



By bidding 4 ♦ the responder shows a 5-5 major 2-suiter and values to play a game, but nothing more !All the opener has to do is choose between ♥ and ♠

S	W	N	E
1 NT	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

A	J	K	J	9	A	J	5	3	K	7	4	2
♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

Exercise 27446 4 ♥ with 3 ♥ and 2 ♠ !the choice is obvious...



Choosing the major when they have equal length

Careful !

When you majors have the same number of cards, choose the one that does not have an Ace; This way, you'll preserve the Ace for the secondary suit and will have a stopper. In case of a singleton lead in that suit, you won't suffer the 'infernal ruff'. Singleton ♥ lead taken by East's Ace that plays it back for the ruff.

S	W	N	E
1 NT	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥			



Exercise 1217 4 ♥ The champion's choice, who prefers (with same number of cards) the major without an Ace !

By choosing ♥ as trump you decrease the odds of a ruff as you can take the first trick in ♠.