

STAMFORD BRIDGE CLUB

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RED SUIT TRANSFERS REVISION AND FURTHER

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The **principle** of transfer responses over 1NT is as follows:

- a response of 2♣ is Stayman
- a bid of 2♦ shows a 5-card or longer heart suit
- a bid of 2♥ shows a 5-card or longer spade suit

BUT ...

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WHAT IF RESPONDER'S LONG
WEAK SUIT IS ♣ OR ♦?

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If the Minor is headed by
AK

Pass

The hand will probably
play better in No Trumps
(lead round to NT hand)

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EG

♠ x x

♥ x x

♦ x x

♣ AK x x x x x

(may even make 3N)

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2

If there is also a four card major bid STAYMAN.

(remember weak Stayman)

IF 'wrong' response bid the minor. **OPENER MUST PASS.**

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EG

♠ J 9 8 7

♥ X X

♦ X

♣ K J 9 x x x

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1NT

2♦/♥

PASS

2♣ (Stayman)

3♣

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With a weak, long minor and no 4 card major we need a transfer system. There are several options. We suggest:

2♠ bid over 1NT is transfer to a minor suit.

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Opener must rebid 3♣

Responder will Pass or Correct to 3♦

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EG 1

♠ 9 8 7

♥ X X

♦ X

♣ K J 9 x x x x

11

1NT

3♣

2♠

PASS

12

EG 2

♠ 9 8 7

♥ x x

♦ K J 9 x x x x

♣ x

1NT

2♠

3♣

3♦

PASS