

LEONARDS MUSIC

Trumpet Maintenance Sheet

What to do:

- ✓ Place your mouthpiece onto your instrument and gently twist into place, this will hold. Do not force the mouthpiece onto your instrument; this will cause it to get stuck.
- ✓ Oil your valves regularly (your teacher should show you how to do this). Be sure to only oil one valve at a time. Valve oil cleans, lubricates and it fills air space. An un-oiled valve will wear faster than a regularly oiled one.
- ✓ Lubricate all slides with slide grease at least monthly. Wipe off all excess grease.
- ✓ Always store your instrument in its case. This will prevent it from being dropped or knocked over.
- ✓ To clean, gently use a soft cotton cloth to wipe down your trumpet. One of the best ways to keep your instrument looking nice is by wiping off your fingerprints after every use.
- ✓ Your mouthpiece should not have any dents in the end of the shank. Dents allow the mouthpiece to become easily stuck and the dented shank can disturb the airflow of the instrument. If you dent your mouthpiece shank, please call us to schedule a repair.
- ✓ After playing, open each of the water keys(one at a time) and blow through the instrument to remove excessive moisture; this will prevent mold and corrosion.
- ✓ Practice and have fun!

What not to do:

- ✗ Please do not use polishes or any other cleaners. They will damage the instrument.
- ✗ Do not store any music or papers inside of the case, unless there is a special compartment for it. Books and papers stored on top the instrument will damage it. Use your new Leonards Music bag for your music books.
- ✗ Do not put any stickers on your instrument or the outside of your case.
- ✗ Never leave your instrument on a music stand, chair, or on any other surface where it can easily fall. When not in use, keep the instrument in the case.
- ✗ Never use any adhesives, pliers, hammers, etc. on your instrument. If the instrument is not working properly, please call us right away and we will repair it.
- ✗ **Never** stand your instrument upright on the bell, the bell is very fragile and is easily damaged. **This type of damage is not covered under your rental contract or by insurance.**
- ✗ **Do not bring your instrument to another music store or have your teacher try to fix it. Do not attempt home repairs.** *Damage from unauthorized work or repairs will not be covered.* **Please be sure to bring your instrument to one of our trained professionals for service.**