

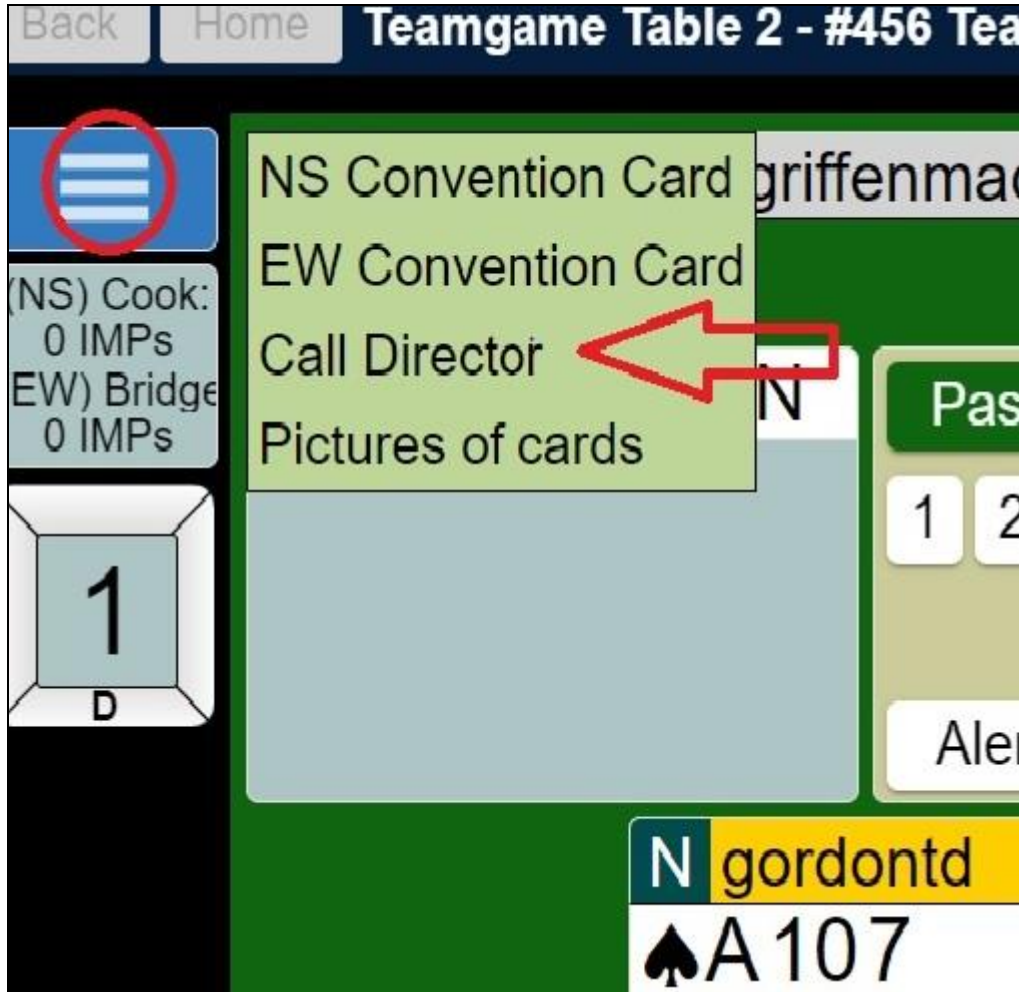
Alerting in EBU online games on BBO

The screenshot shows the BBO online bridge game interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with buttons for Back, Home, Log off, Options, BBO Now, My BBO, BB\$, and Help. The user's name 'gordontd' is visible in the top right corner. The main area displays the game board for Board 45, showing IMPs and the current deal. The players are renata240, cuba47, Aybey195, and gordontd. The current call is 2♣, with Pass, 1NT, and 3NT as options. The East player (E) is highlighted in yellow and has a call of 4. The East player's hand is shown as ♠A87, ♥1043, ♦KJ82, and ♣QJ6. The alert box is open, showing 'Alert' and 'Write alert here'. The bottom of the interface has a chat area with a message: 'What you wrote in the alert box will appear here when you make your call - it will only be seen by your opponents, not your partner. Write the alert BEFORE you make the call.' There are also buttons for Chat and Options.

Our online games use “self-alerting” – you alert your own calls, not your partner’s. You should alert any call that would be alerted or announced in an EBU offline game – so that includes NT opening ranges, transfers, Stayman and opening two-bids, as well as more obviously conventional calls.

You type the explanation of your call in the box as shown above, BEFORE you make the call, and when you select your call the message will automatically be sent to your opponents. Your partner does not see the alert, so you can never do any harm by alerting too much.

Calling the TD in EBU online games on BBO



In the desktop web version, click on the blue box with three white lines, as shown above, and then click on Call Director.



In the mobile version, click on the Table button, as shown above, and then click on Call Director.