B/N kits, which are completely different molds, or any other manufacturers' Phantom kits.

#### General Notes:

Aircraft walkways serve two purposes, to designate areas on the aircraft where the aircraft structure can safely support the weight of a person, and to provide traction for those walking on the aircraft. Remember that these areas are rough, non-skid coatings and should be FLAT, even on schemes that are otherwise glossy. Check your references!

There were several variations that applied to Phantom walkways. Some schemes had walkways only on the wings, so an extra set is provided for each color. A common variation was the presence of notches toward the rear of the fuselage sections. These notches coincided with the location of doors for the chaff and flare dispensers. For those walkways without notches, you must either overlay the notches with the spare rectangles provided for the solid color walkways or, if doing outline only, the notches must be cut out and replaced with a section of the spare striping supplied. Red stripes for the RAT doors have also been provided since they fit into the walkways. It should be noted, however, that the red stripe was applied even if the intake walkways were not. Walkways on the wings sometimes had WALKWAY stencils placed inside the stripes which were oriented so as to read by someone standing inside the walkway. Enough WALKWAY stencils are provided for two aircraft. There were four walkway color combinations used most often on the F-4J/S:

**Black Outline Only:** Outlined walkways had two basic variations: outlines around the entire walkway (on fuselage) and outlines only along the outside edges. For this variation you must cut the inside edge off. Sometimes the non-skid coating caused the paint underneath to look slightly darker. The clear film of the decal may achieve the same effect depending on what clear coats you use.

**Dark Gull Gray with Black Outlines:** For this variation you must first apply the solid dark gull gray walkways and then apply the black outline walkways over them. Because the outside edges of both decals are exactly the same size, there is basically no margin for error. As with the outline-only walkways, there sometimes was striping along the inside edge and sometimes not.

**Solid Dark Gull Gray:** Use the decal as is for this variation.

**Solid Black:** Use the decal as is for this variation.

