

# Practice Chanter Maintenance

## How to dismantle the Practice Chanter

- Grip the chanter at the bowl with one hand and the ferrule of the top section with the other hand.
- Turn carefully and lift straight off – not at an angle
- Do not grip and turn from the sole end
- Take care not to catch the reed blades on the chanter top otherwise they may get damaged

## Correct



## Incorrect



## How to Clean and Dry the Practice Chanter

- Shake off excess moisture
- Remove the reed and leave out to dry
- Brush out Mouthpiece
- Keeping the chanter clean and dry is good hygiene and also ensures that it sounds correctly as too much moisture can affect the sound

## How to Correctly hemp the Practice Chanter

- Use **waxed** hemp as it is more resistant to moisture than unwaxed hemp
- Carefully wind the hemp under **tension** to produce an **even** join which is **airtight** and **watertight**.
- Periodically check the fit to ensure it is neither **too tight** or **too loose**.
- It is recommended to check the hemp quality every few weeks to ensure it is still an airtight and watertight seal