

## BFP BP L14 Suit Preference Discards

### Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

♠ A Q J 7 5 4

♥ 10 9 5

♦ A 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 2

♥ A K Q 4 3

♦ 8 6 4

♣ 8 6 4

♠ K 10

♥ J 7 6

♦ K Q J 5

♣ K J 10 5

N
E

W
S

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	3	3	1	3	1
S	3	3	1	3	1
E	-	-	-	-	-
W	-	-	-	-	-

13

4 9

14

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
All pass			

East leads ♥ A followed by ♥ K and ♥ Q, when West encourages with ♥ 8 and ♥ 2.

On the third round of hearts West has an opportunity to signal for a club lead in accordance with their agreed discard system. If using HELD it would be ♣ 7. If McKenney or Revolving it would be ♦ 2.

If East leads a club to West's ♣ A the contract is one down, but if East leads a diamond declarer can make the contract by drawing trumps and discarding his two clubs on dummy's diamonds.

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## Board 2

## East Deals

# N-S Vul

♠ 7 6 2

♥ K J

♦ K 9 7 4

♣ A 6 5 4

♠ A 5 4 3

♥ A Q 8

♦ 10 3

♣ Q J 10 9

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	-	-	1	-	-
S	-	-	1	-	-
E	1	1	-	3	3
W	1	2	-	3	3

♠ 8

♥ 10 9 7 6 5 4

♦ A 8 6

♣ 8 7 2

♠ K Q J 10 9

♥ 3 2

♦ Q J 5 2

♣ K 3

11

**13    12**

4

## West

# North

East

# South

4 ♠

## All pass

1 ♠

# Pass

South doesn't have a good opening lead, best of a bad bunch looks to be top of a sequence ♥ 10. Declarer wins dummy's ♥ A and North's ♥ J signals that he has ♥ K.

As declarer clears trumps, South has an opportunity to signal for a diamond lead in accordance with their agreed discard system.

If using HELD ♦ 8 would do the job.

If McKenney it would be ♥ 7 (not hearts, so the higher ranking of diamonds and clubs).

If Revolving it would be ♥ 4 (down the ranking to diamonds).

When declarer leads clubs, North wins ♣ A, cashes ♥ K, then leads ♦ 4. South wins ♦ A and returns a diamond to North's ♦ K to defeat the contract.

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### Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 5 4 3

♥ A Q 8

♦ 10 3

♣ Q J 10 9

♠ —

♥ 10 9 7 6 5 4

♦ A 8 6 4

♣ 8 7 2



♠ 8 7 6 2

♥ K J

♦ K 9 7

♣ A 6 5 4

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	1	-	-	3	3
S	1	-	-	3	3
E	-	-	2	-	-
W	-	-	2	-	-

♠ K Q J 10 9

♥ 3 2

♦ Q J 5 2

♣ K 3

13  
4 11  
12

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All pass

West doesn't have a good opening lead, best of a bad bunch looks to be top of a sequence ♥ 10. Declarer wins dummy's ♥ A and West's ♥ J signals that he has ♥ K.

Declarer takes a round of trumps, discovering the 4-0 break.

West must discard and this is an opportunity to signal for a diamond lead in accordance with their agreed discard system. If using HELD ♦ 8 would do the job.

If McKenney it would be ♥ 7 (not hearts, so the higher ranking of diamonds and clubs).

If Revolving it would be ♥ 4 (down the ranking to diamonds).

Declarer switches to clubs. East wins ♣ A, cashes ♥ K, then leads ♦ 7. West wins ♦ A and returns a diamond for East to win ♦ K to defeat the contract.

## BFP BP L14 Suit Preference Discards

### Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 9 7  
♥ A K 9 6 3 2  
♦ 7 6  
♣ 8 2

♠ Q 8 6 5 4  
♥ Q 7  
♦ A K 5  
♣ A K 7



♠ A K 3 2  
♥ J 8 4  
♦ 4 3 2  
♣ Q 9 4

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	-	-	-	-	-
S	-	-	-	-	-
E	2	2	1	4	5
W	2	2	1	4	5

♠ 10  
♥ 10 5  
♦ Q J 10 9 8  
♣ J 10 6 5 3

8  
18 10  
4

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All pass

North leads ♥ A followed by ♥ K after South has encouraged with ♥ 10.

When West plays ♥ Q, North knows that both South and West have no more hearts. East's ♥ J is now a winner, so North plays another round of hearts to be ruffed by South.

If declarer overruffs with ♠ Q, he will lose two more tricks to ♠ J and ♦ Q for one down.

If declarer simply discards ♦ 5, he will be able to make the contract by taking the remaining 10 tricks.

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### Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 5 4 3	♠ K J 10 8	♠ 7 6 2
♥ 5 3 2	♥ 9 8 7	♥ A K Q 10
♦ 8 4 3	♦ A 10	♦ 7 6 2
♣ 5 4 3	♣ A Q 10 9	♣ 7 6 2

  

	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ N	♠ Q 9	
N	3 3 2 3 2	♥ J 6 4	14
S	3 3 2 3 2	♦ K Q J 9 5	4 9
E	- - - - -	♣ K J 8	13
W	- - - - -		

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Pass	3 NT
All pass			

After East leads ♥ A, ♥ K, ♥ Q, and ♥ 10, West wants to signal for a spade lead using their agreed discard system.

Using HELD it is difficult and best perhaps is ♣ 3 to discourage clubs and hoping partner guesses you don't want diamonds. Using McKenney discarding ♦ 8 or using Revolving discarding ♣ 3 are clearer signals for a spade.

Note that if North does not lead spades immediately after the hearts, then declarer can make nine tricks in the minors.

## Board 6

East Deals  
E-W Vul

♠ 10 4 2  
 ♥ A 9 7  
 ♦ A 6 5 4 3 2  
 ♣ Q

♠ K 7 6  
 ♥ 5 3  
 ♦ Q 7  
 ♣ A K J 10 6 5

♠ A Q J 8  
 ♥ Q 10 6  
 ♦ K J 9  
 ♣ 9 4 2

♠ 9 5 3  
 ♥ K J 8 4 2  
 ♦ 10 8  
 ♣ 8 7 3

♠ 10  
 ♥ 13  
 ♦ 13  
 ♣ 4

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	-	-	1	-	-
S	-	-	1	-	-
E	4	-	-	4	1
W	4	-	-	4	1

With no honour sequence, South leads fourth highest ♥ 4 from his longest suit. North wins with ♥ A and returns ♥ 9. Declarer plays ♥ 6 followed by ♥ 10.

Winning economically with ♥ J, South reasons that the only missing hearts are ♥ Q7. Hoping that North has one, South continues with ♥ K. When declarer's ♥ Q falls under ♥ K, North cashes ♥ 8 and ♥ 2 to defeat the contract.

When South is winning hearts North's discards should be trying to signal for a diamond lead.

If using HELD ♦ 6 followed by ♦ 2 would do the job.

If McKenney it would be ♠ 10 (not spades so higher ranking of diamonds and clubs).

If Revolving it would be ♠ 2 (down the ranking to diamonds).

South switches to a diamond and North wins with  $\spadesuit A$ . Declarer now has all the remaining tricks, but we've taken the first six to put the contract two down.

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### Board 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 5 3

♥ K J 8 4 2

♦ 10 8

♣ 8 7 3

♠ K 7 6

♥ 5 3

♦ Q 7

♣ A K J 10 6 5

♠ A Q 4 2

♥ A 9

♦ 9 6 5 4 2

♣ 9 4

N

W      E

S

13

4    10

13

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	3	1	-	2	2
S	3	1	-	1	2
E	-	-	-	-	-
W	-	-	-	-	-

♠ J 10 8

♥ Q 10 7 6

♦ A K J 3

♣ Q 2

West	North	East	South
			1 NT
Pass	3 NT	All pass	

With no honour sequence, West leads fourth highest ♥ 4 from his longest suit. East wins with ♥ A and returns ♥ 9, declarer playing ♥ 6 followed by ♥ 10.

Winning economically with ♥ J, West reasons the missing hearts are ♥ Q7. Hoping that East has one, West leads ♥ K, but East discards ♦ 2. What should West lead to trick 4?

On the third round of hearts, partner discarded ♦ 2, so does not want diamonds led. Looking at dummy's clubs and knowing that declarer must have at least two for a 1 NT opener, it is unlikely that partner wants clubs, so spades is the only option.

East wins two tricks with his ♠ Q and ♠ A to defeat the contract.

Declarer now has all the remaining tricks, but we've taken the first five to put the contract one down.

## BFP BP L14 Suit Preference Discards

### Board 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 5 3  
♥ K J 8 4 2  
♦ 10 8  
♣ 8 7 3

♠ A Q J 8  
♥ Q 10 6  
♦ K J 9  
♣ 9 4 2

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	-	-	1	-	-
S	-	-	1	-	-
E	4	-	-	4	1
W	4	-	-	4	1

W N E S

♠ K 7 6  
♥ 5 3  
♦ Q 7  
♣ A K J 10 6 5

♠ 10 4 2  
♥ A 9 7  
♦ A 6 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q

4  
13 13  
10

West  
1 NT

North  
Pass

East  
3 NT

South  
All pass

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If Revolving it would be ♠ 2 (down the ranking to diamonds).

North switches to a diamond and South wins with ♦ A. Declarer now has all the remaining tricks, but we've taken the first six to put the contract two down.

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