

Looking After Your Saxophone

Your instrument is a valuable piece of equipment which will retain its value if looked after properly. Here are a few simple steps on how this should be approached.

Daily – or each time you play

1. After playing, clean the inside of your saxophone using the pullthrough supplied with the instrument.

The best way to use the pullthrough is to first remove the mouthpiece and crook, then place the pullthrough into the bell so that the material is at the top of the bell. Turn the instrument upside down so that the weight falls out from where the crook fits. Pull the cleaner through the instrument repeatedly until the inside is dry.

2. Clean the crook by shaking out any moisture. Crook cleaning mops or pullthroughs are available to do a more thorough job - i.e. **Alto Sax Crook Mop** (ACM157) and **Alto Crook Cleaner** (ACM251) and **Tenor Sax Crook Mop** (ACM162) and **Tenor Crook Cleaner** (ACM252).
3. Clean the outside of your instrument with a **Duster** (ACM503) or **Lacquer Cloth** (ACM501) to remove general dirt, watermarks and fingerprints taking care not to snag or dislodge keywork and springs.
4. Dry your mouthpiece and reed.

Attention

Due to the current worldwide health issues we would highly recommend that the following guidelines be adhered to:

1. **Clean your mouthpiece at least on a weekly basis (not with hot water).**
2. **Never share other players' mouthpieces.**
3. **The use of Sterisol (ALU050) and a mouthpiece brush (ACM272) would be advisable.**

18 Months – 2 Years

To ensure correct performance and a long life for your saxophone it is recommended that you have it serviced by a qualified repairer after 18 months to 2 years of playing.

If you have any doubts or queries please call us on 01628 630 800 and we will be glad to advise you.

