

Instrument Cleaning Care

SAXOPHONE

Online Video at: www.rockymountainmusicrepair.com/instrument-care

Daily

- Remove water from inside of the saxophone with a drop swab. Remove mouthpiece & neck, put the swab weight in from bell, tilt saxophone so that the weight comes out the neck receiver and pull through. (If it ever gets stuck, take it to a repair shop right away, don't try pulling on it harder).
- Store reeds in reed holder or case, NEVER on mouthpiece.

Weekly

- Gently remove fingerprints from the keys with soft cloth.
- Gently remove fingerprints from the body with a soft cloth and Pledge furniture polish.
- Clean mouthpiece with a mouthpiece brush and warm soapy water.
- Clean neck with a neck swab (smaller than the body swab). One end is a scrubber to dislodge the debris and the other end is softer to clean it out. Do not use water because of the pad on the neck.
- Clean & grease mouthpiece cork with a dab of new cork grease.
- Vacuum case to get rid of all debris.

Yearly

- Bring your instrument to a qualified repair technician for a professional regulation & lubrication and to replace needed pads.

Cleaning Supplies Needed

- Saxophone Drop Swab, Soft Cloth, Woodwind Mouthpiece Brush, Cork Grease, Pledge Furniture Polish



[Link to Cleaning Video](#)