

Black Hole Installation Instructions

Thank You!

We at RTOM want to thank you for purchasing the Black Hole practice drum heads. We designed these heads to allow drummers like you to quietly practice without sacrificing sound. You can finally let your drums be heard, just not by your neighbors. Welcome to the quiet drum revolution!

What's In the Box?

- -One Black Hole Practice Head
- -One Tuning Tool
- -Three Adhesive Foams (Bass Drum Only)
- -Bass Pedal Extension (Bass Drum Only)

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Each Black Hole head comes factory tuned, but can be adjusted to suit your playing style. To tune, flip the black hole upside down and insert the included tuning tool into the turnbuckle (*Figure 1*). To tighten, rotate the turnbuckle toward the center of the head. To loosen, rotate the turnbuckle to the outside of the head. Please note, over tightening may cause your mesh head to warp.

Stamped Rim

Starting from the back of the rim, slip the Black Hole head over the rim. Using both hands, work your way to the front of the drum, pushing the Black Hole down as you go (Figure 2).

Cast and Wooden rims

- **1)**Simply place the Black Hole to the rim. For wooden rims, the Black Hole will just sit on top of the drum (*Figure 2*).
- **2)**To secure the Black Hole to the drum, use the optional elastic attachment hooks, sold separately. Adjust the length of the cord so that the hook reaches the bottom rim. The cords should be firm but do not need to be overly tight.

Bass Drum

- **1)**Unpeel the rectangular foam pad, and apply it to the bass drum extension. (*Figure 3*)
- **2)**Clean Black Hole rubber ring with alcohol to remove any dust or debris.
- **3)**Unpeel film on foam strip and align foam with bottom edge of the Black Hole rubber rim as shown in (*Figure 4a*). Apply one strip directly underneath the Black Hole logo and apply the other two strips on each side of the RTOM logo. (*Figure 4b*)
- **4)**Insert Black Hole head into the drum hoop (*Figure 5*) by placing one edge of the Black Hole into the hoop and pushing the head completely in.
- **5)**Attach the bass drum extension to your bass drum pedal just as you would to the drum.
- **6)**Lifting your bass drum up slightly, slide the bass drum extension/bass drum pedal under the drum to desire distance. For best results, the beater must strike Black Hole completely flush (*Figure 5*). You're now ready to play!

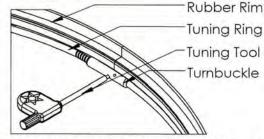


Figure 1: Black Hole Tuning (Upside Down)



Figure 2: Snare and Tom Positon

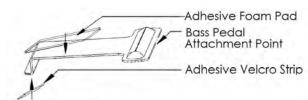
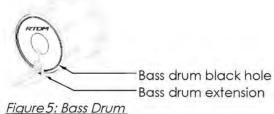


Figure 3: Bass Drum Extension



Figure 4a: Bass Drum Figure 4b: Bass Drum



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