

## Ken-Ton

### Percussion Maintenance

1. Oil lightly all clamps, casters and moving parts every few months.
2. Polish and clean all drum shells every few months. Polish cymbals with “Brasso”.
3. Wipe lightly with soapy water all drum heads every few months.
4. Tune or tighten all heads slowly and equally to proper pitch. Alternate from one end to the other.
5. Do not use metal beaters on a xylophone, marimba or vibraphone.
6. Timpani mallets should be stored in plastic bags/sleeves to prevent fraying of mallet head.
7. Keep all bells, xylophones, vibraphones, timpani and drums covered after use.
8. Put away neatly all equipment and music in drawers labeled in a percussion cabinet.
9. Do not allow any non-percussion students to play any percussion instruments.