South Australian Bridge Federation Inc

Director's Quick Reference Guide

Insufficient Bid (Laws 26 - 27)

Insufficient Bid
i.e. a bid that does not supersede the previous bid

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Is the call accepted?
This option is given to the player next in rotation to the insufficient bid. If that player has already called then the insufficient bid has been accepted

→ **Yes** →

Auction continues.
The next bid must be higher than the insufficient bid but does not need to be higher than any previous bids

↓ **No**

Offender may make any sufficient bid or pass.
They may not X or XX unless it complies with Option 2 below
There are three options

Option 1

Offender may make a bid that shows the same denomination as the insufficient bid at the lowest legal level.
Bidding continues with no further rectification (*there is no UI*).

or

Option 2

Offender may make a Comparable Call.*
Bidding continues with no further rectification (*there is no UI*).

*COMPARABLE CALL
A call that replaces a withdrawn call is a comparable call, if it:
1. has the same or similar meaning, or
2. is a subset of the meanings of the withdrawn call, or
3. has the same purpose as the withdrawn call.

or

Option 3

Offender may make any other sufficient bid or pass. Offender's partner must pass for the rest of the auction. **

If the offending side become the defenders, then declarer can prohibit offender's partner from leading any suit not specified in the **legal auction, by the offender, on their first turn to lead, this continues while they hold the lead.
Information from the withdrawn call is unauthorised to offenders partner