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Your partner promises precisely 15-17HCP with a regular hand. For a game to be possible you will need at least 8HCP

Two conventions are available to look for a potential fit in a Major. They are essential

1) Without a 4 card major :

- PASS with less than 8HCP
- 2 NT with 8-9HCP
- 3 NT with 10HCP

S	W	N	E
		1 NT	Pass
Pass			

J	8	6	5	Q	8	7	J	7	6	K	7	3
♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦

Problem E4821 PASS do not put your camp in danger if the opener's bid was minimum. Even if your partner is maximum, Game will not often succeed with a hand such as yours !

S	W	N	E
		1 NT	Pass
2 NT			

10	5	3	J	3	A	10	9	8	K	10	9	8
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E4822 2 NT with 8HCP ; your partner will decide. Minimum he'll pass, with 16 or 17HCP he'll bid game.



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2) with a 4 card Major (or two !)

- PASS with less than 8 HCP
- 2 ♣ Stayman with 8+ HCP .

By convention your partner will bid :

- 2 ♦ without any 4 card Major
- 2 SA with 4 cards in both Majors (système SEF que Dominique ne recommande pas...mais qu'il faut connaître !)
- His four card Major at the 2 level (2 ♥ or 2 ♠).

S	W	N	E
		1 NT	Pass
2 ♣			



Problem E2062 2 ♣ Stayman with more than 8HCP and a 4 card Major.

S	W	N	E
		1 NT	Pass
Pass			



Problem E2334 Without any distributional extra value, and with 7 HCP, do not play with fire . Be reasonable and Pass on 1NT opening bid.



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with a five card Major and without any minimum strength level : Texas transfers

In this convention, you bid the suit just below the one you are interested in :

- 2 ♦ for ♥
- 2 ♥ for ♠

The opener will 'rectify' on his next bid, with 2 ♥ (on 2 ♦) or 2 ♠ (on 2 ♥).

The Texas transfer enables the opener to be the declarer, this way the stronger hand remains hidden and receives the lead.

S	W	N	E
		1 NT	Pass
2 ♥	Pass		

A	K	Q	5	4	3	5	3	6	5	4	5	4
♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦

Problem E2074 Thanks to the Texas transfer, the opener becomes the declarer . It is a very useful protection for the honours in ♣, ♦ and ♥.