

Defence Over Forcing Pass

Forcing Pass Openings:

Defence:

Pass

(normal overall values) ASPRO: 1♣ = ♥ + another
1♦ = ♠ + minor
1♥ = Single suited ♥
1♠ = Single suited ♠

1NT = 15 - 17 HCPs
2♣ = Weak, single suited ♣
2♦ = Weak 2 in major
2♥/♠ = weak 2 suiters as previously described.
2NT = strong 2 suiter (any two suits)

1♣ (shows ♥)

1♥ = Take out with ♠, 11 - 15 HCPs
1NT = 13 - 15 HCPs, flat, not necessarily a ♥ stopper
X = 16+ HCPs
2♥ = 6 - 11 HCPs, ♠ + ♦
2NT = 6 - 11 HCPs, ♦ + ♣
3♣ = Pre-emptive

1♦ (shows ♠)

1♠ = 11 - 15 HCPs, Take out with ♥
1NT = 13 - 15 HCPs, flat, not necessarily a ♠ stopper
X = 16+ HCPs
2♠ = 6 - 11 HCPs, ♥ + ♦
2NT = 6 - 11 HCPs, ♦ + ♣
3♣ = Pre-emptive

1♥ (one or both minors)

X = 16+ HCPs
1NT = 13 - 15 HCPs, flat
2♣ = 11 - 15 HCPs, take out of ♣
2♦ = 11 - 15 HCPs, take out of ♦
2♥/♠ = natural

1♠ (fert)

X = 16+ HCPs
1NT = 12 - 14, flat
2♣/♦/♥/♠ = Natural, unbalanced, 11 - 15 HCPs

RESPONSES:

X

Next step up = negative (< 8 HCPs)
1NT = minimum positive, no 5 card suit.
All suit bids show 5+ cards.

1NT

Stayman, transfers. Transfer to their suit is a cover ask.

Over interference:

X = 8+ HCPs
P = less than 8 HCPs

2NT (over pass)

Bids are forcing to 4 level.

NEGATIVE DOUBLES TO 2♠

RESPONSES OVER 2 LEVEL BIDS FOLLOW THE FORMAT PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED.