

1997 original texts	2007 proposed Laws 22 - 25 (for publication)
<p>[Proposed deletions highlighted in yellow]</p> <p>Law 22 - After the auction period has ended,</p> <p>Law 22A - if no player has bid, the hands are returned to the board without play. There shall not be a redeal.</p> <p>Law 22B - if any player has bid, the final bid becomes the contract, and play begins.</p> <p>Law 72B1 - Whenever the Director deems that an offender could have known at the time of his irregularity that the irregularity would be likely to damage the non-offending side, he shall require the auction and play to continue, afterwards awarding an adjusted score if he considers that the offending side gained an advantage through the irregularity.</p> <p>Law 24 - When the Director determines, during the auction, that because of a player's action one or more cards of that player's hand were in position for the face to be seen by his partner, the Director shall require that every such card be left face up on the table until the auction closes; and (penalty) if the offender subsequently becomes a defender, declarer may treat every such card as a penalty card (Law 50). In addition:</p>	<p>[Proposed additions and changes highlighted in yellow]</p> <p>LAW 22 - PROCEDURE AFTER THE BIDDING HAS ENDED</p> <p>When the final call of the auction is made</p> <p>A. No Player Has Bid</p> <p>if no player has bid, the hands are returned to the board without play. There shall not be a redeal.</p> <p>B. One or More Players Have Bid</p> <p>if any player has bid, the final bid becomes the contract (but see Law 19D).</p> <p>LAW 23 - AWARENESS OF POTENTIAL DAMAGE</p> <p>Whenever, in the opinion of the Director, an offender could have been aware at the time of his irregularity that this could well damage the non-offending side, he shall require the auction and play to continue (if not completed). When the play has been completed the Director awards an adjusted score if he considers the offending side has thereby gained an advantage*.</p> <p>* as, for example, by partner's enforced pass.</p> <p>LAW 24 - CARD EXPOSED OR LED PRIOR TO PLAY PERIOD</p> <p>When the Director determines that, prior to the play period, because of a player's action one or more cards of that player's hand were in position for the face to be seen by his partner, the Director shall require that every such card be left face up on the table until the auction closes. If the offender becomes declarer or dummy the cards are picked up and returned to the hand. If the offender becomes a defender every such card becomes a</p>

<p>Law 24A - If it is a single card below the rank of an honour and not prematurely led, there is no further penalty.</p> <p>Law 24B - If it is a single card of honour rank or is any card prematurely led, (penalty) offender's partner must pass when next it is his turn to call (see Law 23 when a pass damages the non-offending side).</p> <p>Law 24C - If two or more cards are so exposed, (penalty) offender's partner must pass when next it is his turn to call (see Law 23 when a pass damages the non-offending side).</p> <p>Law 25A - Until his partner makes a call, a player may substitute his intended call for an inadvertent call but only if he does so, or attempts to do so, without pause for thought. If legal, his last call stands without penalty; if illegal, it is subject to the applicable Law.</p>	<p>penalty card (see Law 50), then:</p> <p>A. Low Card Not Prematurely Led</p> <p>If it is a single card below the rank of an honour and not prematurely led, there is no further rectification.</p> <p>B. Single Card of Honour Rank or Card Prematurely Led</p> <p>If it is a single card of honour rank or is any card prematurely led offender's partner must pass when next it is his turn to call (see Law 23 when a pass damages the non-offending side).</p> <p>C. Two or More Cards Are Exposed</p> <p>If two or more cards are so exposed offender's partner must pass when next it is his turn to call (see Law 23 when a pass damages the non-offending side).</p> <p>LAW 25 - LEGAL AND ILLEGAL CHANGES OF CALL</p> <p>A. Immediate Correction of Unintended Call</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Until his partner makes a call, a player may substitute his intended call for an unintended call but only if he does so, or attempts to do so, without pause for thought*. If legal, his last call stands; if illegal, it stands and is subject to the appropriate Law. 2. If the auction ends before it reaches the partner no substitution may occur after an opening lead has been made. 3. If LHO has made a call before the unintended call is legally corrected he may withdraw his call (to which Law 16D then applies, the player who substituted his call being an offender for the purposes of that Law). <p>B. Call Intended</p>
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<p>Law 25B - Until LHO calls, a call may be substituted when Section A does not apply:</p>	<p>A legal call made intentionally (i.e. which was intended when made) may not be substituted; the substitution is illegal. The original call stands and the substituted call is cancelled. Law 16D applies to the cancelled call.</p> <p>* Using bidding boxes there must be no pause for thought after becoming aware of an unintended call placed.</p>
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