

# WOODWIND & BRASS MAINTENANCE GUIDES

## LOOKING AFTER YOUR: TROMBONE

The instrument you have bought is of value and will need looking after. Here are a few simple steps on how this should be approached.

## Daily or Each Time You Play

1. Clean the outside of your instrument with a Lacquer Cloth (ACM254). This should be carried out every time you have finished playing.

## Weekly

- 1. Separate the inner and outer slide section. Attach a piece of lint free cloth (ACM511) securely through the eye slot of a Windcraft slide cleaning rod (ACM270). Gently twist the rod & cloth whilst swabbing inside the outer slide tubes.
- 2. Wipe down the inner slide legs and apply a small amount of Slide-o-Mix 'Rapid Comfort' (ALU107) to the end of each leg. Insert each leg individually whilst twisting to spread the lubricant. Then assemble the slide normally.
- 3. Use a steilising spray such as Sterisol (ALU050) and a mouthpiece brush (ACM291) to clean your mouthpiece.

#### **Every 3-6 Months**

Flush all tubing with lukewarm water, cleaning inside with a flexible brush (ACM284) and a small amount of mild detergent. Do not use hot or boiling water as this may damage the finish. Be sure to rinse thoroughly.

If you have a Bb/F Trombone the rotor should not be removed for this cleaning process. However, the rotor and linkages do need to be oiled regularly, please consult us if you have any questions about this.

#### 18 Months - 24 Months

To ensure correct performance and a long life for your Trombone, it is recommended that you have it checked by a professional repairer after 18-24 months.

\*All the (codes) in this guide can be searched for on www.dawkes.co.uk



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