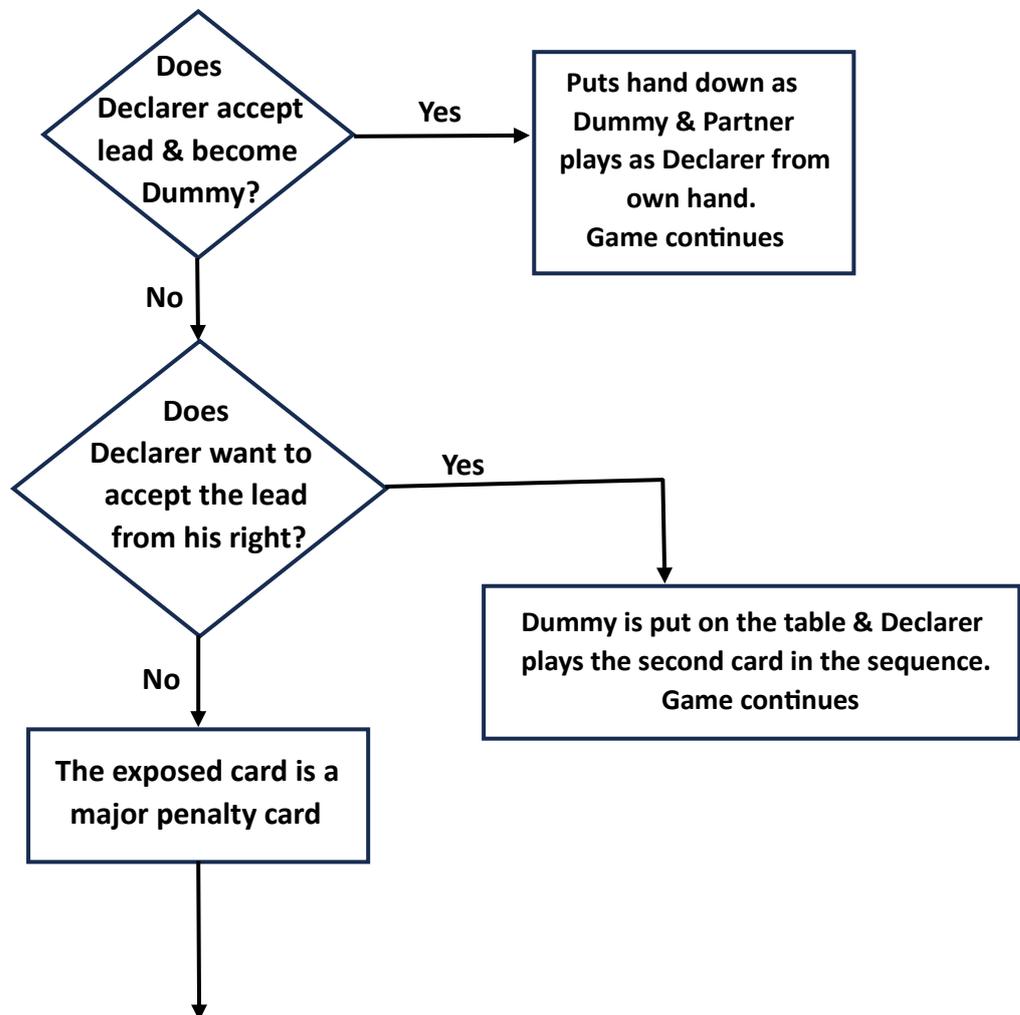


Guidance – Opening Lead by Wrong Defender

The guidance given in this note is for when the players at the table cannot agree and call the Director.



As the Offender's partner has the lead Declarer's options are:

- 1) Require the defender to lead the suit. The penalty card is then picked up.
- 2) Forbid the defender to lead the suit until he loses the lead. The penalty card is then picked up once the lead is lost
- 3) Allow the defender to do as he likes. The exposed card remains as a major penalty on the table until it is played or picked up and Declarer can continue to exercise any of these options while it remains on the table.

If the Offender comes on lead the exposed penalty card must be played immediately.