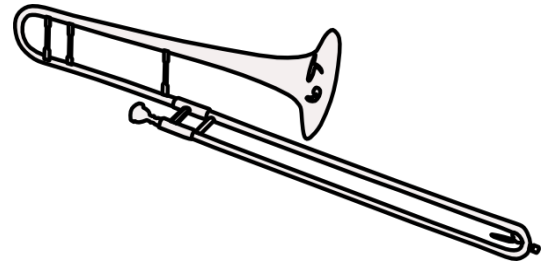


Cleaning your Trombone



Whole instrument

Once every 2 months (approximately) you can wash your trombone in the bath or with a hose in the garden.

- Remove the main slide, tuning slide and mouth piece
- Submerge the whole instrument in water or direct the hose into the mouth piece hole
- Do this for about 5-10 minutes
- Use a cotton hand towel to dry all the water off
- Lubricate the tuning and main slides (as directed below)

Main Slide

- Purchase some "Slide-O-Mix" (you can get this at most music stores, follow directions for cleaning the inner slide)
- Purchase a small spray bottle and spray water evenly over the inner slide, after using the slide mix (ensure any excess is wiped off with a cotton towel)
- The inside of the slide can also be cleaned with a trombone cleaning rod (can be purchased at most music stores)
 - Thread a long scrap piece of cotton through the top hole and twist it down along the rod.
 - Insert the rod with cotton cloth inside the slide and move up and down a few times



Tuning Slide

- Remove the tuning slide from the main instrument
- Apply small amount of tuning slide oil/cream/grease evenly all the surface area of the inner section
- Move each side in and out separately to lubricate



Note: Various products can be used for this slide

Mouth Piece

- The mouth piece can be washed in warm, plain water, and dried with a towel.
- You can use a small brush, which can be purchased at most music stores (see right)

