

BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors limit forcing Other: weak

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Jump shifts after minor opening m-M: wk | m-om:mixed raise of m

Jump shifts after major opening natural inv or various M raises

Responses to strong 2 suit opening 2♥: waiting | 2♠: less than ~K

Responses to 2NT opening 3♣: Muppet | 3R: xfer to M | 3♠: minors | 4m: xfer to M

PLAY CONVENTIONS

'NT' Versus Notrump 'S' Versus Suit = Both

Sequence leads: Overlead all All except AK x (x)

Underlead Other: Ace: reverse count | King: reverse attitude

Four or more with an honour 4th highest attitude NT

3rd/5th S Other: (NT: reverse attitude)

From 4 small 2nd highest Other:

From 3 cards (no honour) top NT middle NT bottom S

Signal on partner's lead: high encourage low encourage

Other: except where count/suit-preference is given

Signal on declarer's lead reverse count | NT: at trick 2, usu. rev Smith echo

Discards McKenney high encourage low encourage

odd/even Other: reverse original count after first discard

Count natural reverse original

CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood RKCB Other: 1430 (4-suit Kickback)

4♣ Gerber when?

Other Conventions

* 2♣ could begin a single-suited slam try

* Transfers might be only 4 if about to show

canape on oM/om

Fit-showing jumps in competition

Transfers after opp take-out Xs at 1-level



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STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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Basic System: 2/1, with short club Brown Sticker

Classification: Green Blue Red Yellow



OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning Canape

1♣ ~11+, 2+♣ 1♦ ~11+, 4+♦ 1♥ ~11+, 5+♥ 1♠ ~11+, 5+♠

1 NT 15-17 (can be semi-bal) may contain 5 card major

2♣ Stayman: simple extended Other: Keri (forces 2♦)

Transfers 2♦ to ♥ (4*)5+ 2♥ to ♠ (4*)5+ 2♠ range probe*

2 NT to 3♣ (4*)5+ Other: * see reverse

2♣ 18-19, (semi)balanced

2♦ Any GF (including 23+ bal.)

2♥ weak, 4+♥ 4+♠

2♠ weak, (5)6♠

2 NT 20-22, (semi)balanced

3 NT ~9-13, 6+♥/5♠

PRE-ALERTS: CALLS THAT MAY HAVE UNEXPECTED MEANING/S OR REQUIRE SPECIAL DEFENCE

Some low-level transfers in competition

(e.g. 1M-(X)-?)

T1 pauses may be unrelated to current play

COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through lots Responsive doubles through some

Jump overcalls weak Unusual NT 5-5 lowest unbid suits, weak or strong

1NT overcall (immediate) ~15-18 (re-opening) ~11-14 up to ~11-16

Immed cue of minor 5/5, majors, weak or strong

Immed cue of major 5/5, other major and unspecified minor, weak or strong

Over opponent's 1NT (weak) X: values | 2♣: majors | 2♦: constructive M overcall

Over opponent's 1NT (strong) X: values | 2♣: majors | 2♦: constructive M overcall

Over weak twos X for takeout, Lebensohl, leaping Michaels

Over opening threes X for takeout, non-leaping Michaels

RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

| Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning | | | | |
|---|-------|---|---------|---------------------------------|
| 1♣ | 1♦ | 4+♦ | 2NT | natural |
| | 1♥/♠ | 4+♥/♠ | 3♣ | weak, ♣ |
| | 1NT | natural | 3♦ | [strong |
| | 2♣ | 10+, ♣ | 3♥ | [jump |
| | 2♦ | ~7-9, ♣ | 3♠ | [shifts |
| | 2♥ | weak, 6♥ | 3NT | min GF bal |
| | 2♠ | weak, 6♠ | 4 bids | 4♣: weak (6)7♣ 4♦: RKCB |
| 1♦ | 1♥/♠ | ~4+, 4+♥/♠ | 3♣ | ~7-9, ♦ |
| | 1NT | ~5+, <4M | 3♦ | weak, ♦ |
| | 2♣ | inv+, ♣ | 3♥ | [splinters agreeing |
| | 2♦ | ~10+, ♦ | 3♠ | [diamonds |
| | 2♥ | weak, 6♥ | 3NT | min GF bal |
| | 2♠ | weak, 6♠ | 4♦ | weak raise (usu. 6♦) |
| | 2NT | natural | 4 Other | 4♣: splinter 4♥: RKCB |
| 1♥/♠ | 1NT | semi-forcing | 3♣ | natural inv |
| | 2♣ | 1♥-2♣: 3-way (see notes) | 3♦ | natural inv |
| | 2♦ | natural GF | 3♥/♠ | 1M-3M: weak raise see notes |
| | 2♥/♠ | weak raise | 3NT | see notes |
| | 2NT | GF 4M (no spl. unless v. strong) | 4♣/♦ | see notes |
| 2♣ | 2♦ | transfer to 2♥ | 2♥/♠ | transfer to 2♠ puppet to 2NT |
| | other | 2NT: inv+, ♣ 3♣: puppet to 3♦ 3♦, 3♥, 3♠: GF, 4-card unbid major(s) | | |
| 2♦ | 2♥ | Waiting, ~K+ | 3♣/♦ | |
| | 2♠ | Waiting, <K | 3♥/♠ | |
| | 2NT | | 3NT | |
| 2♥/♠ | 2NT | forcing inquiry | 3NT | to play |
| | 3♣/♦ | * constructive NF | 4♣/♦ | * |
| | 3♥/♠ | * natural F/raise | 4♥/♠ | * raise |
| 2NT | 3♣ | Muppet stayman | 4♣ | 6+♥, no OR strong slam interest |
| | 3♦ | transfer to ♥ (3♥: 3♥, 3NT: 2♥) | 4♦ | 6+♠, no OR strong slam interest |
| | 3♥ | transfer to ♠ (3♠: 3♠, 3NT: 2♠) | 4♥ | to play |
| | 3♠ | both m (slammish or at least 5-5) | 4♠ | to play |
| | 3NT | to play | other | |

CONVENTIONS

Additional responses to 1NT

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| 3♣/3♦ | transfer splinter, i.e. shortage in the next suit (denies 5cM) |
| 3♥/3♠ | transfer splinter, i.e. shortage in the next suit (denies 5cM) |
| 4♣ | transfer to hearts, no OR strong slam interest |
| 4♦ | transfer to spades, no OR strong slam interest |
| 4♥ | to play |
| 4♠ | to play |

Unusual NT: minors other suits lower 2 unbid suits

other

Other slam bidding Cue Bids Asking Bids

4th Suit Forcing One round Game force

NT Checkback Priorities puppet (2♣ forces 2♦) and transfers

Defence to 3NT opening

Defence to opening Two's: Multi 2♦ 2♥: ~15-18 balanced | 2♣/2NT: good ♣/♦ overcall

3♣/♦: bad ♣/♦ overcall | X: 19+ OR M overcall

RCO style 2-s XXX (first X: values | second X: takeout | third X: penalty)

Other 2-s XXX (first X: values | second X: takeout | third X: penalty)

Defence to strong ♣ X = majors, 1NT = minors

Lebensohl Over NT interference

Other uses (2M) X (P) and other analogous situations

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ X

4♥ X 4♠ X/4NT (4NT not willing to defend)

OTHER NOTES

1♥-2♣ and 1♠-2♣: [inv+, 3♥/♠] OR [GF, bal] OR [GF, 5+♣]

1M-3M+1 = min GF 4M, unspecified splinter; 1M-3M+2/3/4 = mild extras GF 4M, splinter

* Over 2♣, as written; over 2♥ weak both M, 3m = non-constructive NF, 4m = sets resp. M