Blank Drum Notation Sheets: Percussion Clef and Beat Grid Design

Worked example / complete source key

A 4/4 bar needs eighth-note positions. How many grid columns are required, and where do the bar lines fall?

Answer: Four beats per bar times two subdivisions per beat gives eight columns. The bar line falls after column eight. Beat one begins at column one, beat two at column three, beat three at column five, and beat four at column seven. Each pair of columns belongs to one beat.