

KATO JAPAN GE P42

Use a #148 coupler and #242 gearbox.

The first is a GE P42 loco and it comes with Kato's knuckle coupler in a separate coupler box. Unfortunately, these Kato couplers have their whisker centering springs pointing rearward rather than forward. This means using a standard Kadee #148 whisker coupler in their box there's nothing forward of the pivoting post for the springs to index (press) against. However, on this model you can fit a #242 (#148) box into their mounting and use their screw. You'll need to file the sides of the #242 box and trim off the lips so the box can slide far enough into the pocket to use the original screw.