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Ball with Ring U8442500

Instruction Sheet

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1. Safety instructions

When working with naked flames there is a risk of burns or other injuries!

- Always stand Bunsen burner on a fire-resistant surface.
- Never leave the burner unattended.
- Do not allow inflammable objects to come near the flame.
- Long hair must be tied back.
- Do not stand close to the flame.
- Never work above the flame.
- Do not touch the ball with your hands when it is hot.
- Before putting the apparatus away, allow the ball to cool.

2. Description

The ball with ring is used to demonstrate the thermal expansion of solid bodies.

The apparatus consists of a U-shaped metal bracket with a ring-shaped hole and a steel ball attached to a

handle by a chain. The ball can only pass through the hole at room temperature. If it is heated, its thermal expansion prevents it from passing through.

3. Technical data

Dimensions of the bracket:	40×50×40 mm ³
Diameter of ball:	22 mm
Length of handle including rod:	225 mm approx.
Weight:	175 g aprox.

4. Experiment procedure

4.1 Heating with a Bunsen burner Additional apparatus needed:

1 Bunsen burner

- First verify that the ball passes through the hole in the bracket at room temperature.
- Hold the ball in the flame of the burner and heat it.
- Carry out the hole-passing test.

4.2 Heating with boiling water

Additional apparatus needed: 1 Glass beaker Boiling water

- First verify that the ball passes through the hole in the bracket at room temperature.
- Immerse the ball in boiling water for about 30 seconds.
- Test whether the ball passes through the hole.
- Cool the ball in cold water and test again whether the ball goes through the ring.