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Posted by [brandon\[2\]](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 17:53:08 GMT

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Posted by [rick](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 18:39:10 GMT

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Posted by [Neil](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 18:53:54 GMT

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If you have a good drummer, it shouldn't have any bearing on the beat being more uniform or not - if the guy has bad timing, he's going to have bad timing on a kick/snare/hat kit as well as a full kit.

The thing you (or really, he) needs to decide is: "do I mind if it sounds like an overdub?" because when there are no cymbals to hit, chances are he's going to play hats straight through parts where there's going to be a crash... if there's a tom fill, he might come out of it later than he would if he were going to nail the crash at the top of the next measure - he might throw an extra tom hit in there, etc. So it can easily come out sounding like an overdub (or like Simon Phillips were playing - take your pick :) ) But if that doesn't bother you, go for it - I can think of a few songs with various overdubbed drums on them... "Red Rain" comes to mind.

If you do it, make sure you record the overheads and any room mics for the drum-only part, too - unless you want a much more discrete drum sound, that is.

But why replace the cymbals with samples? Why not just have the guy do it as a regular overdub if you're going to go this route? Does the guy have crap cymbals or something like that?

Neil

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Posted by [Rich\[3\]](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 18:59:25 GMT  
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Posted by [rick](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 19:54:29 GMT

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errr...yes to all the above...errr...below...i think...okay...you're  
scaring me through a series of bad memories...thanks...sigh...

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Posted by [LaMont jjdpro2amerite](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 04:03:19 GMT

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Posted by [Don Nafe](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 12:14:13 GMT

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Posted by [EK Sound](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 14:29:19 GMT

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Posted by [Don Nafe](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 14:52:22 GMT  
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C'mon Dave you know you can't play with a missing E string...you wouldn't be able to do all those Strong Bad "meeedly meeedlies"...you're just pissed you

had to work Canada Day

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Posted by [LaMont](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 15:45:48 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Recording Drums  
Posted by [Carl Amburn](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 21:58:53 GMT  
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-Carl

"brandon" <a@a.com> wrote in message news:44a95984\$1@linux...

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Posted by [rick](#) on Tue, 04 Jul 2006 23:06:36 GMT  
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On Tue, 4 Jul 2006 16:58:53 -0500, "Carl Amburn" <carlamburn@hotmail.com> wrote:

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Posted by [Dubya Mark Wilson](#) on Wed, 05 Jul 2006 22:54:23 GMT  
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Posted by [Rod Lincoln](#) on Thu, 06 Jul 2006 00:27:16 GMT

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Good analogy, and an experienced drummer will play them in the right places anyway.

Rod

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