

Trombone Care

Take extra care to prevent exposure to sudden changes in temperature and humidity.

Avoid direct, extended exposure to:

- Sunlight • Heaters • Air Conditioners

Remove all moisture after you have finished playing.



Assembling Your Trombone -

Assemble, tune, clean and lubricate your instrument for the first time under the guidance of your teacher.

Insert the slide section into the bell section. The slide should be to the right of the bell at a 90° angle. The bell and slide should not make contact.

Tighten the bell lock to secure the sections together.

Always hold your trombone by the slide brace while resting and make sure the slide lock is locked when the trombone is not in use.

Inserting the Mouthpiece -

NOTE: The mouthpiece and mouthpiece receiver are easily damaged by improper assembly.

- Insert the mouthpiece into the receiver, giving it a slight twist to secure it.
- Never force a mouthpiece into place, as it may become stuck. If this should happen, take the horn to your dealer to have it removed, they have a special tool to remove stuck mouthpieces. Never use pliers or other gripping tools to remove a stuck mouthpiece.

Lubricating the Hand Slide -

- Carefully remove the outer slide and lay it on a clean, flat surface.
- Wipe inner slide clean of old cream, dirt, and foreign substances.
- Apply a small amount of slide oil to the stocking of the inner slides (the part that is slightly thicker than the rest). Spread evenly, until it is coated with a thin film.
- Replace the outer slide, moving it back and forth to spread the lubricant evenly.

Lubricating the Tuning Slide -

- Slide grease keeps slides airtight and maintains smooth movement. It is an essential factor in the care of your horn.

To apply slide grease-

- Remove each tuning slide and wipe clean of dirt and foreign substances.
- Apply a thin coating of slide grease to the inner slide surfaces.
- Replace the slide, working it in to ensure that the grease is evenly and thoroughly spread.

Cleaning the Mouthpiece -

- Using a brass mouthpiece brush, scrub the inside and outside of mouthpiece with warm soapy water. Rinse thoroughly with clean, warm water.

Care for the Exterior of Your Trombone -

- For daily care, use a soft polishing cloth to remove dust and fingerprints.

Storing the Instrument -

- The case should always be used for storing the instrument after playing and for transporting.
- Do not leave your instrument in a car, even for a short period of time.
- Only store your instrument in dry locations with comfortable temperatures.

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