

## Apps Cane Practice Chanter Reeds Care and Maintenance

Cane practice reeds are designed to be played wet all the time. No more worrying about your reed getting too wet during practice. The moisture from your breath will help the reed play the way it was designed to be played. When you receive your reed, it will be dry, and the sides may have opened up. Dip the blades in Hydrogen Peroxide 1% until the cane is completely saturated, probably five minutes. Take it out of this solution and rinse through the reed with water.

You will now see that the blades will have regained their original shape and curvature and will need to be closed by use of the bridle. The bridle regulates the gap between the blades. Squeeze the bridle gently with pliers to close the blades. If you go a little too far just squeeze the staple from the side to open the blade again. Do not move the bridle from it's position on top of the binding.

Do not dry the reed between practices, just leave it in the chanter. Regular use of Hydrogen Peroxide 1% will ensure that no mold will appear.

Care must be taken to ensure that there is enough clearance in the chanter cap to avoid breakage. If there is a water trap fitted it must be removed. The space between the base of the cap and the top of the inside must be at least 3 1/4ins. or around 80 mm.

For a demonstration of these instructions or to troubleshoot please refer to our video, <a href="https://appsreeds.com/products/apps-cane-practice-chanter-reed">https://appsreeds.com/products/apps-cane-practice-chanter-reed</a>

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