

## ROMAN KEYCARD

25 Conventions Recommends 5 clubs 1-4, 5 diamonds 0-3, both 5 hearts w/out Q 5 spades with  
This version is called RKC 1430. Make sure you and your partner agree on which one you play. When partner responds 5 hearts or 5 spades, he immediately tells you whether or not he has the Q of trump. When he responds 5 clubs or 5 diamonds he does not. Therefore, you need an a second asking bid to discover that information. Once you know how many key cards are missing. Perhaps you want to bid a slam (or a grand slam). You might need partner to have the Q of trump to solidify your trump suit.

After the first RCK response, "the lowest available bid that is not your agreed suit, asks about the Q. You bid 4 NT, partner responds 5 clubs, 5 diamonds asks about the Q, except when hearts is your agreed suit, then 5 spades asks.

How do you respond to the Q ask bid? The lowest available bid in the agreed trump suit denies the Q of trump (usually at the 5 level). Any other bid promises the Q of trump. Jump in the agreed trump suit shows the Q of trump, BUT denies an outside K. A bid of a suit other than the trump suit shows the Q of trump and the K in the bid suit. (As when cue bidding, you bid your lowest K if you have more than 1). However, you may not bid higher than 6 of the agreed suit – if you have Q of trump and a higher ranking K, bid 5 NT.

### HEARTS ARE TRUMP :

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| You hold: | A82 KQ83 J963 K4  | Partner bids 4 NT – your bid?  |
| You hold: | KQ63 K63 KJ875 3  | Partner bids 4 NT – your bid?  |
| You hold: | A94 AQ42 A1073 A5 | Partner bids 4 NT you bid 5 clubs<br>Partner bids 5 diamonds – your bid? |
| You hold: | AQ63 K63 AJ875 3  | Partner bids 4 NT you respond 5<br>Diamonds, partner 5 Hearts your bid?  |
| You hold: | A94 AQ42 A1073 A5 | Partner 4 NT your bid?   |
| You hold: | Q82 KQ83 J963 K4  | Partner 4 NT you bid 5 clubs<br>Partner bids 5 diamonds- your bid?       |
| You hold: | KQ63 Q32 QJ875 3  | Partner 4 NT you bid 5 diamonds<br>Partner 5 spades – your bid?          |
| You hold: | KQ63 K63 KJ875 3  | Partner 4 NT you bid 5 clubs<br>Partner 5 diamonds – your bid?           |

KQJ1083 DEALER – 2 clubs  
 9 2 Spades  
 KQ4 4NT  
 AKQ 5 Spades

Void 74 Pass  
 K865 Pass A1032  
 953 Pass A762 Pass  
 J109532 864 PASS

A9652  
 QJ74 2 Diamonds  
 J108 3 spades  
 7 5 Clubs (1 or 4)

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AKQ3	1 DIAMOND	J9742	1 SPADE
Q95	4 SPADES	A3	4 NT
AJ43	5 DIAMONDS	6	5 HEARTS
K7	6 CLUBS	AQJ92	7 SPADES

Response of 5 Diamonds must be 3 because of the jump to 4 spades, 5 Hearts is Q ask  
 6 clubs shows the Q of trump and King of clubs

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CUTE HAND

KQJ6 DEALER – 2 CLUBS  
 A2  
 AKQJ  
 A72

982 43 5 CLUBS  
 J10439 87  
 8762 3  
 8 KQJ106543

A1075  
 KQ65  
 10954  
 9 YOUR bid?????

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