

4-Card Transfer-Oriented Canapé Symmetric Relay System

Known also as TOSR

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9. 2 SPADES OPENING

REQUIREMENT: 5-9 HCP, 6-card suit to at least one top honor (may be 5-cards if Non-Vulnerable with 2 of top 3 honors and a side Minor and 2+ controls, and may always be undisciplined in 3rd seat)

RESPONSES SUMMARY

2NT: Forcing relay

3 \heartsuit : To play?

3 \spadesuit : To play?

If Vulnerable, after 2 \heartsuit -2NT (Truscott Relays):

3 \heartsuit : Minimum, 5-7 HCP or 0-1 controls (then 3 \heartsuit asks: 3 \heartsuit = no shortage 3 \heartsuit asks top trumps: 3NT/4 \heartsuit = 2/1), 3 \spadesuit = singleton oM, 3NT = singleton minor (ask h/l).

3 \spadesuit : Max, 2+ controls, singleton Minor (3 \spadesuit asks h/l).

3 \clubsuit : Maximum, 2+ controls, no shortage (3 \clubsuit asks top trumps: 3NT/4 \clubsuit = 2/1).

3 \diamonds : Maximum, 2+ controls, singleton other Major.

3NT: AKQ or AKJ of Major (4 \heartsuit asks shortage: N/H/M/ 4NT = AKQJ suit)/L.

4 \heartsuit / / : Maximum, 2+ controls, H/M/L void.

Relays continue after distribution is shown: first a control ask (0+ for minimum, 2+ for maximum), then spiral scan for *any Aces, Kings, Queens* in first the opened Major and then the side fragments (high to low, irrespective of actual length, which is not known). 3NT and 4M and 4oM are never a relay. A super-relay is available as RKC for the opened Major.

If Non-Vulnerable, after 2 \heartsuit -2NT (Modified Truscott):

3 \heartsuit : 5-cards (then 3 \heartsuit asks shortness: h/m/l, may be followed by a normal control relay or a super-relay asking which Minor side suit), while 3M to play, 3oM natural and forcing.

3 \spadesuit : Maximum, 6-card suit, 2+ controls, singleton Minor (3 \spadesuit asks h/l).

3 \clubsuit : Maximum, 6-card suit, 2+ controls, singleton other Major (then controls or super-relay RKC).

3 \diamonds : Minimum, 6-card suit (3 \diamonds /4 \diamonds asks shortage N/H/M/L, then ask controls or super-relay RKC).

3NT: Maximum, 6-card suit, 2+ controls, no shortage (4 \heartsuit asks controls, 4 \heartsuit RKC).

4□ / / : Maximum, 2+ controls, H/M/L void (then controls or super-relay RKC).