

# Common Director Calls

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- **Not calling the Director**
  - If a player knows enough to know the ruling then they should know enough to know that the director should be called.
- **Lead out of Turn**
  - Is this the most frequent? Must be close to it.
- **Insufficient Bid**
  - This is the one infraction which people tend to correct on their own
  - Although making it sufficient is the common ruling, the director should be called so the options can be explained.
- **Call Made**
  - Changes can be made if the call is a mechanical error not a change of mind
- **Card Played**
  - It is played if it is held touching the table or nearly touching the table.
  - A defendant's card is played if his partner could have seen it had he been looking.
- **Revoke**
  - the laws have changed regarding this infraction in 2008
  - Equity is restored to the non-offender
- **Exposed Cards**
  - Minor penalty cards (9 or less either dropped or played with another card)
  - There are no lead restrictions with a minor penalty card and it need not be played at the first opportunity. It must be the first non-honour card played from that suit.
- **Use of Unauthorized Information**
  - Explanations, alerts, etc by partner cannot be used to clarify one's bidding.
- **Faulty Claims**
  - Saying "The rest are mine" or showing one's cards constitute a claim
  - It is true that the declarer cannot have a penalty card but the statement that the declarer can show his whole hand is false, because that would either be a claim or acceptance of an opening lead out of turn.
- **Alert problems**
  - one must alert and explain partnership agreements without necessarily disclosing the contents of one's hand.
- **Call out of turn**
  - Can be accepted but the non-offender must take advantage of the law in order to offset the unauthorized information.
  - Usually is not accepted and the offender pays the penalty.

Example: North is the dealer and West passes. North is the first to bid and should never accept the Pass. He is not afraid of a pre-empt being in first seat.