

**REOPENING DOUBLE &
WHAT YOU DO WHEN OPPONENT DOUBLES PARTNER'S OPENING BID**

North Passes

Partner passes	You Hold:	VOID Q842 AQ873 AQ63	You open 1 Diamond Your bid: Double (reopening)
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3 Spades by South

Let's think this through. North is a passed hand, South preempted, Partner passed. You have 14 HCPs. Partner might have hearts, or clubs, or maybe he has the Preemptor's spades. What harm can you do by doubling? Partner will either support your diamonds or bid hearts or bid clubs.

Partner's hand: AQ842
93
10965
K10.

Partner will convert your re-opening double to penalty. You must be short in the opponent's suit and support for the unbid suits to reopen with a double.

Tip: opponent opens 1 diamond, you bid 1 heart, opponent bids 1 NT, pass, pass, back to you. You can reopen with a double if you have support for the 2 unbid suits,
You should hold: K103 AQ754 64 KJ104 – double by you is takeout, not penalty

I got a question in my email asking if Jacoby 2NT was on over a double. You open 1 Heart, opponent doubles and partner bids 2 NT. Jacoby 2NT is off, it's natural, with stoppers in the other suits and doesn't have a heart fit with you.

We're going to discuss what to do when the opposition doubles your partner's opening bid. For part of this lesson, Also, 1 NT by partner, double by the opponent, do you know your bids?