

Flannery

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<http://watsongallery.ca/bridge/aaBidding/Flannery.pdf>

2♦		Flannery, 5 ♥'s, 4♠'s, 11-15 HCP
	P	6 ♦'s to play
	2♥	to play
	2♠	to play
	2NT	asks for fragment
	3♣	6 card ♣'s to play
	3♦	pick your best major
	3♥	invitational
	3♠	invitational
	3NT	to play
	4♣	transfer to ♥'s
	4♦	transfer to ♠'s
	4♥	to play
	4♠	to play
2♦	2NT	
3♣		4-5-1-3 or 4-5-0-4
3♦		4-5-3-1 or 4-5-4-0
3♥		minimum with 2-2
3♠		maximum with 2-2
3NT		maximum with Qx or better in both minors
4♣		4 card ♣ fragment and good hand

4♦ 4 card ♦ fragment and good hand

After 2NT response:

4♣ RKC for ♥

4♦ RKC for ♠

4♥ = to play

4♠ = to play

After Board 19 of 3rd Session (Dec 2, 2015, 1:00pm) of Mini BRPrs, we added transfers, 4♣ and 4♦

Implications from using Flannery

W E

1♥ 1♠ is five ♠'s

Without Flannery

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1♥ 1♠ is a good four ♠'s and not Jxxx because you hardly want a ♠ lead and you would hardly want to play a Moysian ♠ contract.

1♥ 1NTF

2♦ promises 4 ♦'s

1♥ 1NTF

2♣ promises 2 ♣'s

Defense against 2♦ Flannery

2♦	Dbl			15+
	2♥			takeout double of ♥
	2♠			opening values 5+ ♠'s
	2NT			unusual
	3♣			opening values 6+ ♣'s
	3♦			opening values 6+ ♦'s
	3♥			WQ
	3♠			6+ ♠'s invitational, 8-9 winners
	3NT			to play, 8.5 to 10 tricks, majors stopped
2♦	Dbl	2M	Dbl	Penalty dbl by advancer
2♦	Dbl	P	2N	Lebensohl
2♦	3♥	P		
			4♣	no stopper nonforcing
			4♦	stopper, forcing
			4♠	6+ ♠'s enough for game

Defense against 2♥ Flannery

2♥ DbI Takeout
2NT strong NT (tricks not random HCP)

2♥ DbI P 2♠
P 3♣ shows the minors

2♥ 2NT P 3m natural NF
3♥ artificial GF

A double cannot be strong here, because they can redouble for business, but with 2N directly they must commit to double without knowing if partner min or max.

Example from BBO

Board 3

South Dealer East West Vulnerable

♠AQ63 ♥KQ643 ♦82 ♣32

♠9 ♥J1052 ♦K10763 ♣AQ9

♠KJ1075 ♥7 ♦AQ9 ♣J876

♠842 ♥A98 ♦J54 ♣K1054

N	E	S	W
		P	P
2♦	P	2♥	P
P	2♠	All Pass	

Opening Lead: ♥Ace

2♠E-1 -100 -5.0 imps

Analysis:

I have no idea why partner would enter this auction
stay out

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References:

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