



Saxophone Tips:

Removing Sax Tone Hole Burrs

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After facing a saxophone tone hole you are often left with a burr edge on the rim. This burr must be eliminated in order to increase pad life. A very effective solution is to take a 2" X 2" piece of aluminum foil and fold this several times until it is approximately 1/4" X 3/8" or so. Take the foil and place it on the hole's rim like a saddle. Work this around the hole with medium pressure. This removes the burr and polishes the top of the hole.