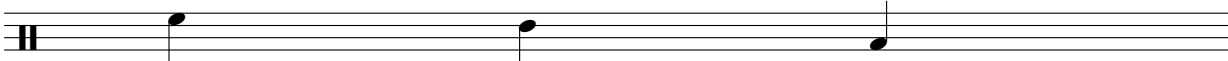


# Drum notation guide: the basics



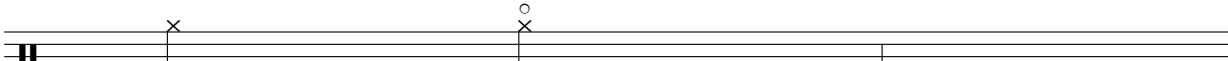
Musical notation on a five-line staff showing four drum sounds: Kick/bass (quarter note), Snare (quarter note), Rim shot (quarter note), and Cross stick (quarter note with a circle on the note head).

Kick/bass                      Snare                      Rim shot                      Cross stick



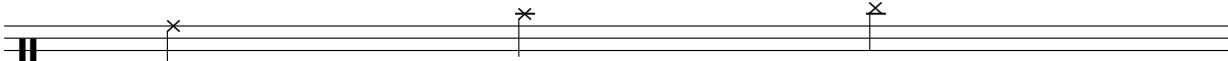
Musical notation on a five-line staff showing three tom sounds: Hi tom (mounted) (quarter note), Low tom (mounted) (quarter note), and Floor tom (quarter note).

Hi tom (mounted)                      Low tom (mounted)                      Floor tom



Musical notation on a five-line staff showing three hi-hat sounds: Hi-hat (closed) (quarter note with an 'x' above the note head), Hi-hat (open) (quarter note with an 'o' above the note head), and Hi-hat (with pedal) (quarter note with an 'x' below the note head).

Hi-hat (closed)                      Hi-hat (open)                      Hi-hat (with pedal)



Musical notation on a five-line staff showing three cymbal sounds: Ride cymbal (quarter note with an 'x' above the note head), Crash cymbal (quarter note with an 'x' above the note head), and Splash cymbal (quarter note with an 'x' above the note head).

Ride cymbal                      Crash cymbal                      Splash cymbal