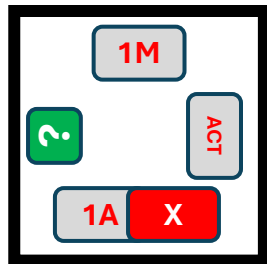




**FIND THE SUPPORT X**

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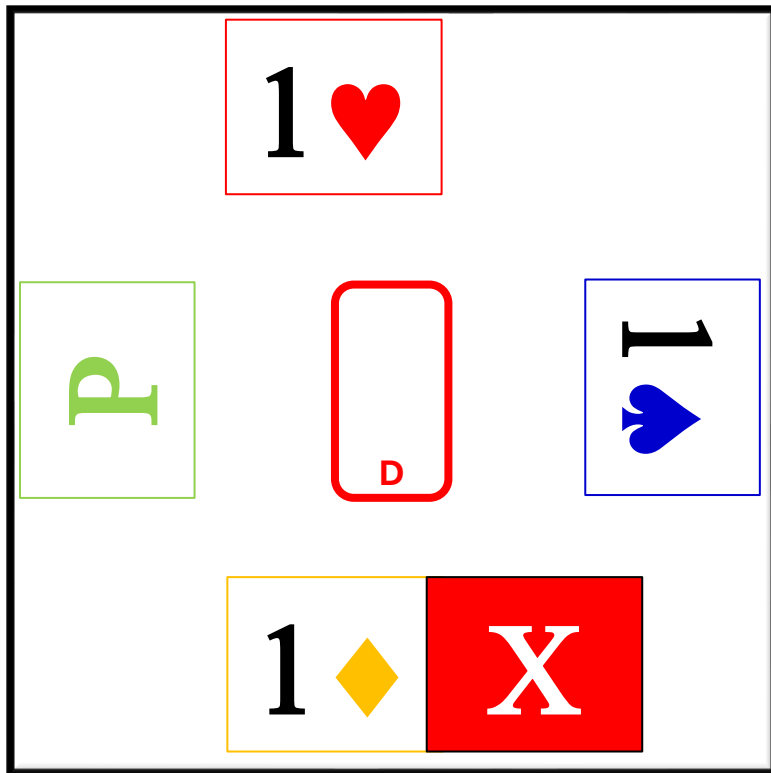


# THE SUPPORT DOUBLE

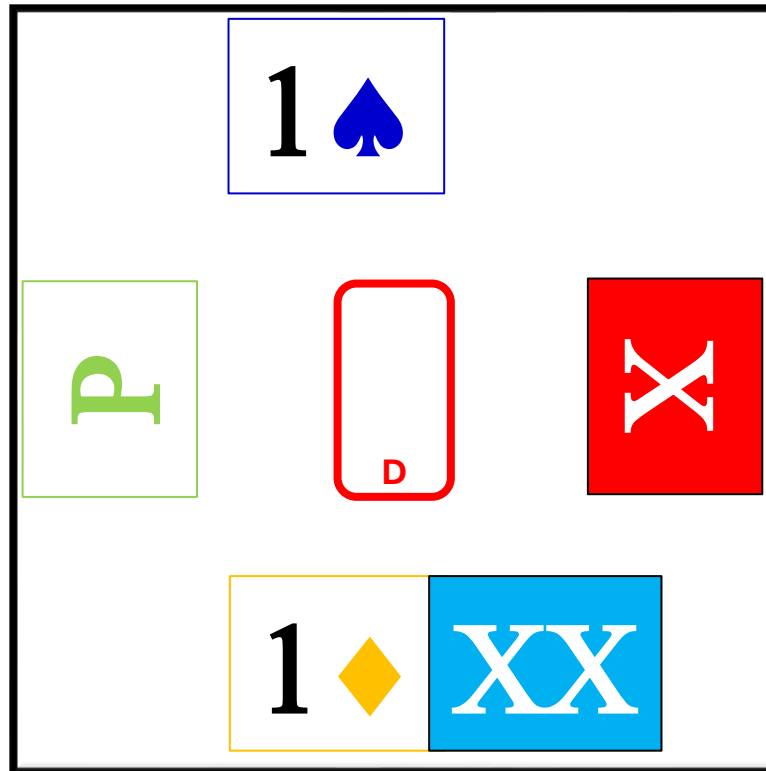
**OPENER'S WAY TO SHOW 3 CARD SUPPORT**

**(opener only)**

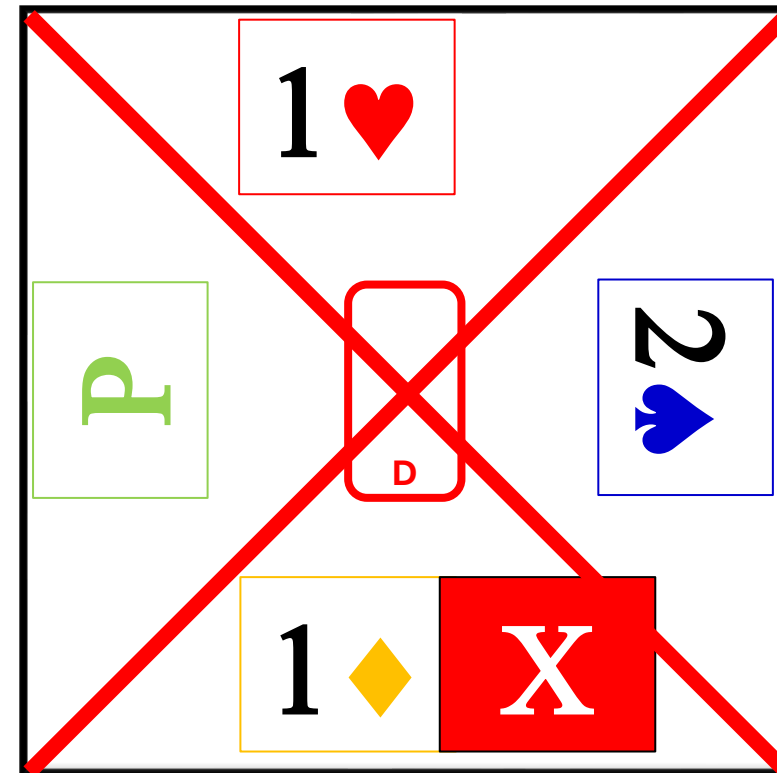
# THE SUPPORT DOUBLE



**3 CARD SUPPORT FOR HEARTS  
STILL 12 – 21 pts.**



**3 CARD SUPPORT FOR SPADES  
STILL 12 – 21 pts.**



**\*\*NOT A SUPPORT DOUBLE\*\***

**WE ARE ABOVE THE 2 LEVEL OF  
PARTNER'S SUIT!**

## MAKE YOUR CALL

WEST

NORTH

EAST

YOU

1 ♣

P

1 ♥

1 ♠

??

YOU

♠ 984

♥ J83

♦ AK

♣ KQT95

# THE SUPPORT DOUBLE

We double here to show partner exactly 3 hearts (3 card support for their suit)

We may not have a fit, but many times this is the call that confirms or denies it for our side.

Failure to make this bid denies 3 card support.

Correct Bid:

X

## MAKE YOUR CALL

WEST

NORTH

EAST

YOU

P

1♥

1♠

??

1♣

## YOU



AQ6



Q94



AJ



AQ985

# RULES FOR SUPPORT

## X's

- The **OPENING BIDDER** is the only person that will ever make a support double.
- We only play support doubles below the 2 level of responder's suit.
- Our range of values is still 12 – 21 (the support double doesn't limit our hand)
- Failure to make a support double always denies 3 card support!

Correct Bid:

X

## MAKE YOUR CALL

WEST

NORTH

EAST

YOU

1 ♣

P

1 ♥

X

??

## YOU



**AQ6**



**J94**



**86**



**AQ985**

# THE SUPPORT REDOUBLE

This is the **EXACT SAME AS THE SUPPORT DOUBLE**. The only difference is the action taken by the opponent prior to our bid.

When they bid – Double shows 3 cards  
When they dbl – Redouble shows 3 cards

Correct Bid:

**XX**

# THE SUPPORT X & XX

SUPPORT DOUBLES			
WEST	NORTH	EAST	YOU
			1♣
P	1♥	1♠	X
<b><u>YOU</u></b>			
♠	984		
♥	J83		
♦	AK		
♣	KQT95		

SUPPORT DOUBLES			
WEST	NORTH	EAST	YOU
			1♣
P	1♥	X	XX
<b><u>YOU</u></b>			
♠	984		
♥	J83		
♦	AK		
♣	KQT95		

# RESPONDING TO SUPPORT X'S

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
X	1♦	P 2♥	1♠ ??

♠ **KT864**  
 ♥ **832**  
 ♦ **A43**  
 ♣ **64**

♠ **AT864**  
 ♥ **9**  
 ♦ **KJ4**  
 ♣ **A963**

♠ **K6432**  
 ♥ **92**  
 ♦ **K84**  
 ♣ **A96**

♠ **T864**  
 ♥ **94**  
 ♦ **KJT4**  
 ♣ **A63**



# RESPONDING TO SUPPORT X'S

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
X	1♦	P	1♠
	XX	2♥	??

♠ **KT864**  
 ♥ **832**  
 ♦ **A43**  
 ♣ **64**

2♠

### WE FOUND A FIT

This shows a minimum response with a fit.

♠ **AT864**  
 ♥ **9**  
 ♦ **KJ4**  
 ♣ **A963**

4♠

### LEVEL & STRAIN SOLVED

Don't forget, partner opened!  
We found our 8 card fit and with this shape, have game!

♠ **K6432**  
 ♥ **92**  
 ♦ **K84**  
 ♣ **A96**

3♠

### INVITATIONAL

Just like normal. We want to invite partner to bid game in the suit we found a fit in.

♠ **T864**  
 ♥ **94**  
 ♦ **KJT4**  
 ♣ **A63**

P

### NICE OPTION

We have nothing left to say and are lucky to be able to pass the 2H bid.

# RESPONDING TO SUPPORT X'S

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	1♦	P	1♠
2♣	X	P	??

♠ T864  
 ♥ A4  
 ♦ KJT4  
 ♣ KT3

♠ T864  
 ♥ 94  
 ♦ KJT4  
 ♣ K43

♠ J864  
 ♥ A84  
 ♦ K4  
 ♣ 8432

♠ AT9864  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ KT4  
 ♣ A63

# RESPONDING TO SUPPORT X'S

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	1♦	P	1♠
2♣	X	P	??

 **T864**  
 **A4**  
 **KJT4**  
 **KT3**

2N

**INVITATIONAL (11-12)**  
We don't have a fit but are still interested in game. Our club stopper allows us to

 **T864**  
 **94**  
 **KJT4**  
 **K43**

2♦

**RETREAT**  
Here we are signing off in our most likely fit.

 **J864**  
 **A84**  
 **K4**  
 **8432**

2♠

**BEST OF BAD CHOICES**  
Sometimes we just have to make a bad choice.

 **AT9864**  
 **9**  
 **KT4**  
 **A63**

4♠

**FIT IS HUGE**  
Tons of extra shape and trumps. Let's play game!