

# Simulations 12 April 2025

## Hand 1

West/None

				♠ 10876																
				♥ AQJ109																
				♦ K964																
				♣ --																
♠ A4	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">N</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">W</td> <td style="width: 1px;"></td> <td style="width: 1px;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">E</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">S</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> </table>		N				W			E			S			♠ KQ9532				
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♣ AQJ83					♣ K1092															
				♠ J																
				♥ K7652																
				♦ 752																
				♣ 7654																

- A) West drops the ♦10 on the table when taking his cards from the board. TD!
- B) When opening the bidding with 1♣, West dropped the ♦10. TD!
- C) Same as B, but the card is the ♦8. TD!

If the TD decides that West's card will become penalty, the bidding goes:


West	North	East	South
1♣	1♥	1♠	4♥
pass	pass	dbl	All pass

East on lead.

## Answers

- A) 8a Not L24 but L16D. The auction has not started yet. Try L16D2c for example. ♦10 is taken back in the hand.
- B) 8b A straightforward L24B and possible L24E, with consequences for the first lead.
- C) A straightforward L24A and possibly L24E, the same.

## Hand 2

West	North	East	South	Board 2	♠ A 6 5 4	
			1 ♦	N-S Vul	♥ J 8	
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	IMPs	♦ Q 5	
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass		♣ 10 9 7 4 2	
Pass				♠ Q 8 3		♠ J 10 7 2
				♥ K 10 9 6 2	♥ A 5 4	
				♦ 6 2	♦ 10 9 3	
				♣ Q 8 5	♣ K J 3	
					♠ K 9	
					♥ Q 7 3	
					♦ A K J 8 7 4	
				3 NT South	♣ A 6	


## Scenario

1. West leads 10H. East wins the Ace and returns the 5 which is ducked to the Jack. When south gains the lead he plays on diamonds. East revokes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of diamonds but follows suit on the third. Director!
2. West leads 10H. When south gains the lead he plays on diamonds. East revokes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of diamonds but follows suit on the third. N/S only notice that there was a revoke after South opens the bidding on the next board.
3. West leads 10H. When south gains the lead he plays on diamonds. East revokes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> third and 4<sup>th</sup> diamond and wins the 5<sup>th</sup> diamond and the defence cash 4H and 1 diamond. Director!

## Answers

1. Revoke established. 1 trick penalty. 11 tricks to N/s
2. Too late for automatic penalty. N/S not prejudiced. Only 10 tricks
3. 2<sup>nd</sup> and third revoke caused damage. They would have made 10 tricks without the revokes. Adjusted score 11 tricks to N/S

## Hand 3

West	North	East	South	Board 3	♠ J 8
			1 ♠	N-S Vul	♥ 7 5
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 NT	IMPs	♦ K Q 10 5
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass		♣ Q J 8 4 2
Pass					
				♠ K 10 7 6	
				♥ A 10 9 8 2	♠ 5 3
				♦ 7 2	♥ K J 6 4
				♣ 5 3	♦ J 6 4 3
					♣ 9 7 6
					♠ A Q 9 4 2
					♥ Q 3
					♦ A 9 8
				3 NT North	♣ A K 10

West leads the 10♥ out of turn. While the TD is coming to the table, East leads the 2♥.

TD explains the options

- Declarer accepts the lead and puts his hand down as dummy
- Declarer rejects the lead and forbids a heart lead
- Declarer tells opening leader to lead anything

## Answers

- ♥10 is the accepted lead and ♥4 is a penalty card so must be played and declarer gets a cheap trick.
- West's ♥10 is picked up and is no longer a penalty card. East leads something other than a heart but his ♥4 remains as a penalty card, so if West gets in, declarer can prohibit a heart again.
- Although declarer says East can lead anything, because his ♥4 is a major penalty card, it must be played now and since West's ♥10 is also an MPC it too has to be played so declarer gets a cheap trick.

Hand 12

	♠ K 10 8 7 4										
	♥ K 9 5										
	♦ J 9 6 2										
	♣ A										
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West	North	East	South
1♥	1♠	pass	dbl

A) TD!

B) West bids 2♣. TD!

C) West bids 2♣ and the auction continues:

West	North	East	South
1♥	1♠	pass	dbl
2♣	pass	2♥	dbl
pass	3♦	All pass	

Now they discover the mistake made and call the TD.

Answers

A) L36B, inadmissible double. Partner has to pass throughout.

B) L36A, the double is taken away without further restrictions.

C) Though it might be easier to apply L36C, the auction period is not over yet, L36A applies also here. Rather inconvenient. No UI restrictions.

## Hand 4

West	North	East	South	Board 4	♠ J 9 8 7 5
			2 NT	Both Vul	♥ 9 5 2
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠	IMPs	♦ Q 10
Pass	3 NT	Pass	4 ♠		♣ Q 10 6
Pass	Pass	Pass			
			♠ A 4 2		♠ K 3
			♥ A J 8 7 3		♥ Q 6
			♦ —		♦ 9 8 6 5 4 3
			♣ 9 7 5 4 2		♣ J 8 3
					♠ Q 10 6
					♥ K 10 4
					♦ A K J 7 2
			4 ♠ South		♣ A K

East leads the 6♦

TD should explain all the options

- A. Declarer says lead whatever you like – west leads a club
- a. When east gains the lead, he plays his penalty card and gets a ruff beating the contract. South complains that East may not have led a diamond at that point and he has been prejudiced by the ruling.

TD should stick around until the penalty card is disposed of.

- B. Declarer says lead a diamond
- a. West cannot lead a diamond and can therefore lead what he likes. He leads a club. No penalty card for East. But when east gains the lead, he knows to switch to a diamond. Have N/S been prejudiced

### Answers

- A) The knowledge that West is void in diamonds arises from the legal procedures of the Laws (L59) and as such is authorised under Law 16A1c. As an aside, it's not clear that NS are actually damaged, since East would almost certainly lead a diamond at the first opportunity anyway.