

Various Model listings for Besson

Academy - Professional

Class A Professional

Condorde - Intermediate

International Professional some Kanstul made

New Standard - Professional

Stratford - Intermediate

Westminster - Student

Models: circa 1958 (catalog)

Trumpets

35 10-10 Brass Bell .46 bore Bell 4.75

40 10-10 Gilding Metal Bell .46 bore Bell 4.75

125 F. Besson (Paris) Brevete - Medium Large Bore Bell 4.815

130 F Besson (Paris) Meha - Large bore Bell 4.815

135 8-10 .46 bore Bell 4.875

235 Stratford .46 bore Bell 4.875

Cornets

45 10-10 Brass Bell .46 bore Bell 4.875

50 10-10 Gilding Bell .46 bore Bell 4.875

144 F. Besson (Paris) Bell 4.875

145 8-10 .46 bore Bell 4.625

245 Stratford .46 bore Bell 4.625

Trombones

55 10-10 Brass Bell .523 Bell 8

60 10-10 Gilding Bell .523 Bell 8

65 10-10 .555 bore Bell 9 F trigger

155 8-10 .4874 bore Bell 7.75 & 7.25

255 Stratford .4874 Bell 7.25

260 Stratford .4874 bore Bell 8.5

Alto Horn

162 8-10 .4342 bore Bell 8

530 2-20 .4342 bore Bell 8

Fluglehorn

150 8-10 .405 bore Bell 5.75

Baritones

166 8-10 .515 bore Bell 9

168 8-10 Bell Up.515 bore Bell 9 Compensating

170 8-10 .5796 bore Bell 12

175 8-10 Bell Front .5796 bore Bell 12 Compensating

176 8-10 Bell Up .5796 bore Bell 11 Compensating

180 8-10 4v Bell Front .5796 bore Bell 12 Compensating

181 8-10 4v Bell Up .5796 bore Bell 11 Compensating

540 2-20 .515 bore Bell 9

550 2-20 .5796 bore Bell 12

767 New Standard Bell 11

Tubas

210 8-10 Eb Recording .6892 bore Bell 22

212 8-10 Eb Recording .6892 bore Bell 22 Compensating

213 8-10 Eb Bell Up .6892 bore Bell 17 Compensating

214 8-10 Eb Recording .6892 bore Bell 22 Compensating

215 8-10 Eb Bell Up .6892 bore Bell 17 Compensating

220 8-10 BBb Recording .7302 bore Bell 24

221 8-10 BBb Upright .7302 bore Bell 17

222 8-10 BBb Recording .7302 bore Bell 24 Compensating

223 8-10 Bb Bell Up .7302 bore Bell 17 Compensating

225 8-10 BBb Recording .7302 bore Bell 24 Compensating

226 8-10 BBb Bell Up .7302 bore Bell 17 Compensating

585 2-20 Eb Small .6505 bore Bell 12

588 2-20 BBb Small .6892 bore Bell 12.875

590 2-20 BBb Small .6892 bore Bell 15

Sousaphones

185 8-10 Eb .6892 bore Bell 24

200

Models in ascending order

"35"-basic student

"Westminster" - student

"Stratford" -intermediate

"American Model"- seems like "Stratford."

The professional models were: -

"New Creation" available in medium and large bore and fitted with mobile third slide throw.

"10-10" available with either a brass bell, for a vibrant sound, or a gilding metal bell for a more symphonic sound. Fitted with first and third slide triggers.

"Symphony" range available in Bb,C, D,F,Eb/D and C/Bb.

Boosey and Hawkes produced their own range of instruments which, in some cases were identical to the Besson ones but with different names; "35"="78", "Westminster"="Regent", "Stratford"="Emperor"

There is a subset of Bessons that are Marked as Service Class. Here is a list of models found:

5096, Trombone, Service Class, Supplied by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England.

5139, Cornet, Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. The numbers on the 3 valves are 55 56 57. (14 inches long including the mouthpiece. Year 1918.)

6005, Cornet, Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England.

6344, Trumpet, Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. Second valve number 3305

6381, Euphonium (Brass), Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. (61cm high)

6515, Flugel Horn (Silver), Service Class, ???? by Besson and Co., London, England, Star, Made in England.

6763, Cornet, Service Class, ???? by Besson & Co., London, England.

6790, Trombone (in G), Service Class, ???? by Besson and Co., London, England.

7028, Trumpet, Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. (21 1/4" long)

7154, Trumpet, Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England.

7293, Tuba (Brass), Service Class, Sold by Besson and Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. Second valve number 115

7613, Cornet, Service Class, ???? by Besson and Co., London, England. Second valve number 1362,

????, Bb Baritone, Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. (low pitch = 440)

????, French Horn (Silver), Service Class, Sold by Besson & Co., London, England, Star, Made in England. (pitched in Eb, wide piston valves)