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### Solutions

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## *Workshop 4*

- *How do you rule?*
- *Case Study*

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# Solutions

- 1.** A) The “Clarification Period” is the interval between the end of the auction and dummy appearing. B) During this period questions are asked regarding the bids, and if there was misinformation given by the declaring side (or a non-alert) this is declared here Also, bids above 3NT esp. blackwood responses must be told. Defenders must wait until the hand is over to own up MI instances.
- 2.** Yes and yes. At trick 1 when it is your turn to play. After that you may ask only what a certain bid meant but you cannot get the full review. (Y12)
- 3.** Sequence: Leave the bidding cards open until all questions are asked and answered, and the lead is made face down. Now the other defender can ask questions. The lead is then faced, bidding cards are returned to their boxes, dummy is spread, and now only write the details if you have a personal book *and only now do you key in the contract and lead into the bridgemate.*
- 4.** It is important to agree to the number of tricks made. In the case of a possible revoke, keep your cards in the same order as was played (important!). All done, then pick up your cards, a quick shuffle and return your 13 cards.

5. See page 49 in the simplified book (Y49)
6. When a card is accidentally dropped (playing 2 cards, e.g.) and the card is lower than a 10, it becomes a “minor” penalty card. You need not play it at the first legal opportunity if you play an honour instead. Furthermore, there are no lead penalties if partner obtains the lead whilst you have the minor penalty card.
7. If East has a penalty card and West obtains the lead, declarer has the following options:
  - a) He can demand the lead of the penalty card suit;
  - b) He can forbid the lead of the penalty card suit;
  - c) Let the penalty card remain.

If either a) or b) is chosen, the penalty card is returned to hand.

The TD has to determine whether the hesitation affected the auction, i.e. if there was another logical choice to what was chosen. See Law 16 (UI) (Y15)

Even if a poll is taken, most players would bid 2♥ in a).

And in b) the hesitation certainly assisted in the decision to bid on. The 2H bid here is thus cancelled, and the score adjusted to 1NT-2.

In c) it is not clear. Take a poll and decide. If 2 out of 5 choose PASS, then adjust.

- a) Everyone (well, at least 80%) would bid 2♥ - result stands.
- b) In the Director's opinion, some (in fact many) players would pass, so it is a logical alternative – result adjusted to 1NT-2.
- c) Is 'pass' a logical alternative? Possibly, in which case adjust to 1NT-2. But if possible, poll say five players of the same standard – how many would seriously consider 'pass' as a logical alternative, and would they then actually pass – if more than 1 in 5 – adjust to 1NT-2.