

Bannatyne Pipe Bag Care

Bannatyne Ltd pride ourselves in the manufacture of our products to an extremely high standard of craftsmanship. They are used by pipers of all levels from beginners to champion pipers.

Your Pipe Bag or Moisture Control products should serve you well for a long period of time.

We test our Pipe Bags thoroughly before being passed to our standard. The bags should be airtight, allowing the piper to generate the pressure required to maintain a steady tone.

We encourage you to thoroughly watch the installation videos and/or read all the installation and maintenance instructions and tips for taking care of your bag. This is important regardless of the level of experience.

Fitting Instructions

Please refer to the video below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ipu2T1MlrVQ>

If you have any questions further to the video, please email us at: info@bannatyne.ltd.uk

Testing Airtightness

Remove the bag cover and place the corks tightly on the chanter and drone stocks.

Insert the blowpipe and inflate the bag until full. Place your finger over the top of the blowpipe as often the valve in the blowpipe may leak under full pressure.

If the bag holds good pressure for 30 seconds, then it should be sufficiently airtight for your use. The average piper blows into the bag 15-20 times per minute. This should be more than enough to allow you to maintain pressure.

It will be obvious if the bag is deflating quicker than 30 seconds.

Submerging the bag in water or spraying water on the bag can damage the membranes of the bag.

Important tips

To achieve maximum performance there are some suggestions we have, to prolong the life of your product and achieve maximum performance.

1. Avoid leaving your bag soaking wet, if possible, allowing it to dry between performances or practice sessions. This will prevent bag deterioration.
2. Avoid putting your bag under stress by squeezing it into a pipe case. Be careful not to damage the bag or the area round the zip.
3. Keep the zip well lubricated.
4. Tape over the Universal clip to avoid bag damage.

5. Be careful when using Moisture Control devices as they can damage the bag if they have sharp edges.
6. When cork testing the bag, ensure that the blowpipe is 100% airtight and that all corks are tightly fitted. This should be carried out monthly.
7. Use the bottle trap provided with your bag or a tube water trap. This helps reduce moisture but more importantly avoids drops of water onto the area below the blowstick. Avoiding getting that area wet constantly will prolong airtightness.

If you look after your pipe bag, your pipe bag will look after you.

Bannatyne Warranty

We give a 2-year warranty on the manufacture of the bag, from the date of purchase.

The two-year warranty will not cover bags using other types of moisture controls not supplied by Bannatyne Ltd, which can sometimes damage the inside of the bags. In addition, avoid sharp and pointed objects within the case.

Bannatyne has had excellent bag performance and reviews for many years with a very little return rate. We pride ourselves on this.

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