Steep-Angle Rail Cut Shots:

Positions A, B: Aim the shot as normal, as if the cushion were not there.

Position C: Aim for a cushion-first hit with running english (allows softer speed, makes shot easier). Aim closer to the ball with slower speed and steeper angles into the cushion.

CB Control with Rail Cuts

1. Ball-first hits (or ball-cushion-at-the-same-time hits) are required with both CB paths, allowing the english to “take” on the cushion after the hit.
2. With a cushion-first hit, the CB would come off the rail close to the tangent line.
3. Due to throw, the inside english shot (the blue/light path) requires a hit closer to the cushion.