

How should the vulnerability affect your bidding?

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				NS	EW
3♠=	N	140		6	6
3♠+1	S	170		8	4
4♠=	S	420		12	0
4♠-1	S		50	3	9
4♠-2	N		100	0	12
3♠+2	S	200		10	2
3♠-1	S		50	3	9

Played 7 Times: 0, 2, 4, 6, 8,10, 12

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3♠+1	S	170		8	4	170		8	4
4♠=	S	420		12	0	620		12	0
4♠-1	S		50	3	9		100	3	9
4♠-2	N		100	0	12		200	0	12
3♠+2	S	200		10	2	200		10	2
3♠-1	S		50	3	9		100	3	9

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Competitive Auction

NS/EW: Non Vulnerable

Contr.	By	N-S	E-W	MPs	
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4♠=	N	420		10	2
4♥=	E		420	0	12
5♥-2	E	100		3	9
5♥-1X	E	100		3	9
4♠+1	N	450		12	0
3♠+1	S	170		6	6
5♥-2-X	E	300		8	4

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NS/EW: Non Vulnerable EW: **Vulnerable**

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4♠=	N	420		10	2	420		8	4
4♥=	E		420	0	12		620	0	12
5♥-2	E	100		3	9	200		5	7
5♥-1X	E	100		3	9	200		5	7
4♠+1	N	450		12	0	450		10	2
3♠+1	S	170		6	6	170		2	10
5♥-2-X	E	300		8	4	500		12	0

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In a competitive auction: Bid more aggressively, when non-Vulnerable.

- **Favourable Vulnerability** =
You: non-vulnerable, them: vulnerable
- **Equal Vulnerability** =
Both vulnerable or non vulnerable
- **Unfavourable Vulnerability** =
You: vulnerable, them: non-vulnerable.

In a competitive auction use the Law of Total Tricks:

- Compete to the level of your combined trumps (e.g. 9 trumps, bid to the 3 level).
- If it seems like both sides have a fit do not let the opponents play at the 2 level.
- If both sides have a good fit in the major suits, it is normally right to compete to 4♠ over 4♥.
- With extreme distribution, consider bidding more, especially at favourable vulnerability.

In a non-competitive auction, the vulnerability has almost no affect on Duplicate Pairs scoring.

- An example of a competitive auction.
- <http://tinyurl.com/y6s9wb4n>
- <http://tinyurl.com/y59yn8bo>