

Exam Table Setup Instructions



Before you practice or do an official trial for the BU Exams, we recommend you place “little white donuts” (self-adhesive hole-reinforcement labels, available at any office supply store) at the points indicated in the diagram below. This will help speed up the exam process and help ensure ball-placement consistency and accuracy. We don’t suggest you mark every ball position for every drill in every exam ... just those shown that require a little care to set up and are used repeatedly. The online “BU Exam Preparation” video provides some guidance on how to locate the desired positions on the table.

Before applying a donut, first place a ball in the desired position and then tap down on the ball with another to make a small mark and indentation on the cloth. This makes it easier to place the donut accurately. It also allows a ball later placed on the donut to settle quickly and consistently. The labels in the diagram (e.g., “F1”) indicate the drills that use the indicated ball positions. The labels with a hyphenated letter apply only for a specific exam (B: Bachelors, M: Masters, D: Doctorate). Note that the donut positions for F1, F2, F4, and F8 depend on which hand you play with.

