

Relay To The Minors - SUMMARY

Opener bids 1NT.

Partner has 15-17 hcp and a balanced hand. RHO and LHO are passing.

If Opponents DO bid, then Responder will pass – not showing the long Minor suit anymore (until they learn a higher-level fix for the problem).

Responder bids 2S – Relay to the Minors

Responder has a 6+-card Minor suit AND a very weak hand: 0-4 hcp.

This hand is usually worthless in NT because Partner will not win tricks in Dummy and be able to run the long Minor suit. The Minor suit is only good as a trump suit.

This is an ALERTABLE bid! 1NT Opener must say "ALERT"

1NT Opener now knows that this auction will end on the 3 level. There is no game. The only thing for the partners to do now is to find the right Minor suit contract.

Opener's Rebid - Opener MUST bid 3C

Opener does not know if Responder's suit is Clubs or Diamonds. Opener bids Clubs since it is the lower Minor suit.

This is an <u>ALERTABLE</u> bid! Responder must say "ALERT"

Responder either passes 3C or corrects the auction by bidding 3D

If Responder's suit is Clubs, he/she passes Opener's rebid.

If Responder's suit is Diamonds, he/she bids 3D over Opener's 3C.

3D as a correction is <u>NOT</u> an Alertable bid! It is a natural bid. No alert needed.

This auction is over! Good luck!

NOTE: There is no Relay to the Minor after a 2NT Opener

With a long Minor suit and 0 - 3 points, Responder Passes and hopes Opener can make a 2NT contract.

Texas Transfer - SUMMARY

Some pointers on using Texas Transfers vs Jacoby Transfers

- 1. You still use the old Jacoby Transfer at times. But now you add the Texas Transfer into your repertoire.
- 2. Responder has a 6+-card Major Suit: May Add Distribution Right Now Before Making a First Response

0 – 9 points Jacoby Transfer – just like the old days

10 – 16 points Texas Transfer

17+ points Jacoby Transfer first – then Ask for Aces

Responder has a 5-and-only-5-card Transfer: No Distribution without a Known Fit with Opener

0+ hcp Jacoby Transfer

3. The point of using a Texas Transfer with a 6+-card Major suit in Responding hand (a KNOWN Fit) and 10 – 16 Game-Going points is to get the partnership to a Major Suit Game as quickly as possible.

Don't let the Opponents make <u>Lead-Directing</u> bids to converse with each other.

4. If Responder has 17+ hcp, Responder already knows there is a Slam. Responder will be tasked with Asking For Aces during the auction.



WORKSHEETS: Look for DEALER and Bid starting at that hand. Don't worry about the VUL. Count your hcp. You might have too many lines for your bids. Didn't want to telegraph how many bids you need for the hand. Answers follow.

BBO Practice Hands: Texas Transfer and Relay to the Minors									
Board: 1 Dealer: N Vul.: None AQ43 J65 8632 AT M W E S JT9 974 9 49 4087543	Board: 2 Dealer: S Vul.: None	Board: 3 Dealer: S Vul.: None \$\infty 964\$ \$\infty 964\$ \$\infty 964\$ \$\infty 97432\$ \$\infty AT32\$ \$\infty J797432\$ \$\infty J986\$ \$\infty T53\$ \$\infty AJ872\$ \$\infty AJ872\$ \$\infty AK87\$ \$\infty T3\$ \$\infty KQ66\$	Board: 4 Dealer: S Vul.: None **\Pi Q **\Pi T986542 **\Pi A852 **\Pi AJ **\Pi P732 **\Pi A97 **\Pi KT76 **\Pi Q3 **\Pi AK85						

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Board: 5 Dealer: S Vul.: NS Vul.: NS	Board: 6 Dealer: N Vul.: None **AT7 **KQT3 **AK4 **J53 **Q2 **9862 **QJT6 **YQ2 **PQJT6 **AK4 **A764 **J6 **A75 **9532	Board: 7 Dealer: N Vul.: EW AA62 ▼T3 ◆AK5 ★KQJ97 ★K43 ▼Q9875 ◆Q7 ★A83	Board: 8 Dealer: S Vul.: EW
♦ KQ5 ♦ A96 ♦ 93 ♣ AKJ43	↑T98 ▼K98543 ↓J4 ♣87	♦987 ♥J6 ♦J98643 ♣T6	♦ J765 ♥ K6 ♦ AK6 ♣ AQ76

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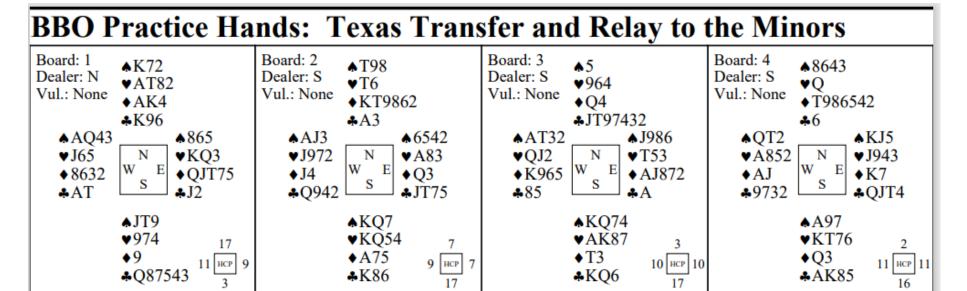


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Board: 9 Dealer: N Vul.: NS AK8 ✓ A4 ✓ Q94 ♣ AKJ43	Board: 10	Board: 11	Board: 12
	Dealer: S	Dealer: S	Dealer: N
	Vul.: EW	Vul.: None	Vul.: None
AQJ654	↑T982	AJ3 ◆QJT52 ◆QT76 AS118742 A92 ◆9873 ◆J532 AS3 AS92 AS98 AS98	↑7432
♦65	↑A92		♥QT32
♦732	↑A9		♥JT2
\$862	↑P754 ↑Q643		↑A5 ↑AQJ9
W E	↑865		♥ 54
S JT65	↑QJ		♥ 9765
\$T75	↑AT82		↑432
♦97	AK7	♦ KQ74	♦ 8
♥KT9873	♥QT74	♥ K4	♥KJ96
♦AK8	♦KT8	♦ AK98	♦84
♣Q9	&KQ6	♣ AQ6	♣ KQT987

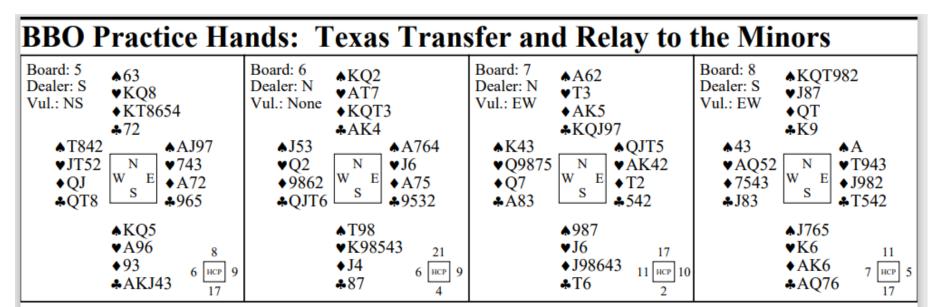
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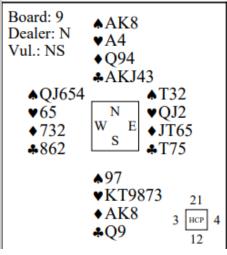
W N E S	W N E S	W N E S
1NT	1NT	1NT
P P P	P 2S * P 3C	P 2S * P 3C *
	P P P	P 3D P P P
Dec: 1NT by South	Dec: 3C by South	Dec: 3D by North
	* Alert	* Alert
This is Natural Bidding by Responder.	This is a Relay to the Minors	This is a Relay to the Minors
Responder has JUST enough hcp to help Partner take 7 tricks in 1NT Don't show the 6+ card Minor.		
	TNT P P P Dec: 1NT by South This is Natural Bidding by Responder. Responder has JUST enough hcp to help Partner take 7 tricks in 1NT	This is Natural Bidding by Responder. This is Partner take 7 tricks in 1NT TINT P 2S* P 3C P P P Dec: 3C by South * Alert This is a Relay to the Minors





W N E S	W N E S	W N E S	W N E S
P 2NT P 3NT P P P	2NT P 4D* P 4H P P P	1NT P 2S* P 3C* P 3D P P P	1NT P 4H * P 4S P P P
Dec: 3NT by South	Dec: 4H by North	Dec: 3D by South * Alert	Dec: 4S by South
This is a Natural Bidding by Responder.	* Announcement This is a Texas Transfer	This is a Relay to the Minors	* Announcement This is a Texas Transfer
Responder has 8-9 hcp – Invitational Ignore the 6+ card Minor. Invite in NT.			

BBO Practice Hands: Texas Transfer and Relay to the Minors



Board: 10 ♦J5 Dealer: S ♥KJ3 Vul.: EW ◆765432 **♣**J3 **↑**T982 **♦**0643 **♥**A92 N **♥**865 Ε ♦A9 ♦ QJ S **♣**9754 **♣**AT82 ♠AK7 ♥QT74 6 ♦KT8 8 нср 9 ♣KQ6

Board: 11 **▲**T865 Dealer: S **♥**A6 Vul.: None **♦**4 **♣**JT8742 **♠**J3 **▲** A92 ♥OJT52 **♥**9873 ♦QT76 ♦ J532 S **♣**53 **&**K9 **♦**KO74 **♥**K4 5 ♦AK98 6 нср **♣**AQ6

Board: 12 **♦**KT65 Dealer: N **♥**A87 Vul.: None ♦AKQ3 **♣**J6 **♠**7432 AOJ9 ♥QT32 N **♥** 54 ♦JT2 **♦**9765 S **♣**A5 **♣**432 **♠**8 ▼KJ96 17 **♦**84 **♣**KQT987

W	N	E	<u> </u>
	2NT	Р	3D *
Р	3H	Р	4NT
Р	5S	Р	6H
Р	Р	Р	
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Dec: 6H by North

* Announcement

This is a Jacoby Transfer. TOO MANY hcp to use Texas. Use Jacoby and explore Slam.

W	N	Е	S	
			1NT	
Р	Р	Р		

Dec: 1NT by South

This is Natural Bidding by Responder.

Responder has JUST enough hcp to help Partner take 7 tricks in 1NT Don't show the 6+ card Minor.

W	N	Е	<u>S</u>
			2NT
Р	3C	Р	3S
Р	4S	Р	Р
Р			

Dec: 4S by South

This is a Stayman Convention. Enough hcp for Game. Ignore the 6+card Minor. Bid Stayman to search for a Major Suit Fit.

W	N	Е	S
	1NT	Р	2C
Р	2S	Р	2NT
Р	3NT	Р	Р
Р			

Dec: 3NT by North

This is a Stayman Convention Enough hcp for Invitation. Ignore the 6+card Minor. Bid Stayman to search for a Major Suit Fit.