

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 4 2
♥ 9 4 3
♦ A K J 9 5 4
♣ —

10
13 1
16

West

2 ♦

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ 7 6
♥ K Q J 7
♦ 10 3
♣ A 10 7 3 2



♠ K Q 9 3
♥ A 10 8 5
♦ Q 6
♣ K Q 6

North

3 ♦

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 NT

3 ♥

Pass

Partner's direct cue-bid is the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, but with no ♦ stopper.

With 4 cards in both Majors you bid 3 ♥.

Partner then bids 4 ♥ which you pass.

Deal 2

North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 10
♥ K 10 9 7 4
♦ 10 6 2
♣ 10 5 2

17
5 13
5

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♦ by South

♠ A 8 4
♥ A Q J
♦ K J 3
♣ Q 7 6 3



♠ 6 2
♥ 8 5 3
♦ Q 9 8 7 5 4
♣ K 4

North

1 NT

3 ♣

Pass

East

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

3 ♦

With your hand you'd like to sign off in 3 ♦. But you cannot actually bid 3 ♦ because that would show a forcing-to-game hand. So you bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner makes the relay bid of 3 ♣. What do you say?

NOW you can bid 3 ♦, which partner passes.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 2
 ♥ 8
 ♦ K 8 7 5
 ♣ 10 9 8 3 2

15
 8 13
 4

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ A 8 7
 ♥ K 6 5
 ♦ Q J 10 6
 ♣ K Q 6



♠ 5
 ♥ Q J 9 7 4 2
 ♦ 9 4 3
 ♣ J 7 4

North

1 NT

3 ♣

Pass

East

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

3 ♥

Partner's 2 NT bid is lebensohl, asking you to bid 3 ♣. You bid 3 ♣. Partner says 3 ♥.

What do you say now?

How about . . . pass? Partner just signed off with this sequence. He couldn't bid 3 ♥ directly, that would have been a game-force.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 4

♥ 9 8 5 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A Q 7

♠ A K Q 10 9 3

♥ J 2

♦ 10 9 8

♣ 5 4

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♠ J 6

♥ 10 7 4

♦ 7 6 5 2

♣ J 9 6 2

12
10 2
16

♠ 7 5 2

♥ A K Q 6

♦ A 3

♣ K 10 8 3

West

North

East

South

2 ♠

Pass

4 ♥ by South

3 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 NT

4 ♥

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. So you cue-bid 3 ♠. This is the lebensohl version of Stayman, but WITH NO ♠ STOPPER. (Direct Denies)

Partner says 4 ♥ and you pass.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 5
♥ 5 2
♦ A Q J 7 3
♣ 8 7 5

♠ J 3 2
♥ K Q 9 8 6 4
♦ 8
♣ A 10 3



♠ Q 8 6 4
♥ 7 3
♦ 9 5 4 2
♣ J 6 2

♠ A 9 7
♥ A J 10
♦ K 10 6
♣ K Q 9 4

West

North

East

South

2 ♥

3 ♦

Pass

1 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT

3 NT by South

Partner has promised at least a 5-card ♦ suit, and game-forcing strength. With your great ♥ stoppers you bid 3 NT.