



Sheet Music and Accessories for Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet and Saxophone

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Jeanné ReedGauge

The butt end of the reed is placed against the back rail on the sliding table. When the left edge of the reed tip is aligned with line 3, you can measure just inside the right side. Conversely, when the left edge of the reed tip is aligned with line 1, you can measure just inside the left side. When the left edge of the reed tip is aligned with line 2, you can measure the center of the reed.

The sliding table can be moved by slightly twisting the lock screw (by hand) to the left, moving the table to the next location, and then locking it in place by turning the lock screw back.

The angled edges of sliding table may need occasional cleaning. Turn the lock screw several rotations so the table can be completely removed. Wipe the sides of both the table and the table's notch in the base of the ReedGauge. A small drop of clock oil in this notch will make the movements of the table smoother.

Measurements are calibrated in thousandths of an inch, or in hundredths of a millimeter (depending on which micrometer you ordered). You will need to find the best measurements for your particular mouthpiece and desired reed strength and the thickness of your reed blank. The thickness dimensions across the top 1/8 inch of the tip should be even across the entire tip. In back of the tip, each side of the reed needs to be symmetrical with its opposite side throughout the length of the vamp. The numbered marks along the side of the ReedGauge base are in millimeters and are for measuring distance from the tip.

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A free guide for clarinet reed adjustment is available online at <http://www.jeanne-inc.com>. Go to the item JT400M, "Jeanne ReedGauge" to find this file. In addition, a comprehensive book on single reed adjustment is available for purchase. See "ReedWorks" by Blake McGee (product code TBC-012).