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AIRLINE LAP STEEL SET-UP GUIDE

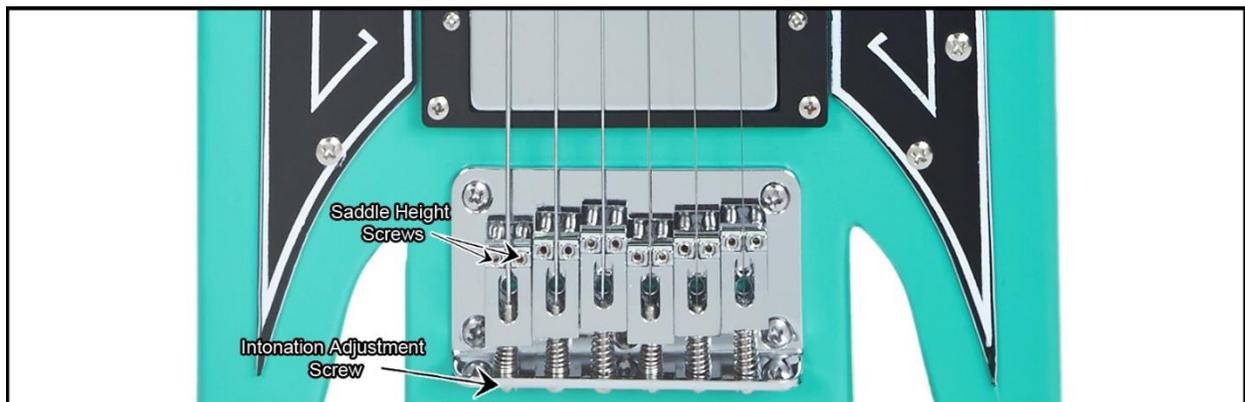
Congratulations on your purchase, and welcome to the Eastwood family!

All Eastwood® Guitars are fitted with high-quality modern components that offer an optimal playing experience that far exceeds their 1960's original counterparts. It is hard to find a guitar these days that oozes more vintage style than an Eastwood®!

Please refer to the following guide when setting up your new Airline Lap Steel to factory settings. This guide is intended for the Airline Lap Steel model.

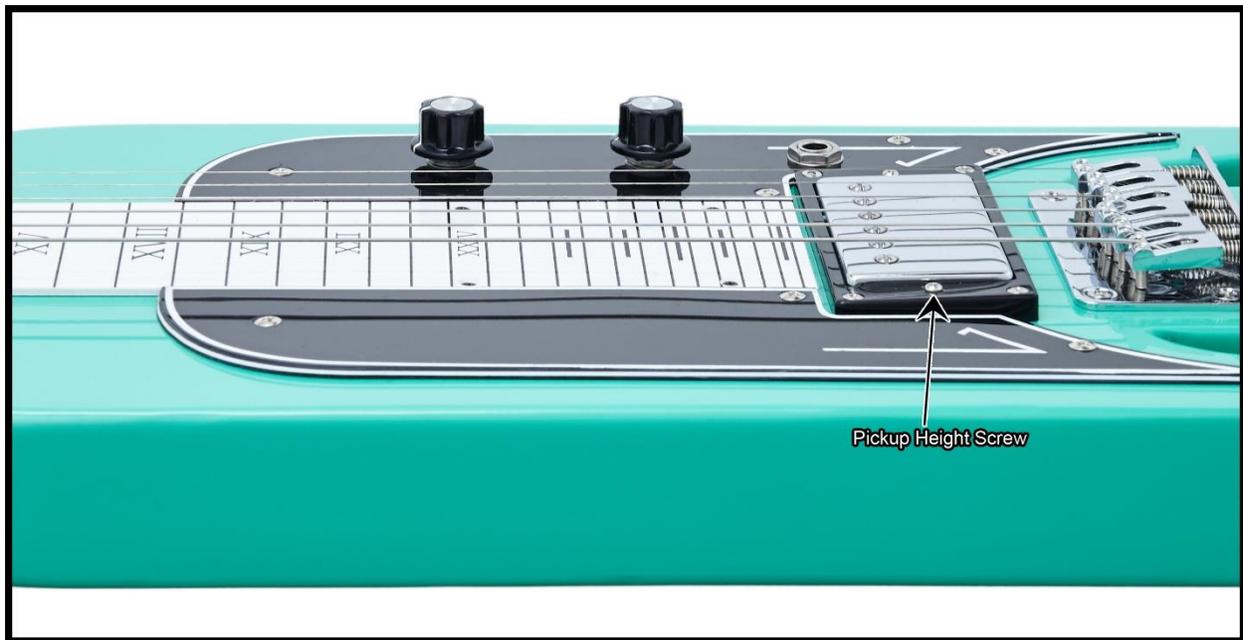
ACTION: Setting the action on your Lap Steel plays heavily into the overall intonation of your instrument, and will therefore affect how you play. You want the strings to play the right note in the right spot according to the markers on the board, and ideally not have to compensate too much with your steel bar. Strings that are set too high (or too close) may affect where these notes occur. As a starting point, we recommend setting your strings so that they sit $\sim 1/4$ " above the board at the nut, and $\sim 1/2$ " above the board at the bridge. Set all your string heights so that they are even. Some adjustments may be required to suit your tastes, or for particular tunings.

INTONATION: This refers to the fine-tuning of your guitar. A properly intonated guitar is one that sounds in tune across the entire neck. This should be your last step of the set-up, as raising your strings or changing your neck bow can have a drastic effect on your intonation. Using a tuner, make sure all your strings are in tune first. Check your intonation one string at a time beginning with the Low (thick) string. This string should read the same when played open as it does in the 12th fret. If it is flat, you will need to make the string shorter by moving the saddle towards the pickups. If the note is sharp, make the string longer by moving the saddle away from the pickups. Be sure to re-tune the string after each adjustment.



PICKUP HEIGHT: This refers to the distance between the bottom of your strings and the top of the pole pieces in the pickups. These should be set properly so that your strings have equal output, and the guitar's tone is represented as it should. That said, the following measurements are guidelines only, and you should experiment with different heights to achieve a tone you are happy with. The following measurement is our suggestion only, and we strongly recommend adjusting the height until you're satisfied with the result:

Distance between bottom of strings and bridge pickup: ~ 3/16"



TUNING: All Airline Lapsteels are shipped with #13-58 strings by default. If you have a particular tuning you would like to have yours set up for, please let us know in advance and we will make any modifications to these gauges necessary. Above is a list of popular tuning choices, along with a string gauge reference guide. Please keep in mind that differences of .01 - .02 in size shouldn't be a problem if you can't find exact matches.

FINAL NOTES: Keep in mind that if you've put a new set of strings on, it may take a little time for them to get used to their new tension. You can help speed this process up by giving them a good stretching before tuning them to pitch. All that's left to do now is polish it up, plug it in, and play! If you're unsure about anything in this guide, please contact us at support@eastwoodguitars.com for further assistance. As always, please see a trained professional if you are uncomfortable making any of

these adjustments yourself.

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