

THE LOSING TRICK COUNT *Cont...*



Counting Losers.

*I hope Bethany remembers:
We must have an 8+ card fit
before we use the LTC.*

COUNT YOUR LOSERS - In each suit

Count losers only in the top three cards of any suit. Anything beyond this is irrelevant.

A, K, Q are the only honour cards allowed in the top three. They are winners and any other cards present within this top 3 are losers.

If you have less than 3 cards in a suit you only concern yourself with these.

Short Holdings

Doubletons - A, K only allowed - any other cards present are losers.

Singletons - Ace only allowed - any other card is a loser.

Void - Say no more!! No losers.

Let's see how many losers there are in these card combinations.

Remember, only the **1st three top cards** of any suit are counted.

Suit	Ans.	Why?	Suit	Ans.	Why?
J952	3	AKQ missing	KQ	1	A missing
AQ10642	1	K missing	AK943	1	Q missing
AQ6	1	K missing	Void	0	
KQ8642	1	A missing	AKQ742	0	AKQ present
KQ62	1	A missing	QJ8653	2	AK missing
86	2	AK missing	109842	3	AKQ missing
Q5	2	AK missing	K	1	A missing
K3	1	A missing	Q	1	A missing
A96	2	KQ missing	AK	0	AK present
AK9	1	Q missing	J1086	3	AKQ missing



Q *Do I include the trump suit using the LTC.*

A *Yes.*