

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 7 5 4 2
♥ 4 3 2
♦ 8 6 3
♣ 9 3

16
1 12
11

♠ K 9
♥ A Q 7 6
♦ A K 9 2
♣ 10 7 6



♠ A Q 10 8
♥ K J 9 5
♦ J 5 4
♣ 8 4

♠ 6 3
♥ 10 8
♦ Q 10 7
♣ A K Q J 5 2

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	2 ♣	3 ♣
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♥ by North			

With 11 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, and it is possible that a jump to 3 NT (which says you have no ♣ stopper) would work. However, with two 4-card Major suits you should use the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, which is a cue-bid of 3 ♣.

Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

With a known 8-card Major fit and a known 26-28 points you bid 4 ♥.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 6

♥ K Q J 7

♦ 10 3

♣ A 10 7 3 2

1
10 16
13

♠ 10 8 5

♥ 6 2

♦ 8 7 2

♣ J 9 8 5 4

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♠ A J 4 2

♥ 9 4 3

♦ A K J 9 5 4

♣ —

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ A 10 8 5

♦ Q 6

♣ K Q 6

*West**North**East**South*

3 ♦

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by East

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 3

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 4

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 5

♥ Q J 9 7 4 2

♦ 9 4 3

♣ J 7 4

8

4 15

13

♠ K Q 2

♥ 8

♦ K 8 7 5

♣ 10 9 8 3 2



♠ A 8 7

♥ K 6 5

♦ Q J 10 6

♣ K Q 6

♠ J 10 9 6 4 3

♥ A 10 3

♦ A 2

♣ A 5

*West**North**East**South*

2 NT

Pass

1 NT

2 ♠

3 ♥

Pass

3 ♣

Pass

3 ♥ by West

Pass

Pass

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.