



Necessary Maintenance for the Model 5400 Ukulele and 605 Guitar
In regard to tuning issues, please consider the following points before concluding that the instrument is defective.

New and Used Instruments – Tune frequently! New nylon strings used in the 5400 ukulele and the steel strings used in the 605 guitars will stretch for a few days depending on how often the instrument is tuned and played. Each playing session impacts tuning, so frequent re-tuning is necessary after periods of heavy play.

Tuners – Keep them tight. Using a Phillips screwdriver at the end of each tuner, tighten just until the tuner becomes difficult to turn. As seasons change and the wood dries, tuners may loosen more frequently, preventing the instrument from staying in tune.

String Replacement – Replace strings with those designed for the applicable scale length. As for the 5400 Ukulele, small gage strings must be double knotted or figure 8 knotted to prevent slipping through the bridge. Twice through the hole and two or more turns around the tuner will suffice to keep the string from slipping. Pre stretching or tuning to higher than the recommended pitches is not recommended.

