

Onkaparinga City Concert Band Instrument Hire Conditions

1. General background

Instruments are exclusively hired to members of the band. This means that to hire an instrument a hirer will need to become a financial member of the band. This allows a hirer another avenue to further develop their skills by freely joining into rehearsals in either the Hopgood Wind Band or Onkaparinga City Concert Band. If a hirer would like to join in on regular band activities the hirer should seek advice from the band's music director with regard to which band matches their skill level at that time.

2. Responsibilities

OCCB will ensure that instruments hired will be in good working order before issuing them to the hirer.

The hirer must retain the instrument in their personal possession.

The hirer will maintain the instrument in good repair. All repair costs, except for normal wear and tear, are the responsibility of the hirer. Normal wear and tear will be determined by OCCB's preferred repairer

Where a hired instrument has a stand and/or case these will be issued to the hirer. The hirer is responsible for the care of all items issued and must ensure they are used to protect the hired instrument.

The hirer is expected to play the instrument in at least one of OCCB ensembles.

3. Hire conditions

Hire rates are set by OCCB and are subject to change. Hire rates are set out in the Hire Agreement Form. Any hire periods for which a hire rate has been paid will be honoured if rates change during the period of the hire.

A minimum bond of \$100.00 is to be lodged with OCCB when the instrument is initially hired.

4. Insurance

OCCB carries insurance on the band's instrument only while they are stored on band premises.

It is recommended that a hirer arranges their own insurance against damage and theft of the instrument. [OCCB recommends Marsh Insurance instrument policy](#). The hirer may elect not to insure, but will be responsible for replacing / repairing an instrument that is lost, destroyed or damaged while in their possession.

If a musical instrument is stolen the matter must be reported to the Police and Property Officer as soon as practical.

5. Repairs

The hirer must report any damage or malfunction of an instrument to the Property Officer as soon as possible.

Any repair work can only be undertaken by OCCB's preferred repairer, repair work will not be carried out without the authorisation of the Property Officer.

Cost of repairs, except for normal wear and tear, is the responsibility of the hirer.

Normal wear and tear will be determined by OCCB's preferred repairer.

OCCB reserves the right to ask hirers to periodically have instruments inspected by the Property Officer and will be advised when this is required.

6. Return of instrument

The instrument hired must be returned to the Property Officer.

An instrument will not be considered as returned unless the hirer holds written acknowledgement. There is a section on the bottom of the Hire Agreement for this purpose.

After returning the instrument it will be referred to OCCB's preferred repairer for an independent examination and service. If no repairs are required the hirer's bond will be refunded, if repairs, other than normal wear and tear as determined by OCCB's preferred repairer, are required the cost of these repairs will be deducted from the bond and any balance will be refunded.

7. Termination of agreement

OCCB reserves the right to terminate a hire agreement at any time.

In this situation any unused hire paid in advance will be refunded and the bond refunded as per section 6.

Any hire agreement in place before 1/1/2016 will continue until normal conclusion.