

HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR TROMBONE

ASSEMBLY

- When attaching the slide to the bell section, make sure you don't move the bell section too close to the slide. Keep it at a 45-degree angle.
- Insert the mouthpiece into the slide with a gentle twist. DO NOT hit or pop the mouthpiece into the slide. Always leave the slide locked when you put your horn down or in the case.

FINISHED PLAYING?

- The moisture that accumulates inside the instrument is not "spit." It is condensation from the player's breath. Open the water key and blow air (don't buzz) into the instrument. Empty the water key onto the floor, not on your chair or your neighbor's shoe.
- If your mouthpiece gets stuck while playing, DO NOT attempt to remove it yourself or have anyone else yank it out for you. Forcibly removing a stuck mouthpiece can do serious damage to your instrument. The mouthpiece should be removed by your teacher or by the repair shop.

REGULAR MAINTENANCE

- To keep your instrument clean, don't eat candy or chew before playing and never while playing.
- Clean your mouthpiece at least once a week by flushing it with warm (not hot) water.
- Proper cleaning and lubricating of the main slide is essential to the playing of the trombone. Oil the main slide as needed.
- Always keep your trombone in its case when you are not playing it. Never put anything into your case that it was not designed to hold because the pressure from papers or music can damage the instrument.

SUPPLIES



Slide Oil



Slide Grease

