

Stretch Raises

<u>N</u> <u>E</u> <u>S</u> <u>W</u>

1♥ **1**♠ ?

Do you have four cards in partner's suit? If so raise one level higher than you would have if there had been no interference.

♠ 10 8

A 7 6 5

• Q 10 9 8

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1♥ **1**♠ **3**♥

With 6 HCPs and 9 losers, with no interference a raise to 2♥ would be appropriate. After an overcall raise an extra level, in this case to 3♥ to

make life difficult for opponents. Partner must remember to discount the bid.

N E S W

1 **∨** X 3 **∨**

This also applies when opponents double instead of overcalling.



Redouble to Show Balance of HCPs (BoP)

After a double, no fit, opener's side have 20+

$$\underline{N}$$
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Redoubling the double shows 8+HCPs.

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- **765**
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