CARD COMBINATIONS: How to Play by Maritha Pottenger (rev2020)

AKJ10 opp xxx	Combination	# of Tricks Needed	Play
AJ10xx opp xxxx	AKJ10 opp xxx	4	Ace, then low to 10.
AQ10x opp Jxx	AKJ10 opp xx	4	Low to 10.
AJ10x opp Qxx	AJ10xx opp xxxx	4	Low to 10; then low to Jack
Alloxxx opp A9	AQ10x opp Jxx	4	Low to 10; then low to Queen
KJxxx opp A9	AJ10x opp Qxx	4	Low to 10; then low to Jack
K109xx opp Axx	A10xxx opp K9	4	Low to 9; then Ace, King
KJ10x opp Axxx	KJxxx opp A9	4	Low to 9; then Ace, King
AQ109xx opp x	K109xx opp Ax	4	Ace; then low to King
AKJ10x opp xx 5 AKJ10x opp xx 5 Cash Ace; then low to 10 J10xxx opp A 4 Ace; then LOW (need 3/3 or honor-x) J108xxx opp A 4 Ace, then low to Jack Al0xx opp Jxxx 2 Ace, then low to Jack Al0xx opp Jxxx 3 Low to 10, then Ace Low to y Queen; then low to 10. Axx opp KJxx 3 Axx opp KJxx 4 Ace, low to Jack Axx opp KJxx 4 Ace, low to Jack Axx opp KJxx 4 Ace, low to Jack AKQ10x opp xx 4 Ace, low to Jack AKQ10x opp xx 5 Ace, King, Queen With no dummy entry, low to 10 first King & low to 9 Ave, chen low card AJ10xx opp AK8xx 5 J10x opp AK8xx 5 Play Jack toward AK. If it holds, play 10 Ace, then low card AJ10xx opp x 5 Ace, King, Queen Cxx opp J9x 1 Low to 10. AKQ10x opp x 5 Low to 10. AKQ10x opp x 6 AC, King, Queen Low to 10. AKQ10x opp x 1 Low to 10; then low to 9. Kxx opp J9x 1 Low to 10; then low to 9. Kx opp J9x 1 Low to 10; then low to King, then low to 9. K10x opp xxx 1 Low to 10; then low to King next time K109 opp xxx 1 Low to 10; low to 9 (If bidding marks Ace in front of King, play King!) [Restricted Choice] QJ9 opp xxx 1 Low to 10, then low to Queen. [If bidding says AK behind QJ9, low to 8 pnd found) AJ9 opp xxx 1 Low to 10, then low to Queen, low to 9. Low to 10, then low to Queen, low to 9. Low to 10, then low to Queen, low to 9. Low to 10, then low to Queen. [If bidding says AK behind QJ9, low to 8 first round) AJ9 opp xxx 1 Low to 10, then low to Queen, low to 9. Low to 9. If it loses to king/queen, low to 10ack next. If LHO plays king or queen, take Ace and play low to 9 next [unless bidding tells otherwise]	KJ10x opp Axxx	4	Ace; then low to 10
AKJ10x opp xxx 5	AQ109xx opp x	5	Low to Queen (hoping Jx behind AQ)
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	Qxx opp A10x	2	Low to queen. If it loses, low to 10.

Ivy onn A 10v	2	Law to 10 than Aga
Jxx opp A10x	2	Low to 10, then Ace
Jxx opp A108		Run jack. If loses, low to 10. Covered, low to 8
Axxx opp Q10x	2	Low to 10. If loses, low to queen
Kxxx opp Q10x	2	Low to King; then low to 10
Qxx opp AJ9	3	Play Queen. If covered, return to hand and play
		Low to 9. If SURE doubleton King in front of
0.1000	2	AJ9, play low to jack first.
Q1098 opp Axxx	3	Run the 10. If it loses to Jack, Run the queen.
Q109x opp Axxx	3	Ace and low to 10.
K9x opp A10xx	3	Low to 9, then Ace and King
Ax opp J10xxx	3	Ace, then LOW (hoping for doubleton honor)
		If suit is 3-3, you always get 3 tricks.
Axx opp QJxx	3	Ace, then low to queen. If it wins, back to hand
		And low toward jack.
Jxx opp AKxx	3	Low to Jack
Jx opp AK9x	3	Low to Jack. If it loses, low to 9.
Jx opp AQ9x	3	Low to Jack. Whether it wins or loses, low to 9
KQ10 opp xxx	2	Low to queen. If it holds, low to 10 UNLESS you
		are SURE person behind KQ10 would NOT hold
		up with the Ace
Kxx opp Qxx	2	Try to figure out who has Ace and whether it
Kxxx opp Qxxx	3	can be doubleton. If it can be doubleton, play
11 -	a low card s	to that person you think has Ace
		has to play (Ace or low) as 2 nd person. When
	your King (or Queen) holds, play a low card
	<i>3</i>	from BOTH hands on the 2 nd round of the suit
QJx opp Axxx	3	LOW toward queen; then LOW toward Jack
Jxx opp AQ10x	4	LOW toward AQ10x
Jxxx opp AQxx	4	Low to Queen (Must find King doubleton onside)
TT	3.	Cash Ace first. Then low to queen OR low to jack
KJx opp xxx	1	Low to Jack. Then low to King.
AK10 opp xxx	3	Low to 10 (Odds 3 to 1 against you.)
A10x opp Qxx	2	Low to queen. Then low to 10.
A1098 opp Qxxx	3	Low to 10. Then run queen around.
A1098 opp Qxxxx	4	ACE. Then low to queen.
QJxx opp Kxx	3	LOW to queen. Low to Jack
AQ10x opp Kx	4	King, then finesse 10.
AQ10x opp Kxx	4	Play for the drop (King/Ace/Queen)
A1098x opp KJxx	4	Play one high honor. Then finesse.
KJx opp A108xx	5	Cash King. Then play Jack (for finesse)
AQJ109 opp xxxxx	5	Finesse for King
AQJ109 opp xxxxxx	6	Play for drop
AJ9xx opp Qxxxxx	5	Lead Queen & finesse (guard against K10x)
MJAXX OPP QXXXXX	3	Leau Queen & miesse (guaru agamsi Krox)

When you are forcing out a higher honor in order to promote lower cards, play your cards in such an order that you **retain a finessing position** if one player should show out of the suit. For example, with AK10xx opposite Qxx, play the Ace first, then Queen (so you can finesse 10 if necessary). If you hold Kxx opposite QJ9x, play (low to) the queen first, then the King, so you can finesse the 9 if needed. If you hold J108x opposite Qxx, play

(low to) the Jack and then the Queen, so you can finesse the 8 if necessary. There are SAFETY PLAYS to make with most of these combinations (at IMPS or slam contracts) when you **only need to** *insure* **a smaller number of tricks**. That is why **THE SAME combination is played DIFFERENT WAYS**—depending on how many tricks you need. The larger number of tricks would be matchpoint situations. General principles hold: leading low TOWARD honors (to avoid having a lower honor covered by a singleton or doubleton honor of opponents); whether you cash one higher honor before finessing for Queen depends on how many small cards you have with which to finesse. With xx opposite AKJ10, finesse immediately. With xxx, cash one high honor first, etc.