

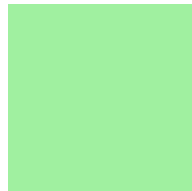


Leading with a sequence

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Favour the most aggressive lead. With a sequence containing one or several honors. The general rule is "lead from a sequence in your strongest and shortest suit." In a trump contract, you can be less strict on sequence quality.

S	W	N	E
			1 ♥
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			



K	Q	10		
♠	♠	♠		
4	2			
♥	♥			
10	5	2		
♣	♣	♣		
J	10	9	4	2
♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Exercise 2003 Here lead K♠ even if your sequence isn't perfect.



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The general rule is "lead from a sequence in your strongest and shortest suit." When you have 2 sequences - which one?

S	W	N	E
			1 ♠
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			



6	4		
K	J	9	
J	10	9	3
Q	J	9	7

Exercise 2804 Which sequence do you choose between ♣ and CA?

CA! If your P has the King you will establish one ♦ trick, this won't be the case with a ♣ lead.



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Rules although made to be followed, shouldn't stop us from thinking! In the example below, a ♥ lead isn't one that's going to make the most tricks!

S	W	N	E
			1 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			



Q	7	2	
K	Q	2	
A	10	4	
Q	J	10	9

Exercise 3680 Lead with Q♦. Your P has zero points (your Opps around 26HCP and you have 14HCP). He can't have the Ace♥. You may be able to establish a ♦ trick and keep open the possibility of 2 ♥ tricks.

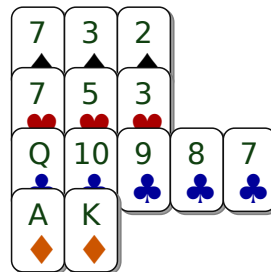
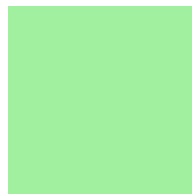


Leading with a sequence

Leading with 2 stiff honors.

- Respect the general rule ... only if you have stiff Ace and King!
- With stiff Ace and King, lead the King first, when your P sees the Ace played next he'll understand that it's a doubleton!

S	W	N	E
			1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	



Exercise 2161 Don't lead Ace ♦ lead the King ♦.