

BALANCED

HHHHHH

OOOO

HHOHOO

HDHDODO

HEHEOEO

HMHMOMO

Basic spacing

For sans serif typefaces, the capital rounds may usually be assigned the sidebearing of the O and the straights may usually be assigned the sidebearing of the H. D in this example has the same sidebearing as the H on the left and the O on the right. After the H and O spacing is established, the side bearings for the other characters can be determined by placing them between H's & O's.

UNBALANCED

- 1 HHHHH too loose
- 2 HHHHH too tight
- 3 OOOO too loose
- 4 OOOO too tight
- $_{1+3}$ HHOHOO
- 2+4 HHOHOO
- 1+4 HHOHOO
- 2+3 HHOHOO