BASIC RESPONSES	AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION				
Jump raises - minors limit □ forcing □ Other: not applicable	INCORPORATED ©				
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Jump shifts after minor opening not applicable					
Jump shifts after major opening not applicable	Names: Michael Bausor Rhys Cooper ABF Nos: 726222 726257				
Responses to strong 2 suit opening not applicable					
Responses to 2NT opening 3♣ strong others play or correct	Basic System: Forcing Pass with relays Classification: Green Blue Red Yellow				
PLAY CONVENTIONS	OPENING BIDS				
'NT' Versus Notrump 'S' Versus Suit = Both	Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning Canape				
Sequence leads: Overlead all All except AK x (x)	1♣ 4+ ♥ 8-12 pts 1♦ 4+♠8-12 pts<4♥ 1♥ 0-7 pts any shape 1♠ flat8-12pts<4♥♠				
Underlead Other:	1 NT 5+/4+ minors 8-12 pts may contain 5 card major				
Four or more with an honour 4th highest attitude	2♠ Stayman: simple ☐ extended ☐ Other: invitational+ relay				
3rd/5th Other:	Transfers 2♦ N/A 2♥ N/A 2♠ N/A				
From 4 small 2nd highest Other: 3rd/5th	2 NT N/A Other:				
From 3 cards (no honour) top middle bottom	2♠ 6+ 8-12 pts				
Signal on partner's lead: high encourage low encourage	2♦ 6+ 8-12 pts				
Other: Natural count Mckenny overtones	2♥ 5+/5+ colour 9-12pts				
Signal on declarer's lead Natural count Mckenny overtones	2♠ 5+/5+ rank 9-12pts				
Discards McKenney high encourage low encourage	2 NT 5+/5+ shape 9-12pts				
odd/even Other: Natural count Mckenny overtones	3 NT specific ace ask				
Count natural reverse	PRE-ALERTS: CALLS THAT MAY HAVE UNEXPECTED				
CONVENTIONS	MEANING/S OR REQUIRE SPECIAL DEFENCE				
4NT: Blackwood RKCB Other:	jump bids in response to 1♥ are preemptive raises				
4♠ Gerber □ when?	preemptive in any suit or take out of the suit non forcing change of suit				
Other Conventions	2♥-2NT are 5+/5+ without anchor suit				
Optional minor keycard	COMPETITIVE BIDDING				
Exclusion keycard	Negative doubles through 4♠ Responsive doubles through 4♠				
Grand Slam force	Jump overcalls weak Unusual NT 2 lowest suits				
Denial cue bidding	1NT overcall (immediate) 15-18 pts (re-opening) 15-18 pts				
	Immed cue of minor 5+/5+ majors weak or strong				
	Immed cue of major 5+/5+ other major and a minor weak or strong				
©ABF Marketing PO Box 397	Over opponent's 1NT (weak)				
Fyshwick ACT 2609	Over opponent's 1NT (strong) DONT				
Tel: 02 6239 2265 FAX: 02 6239 1816	Over weak twos X=take out				
Copyright © BCC 6.3.20.1	Over opening threes X=take out				



		RESPONSES TO 0	PENI	NG BIDS			
	Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning						
1 ♣	1•	invitational relay	2NT	constructive ♥ raise			
	1 ♥ /♠	1♥GF relay 1♠ nat non forcing		6+ weak			
	1NT	natural 6-12 pts <4♠	3♦	6+ weak			
	2♣	5+ ♣ 6-12 pts	3♥	preemptive			
	2♦	5+♦ 6-12 pts	3♠	preemptive			
	2♥	3-4(5) raise 6-12 pts	3NT	play			
	2♠	6+ weak	ak 4 bids preemptiv				
1•	1 ♥ /♠	1♥ invit relay 1♠ GF relay	3♣	6+ weak			
	1NT	natural 6-12 pts	3♦	6+ weak			
	2♣	5+ ♠ 6-12 pts		6+ weak			
	2♦	5+ ♦ 6-12 pts	3♠	preemptive			
	2♥	5+ ♥ 6-12 pts	3NT play				
	2♠	3-4(5) raise 6-12 pts	4♦	preemptive			
	2NT	constructive ♠ raise	4 Other	preemptive			
1 ♥ /♠	1NT	(1♥) 13-18 flat (1♠) Inv+ relay	3♠	(1♥)see pre alert(1♠) 0-12 5+♠			
	2♣	(1♥) 10-18 5+♠ (1♠) 0-12 3+♠	3♦	(1♥)see pre alert(1♠) 0-12 5+♦			
	2♦	(1♥) 10-18 5+♦ (1♠) 0-12 5+♦	3 ♥/ ♠	(1♥)see pre alert(1♠) 0-12 6+			
	2♥/♠	(1♥) 10-18 5+ (1♠) 0-12 5+	3NT	to play			
	2NT	(1♥)5+/5+without♠ (1♠)bid best minor	4♣/♦	preemptive			
2♣	2•	invitational+ relay	2 ♥ /♠	natural non forcing			
	other						
2•	2♥	Invitational+ relay	3♣/♦	3♣ 6+ ♣ 6-12 pts 3♦preemptive			
	2♠	natural non forcing	3 ♥/ ♠	3♥ 10-14 6+♥ 3♠ preempt			
	2NT	invitational	3NT	to play			
2 ♥ /♠	2NT	strong enquiry	3NT	play			
	3♣/♦	play or correct	4♣/♦	play or correct			
	3 ♥/ ♠	play or correct	4 ♥ /♠	play or correct			
2NT	3♣	strong enquiry	4 ♣	play or correct			
	3♦	play or correct	4♦	play or correct			
	3♥	play or correct	4♥	play or correct			
	3♠	play or correct	4♠	play or correct			
	3NT	play	other				

		CONVENTIONS						
Additional respons	ses to 1NT							
3♣/3♦	preemptive							
3 ♥ /3♠	preemptive							
4♣	preemptive							
4♦	preemptive							
4♥	to play							
4♠	to play							
Unusual NT:	mi	inors \square other suits \square lower 2 unbid suits	\boxtimes					
other								
Other slam bidding]	Cue Bids Asking Bids	_					
4th Suit Forcing		One round Game force						
NT Checkback		Priorities						
Defence to 3NT op	-							
Defence to opening	g Two's:	Multi 2♦ X = values (16+)						
RCO style 2	2-s							
011 0								
Other 2-s		If an anchor suit exists X = takeout (maybe be off shape)						
Defence to strong ♣ Lebensohl		von aggressive evercelle						
		very aggressive overcalls						
		1NT-2♦ colour rank shape Over NT interference						
Other uses	(MP3	ak 2)-X-(P)-2NT						
Take out of 4 level		4♣/4♦ X						
		X 4♠ X						
OTHER NOTES								

Suggested Defense to Forcing Pass

Over Pass

Open normally apart from 1NT if weak change to strong

Over 1 ♣ or ♦

- X is 16+ with step bid as 0-7 points others GF
- non jump overcalls are constructive
- Jumps are weak
- 2 of the suit shown is Michaels
- 1 NT is strong

Over 1♥

- X is 16+ with step bid as 0-7 points others GF
- non jump overcalls are opening bid strength
- 1NT is weak
- Jumps are intermediate

Over 1♠

- X is 16+ with step bid as 0-7 points others GF
- non jump overcalls are opening bid strength
- 1NT is weak
- Jumps are weak

Over 1NT

- X is 16+ with step bid as 0-7 points others GF
- 2♣ take out for the majors with better ♥
- 2♦ take out for the majors with better ♠
- 2♥♠ natural with opening bid strength
- 2NT weak with both majors

Over 2♣ or ♦

• Use your normal methods over weak 2's

Over 2♥ or ♠

- X is 16+ with step bid as 0-7 points others GF
- non jump overcalls are opening bid strength

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Note: For the purposes of these notes, opener is defined as the first player to act, even if that action was to pass.

Uncontested

Openings

- Pass = any 13+ (some weaker hands upgraded)
- 1C = 4+H, 8-12, may have a longer suit
- 1D = 4+S, 8-12, denies as many as 4 hearts, may have a longer minor
- 1H = 0-7 any shape
- 1S = balanced (4333, 4432 or 5332 on a minor), no 4+ card major, 8-12
- 1NT = 5+4+ in the minors (either way), no 4+ card major, 8-12
- 2C = 6+C, no 4+ card major, 8-12
- 2D = 6+D, no 4+ card major, 8-12
- 2H/2S/2NT = 5+/5+ in 2 suits of the same colour/rank/shape, 8-12. Shows a constructive 5/5 (can also open 1c, 1d or 1nt with 5+/5+ hands). Typically will be in the 10-12 range with the larger majority of HCPs in the long suits
- 3c+ = pre-empt

Responses to strong pass

- 1C = 0-7 any shape
- 1D = any GF, symmetric relay initiated, responder is master
- 1H = 4+H, 8-10, unbalanced, may have a longer suit
- 1S = 4+S, 8-10, unbalanced, denies as many as 4 hearts, may have a longer minor
- 1NT = Flat (4333, 4432), 8-10
- 2C = single suited clubs, 8-10
- 2D = single suited diamonds or 5+D/4C, no 4+ card major 8-10
- 2H = 5+C/4D, no 4+ card major, 8-10
- 2S = 5+/5+ in the minors

See system card for responses to openings other than pass in uncontested auctions

In Competition

General Rules

- In GF situations, we play relay on if we can go to no worse than relay+3 on the base symmetric relay (including pass and X/XX where they are available)
- If relay is on, pass is step 1, X/XX is step 2, steps gained where possible
- In GF situations, pass by master is a relay (X by responder is step 1) and X by master is penalties
- In non-GF situations, pass by the master is NF, X by the master is a relay. If master is in passout seat, X is the relay

• New suits are generally natural and forcing if relay is off, X is penalties if we're in a game forcing auction, take-out if we're not

Over Pass

- System on over interference below 1NT (with pass = step 1, X = step 2). Relay+1 over interference with 1H, relay+2 over interference with 1S, off if opponents interfere with 1NT or higher
- If opponents interfere with 1C, pass = 0-4, X = 4-7 and normal relay on (steps gained where possible)
- If opponents interfere with 1NT or greater, X = t/o (or values/penalty interest if the interference is not natural), new suits are natural and forcing for one round

Over 1C

- If opponents X, XX = invitational, 1D = GF (1 step gained) and 1H is to play. 1S/2D are just running from 1C (does not show any values), but 2C shows 6-12 with a decent suit
- If opponents interfere with 1D, X = invitational (relay initiated), 1H = GF (relay initiated)
- If opponents interfere with 1H, X = GF (relay initiated), 2NT = game try in hearts, new suits natural NF
- If opponents interfere with 1S or higher, 2NT = invitational+ with heart support, X = t/o, new suits natural and forcing for one round, 2 hearts is competitive and jumps in hearts are preemptive

Over 1D

- If opponents X, XX = invitational and 1H = GF (1 step gained) and 1S is to play. 2C/2H are just running from 1D (does not show any values), but 2D shows 6-12 with a decent suit
- If opponents interfere with 1H, X = invitational (relay initiated), 1S = GF (relay initiated)
- If opponents interfere with 1S, X = GF (relay initiated), 2NT = game try in spades, new suits natural NF
- If opponents interfere with 1NT or higher, 2NT = invitational+ with spade support, X = t/o, new suits natural and forcing for one round, 2 spades is competitive and jumps in spades are preemptive

Over 1H

- Suits at the 3 level (2S included if opponents X 1H) show either a pre-empt in any suit or takeout of the suit bid. Opener MUST PASS any of these bids. If responder has the takeout option, they will XX if opponents X. If vulnerable, it is unusual (but not unheard of) to do this with any option but a pre-empt in the suit bid, but system is the same.
- If opponents X:
 - Pass = tolerance for hearts (2+), not compulsory (can bid a suit when holding hearts)
 - Suits are to play (running from 1H). 1S frequently 4 cards, 2x almost always 5 cards
 - 1NT = pick a minor
 - XX = 18+, relay initiated
 - 2H = good overcall

• If opponents bid over 1H, suits are natural and NF, X = t/o or very strong (typically 19+)

Over 1S

- If opponents X
 - XX = invitational+ (relay initiated)
 - Pass = suggestion to play. Opener may rip with doubleton spade and a 5 card minor but will usually pass
 - o 1NT = pick a minor
 - 2C/2D = to play (generally 4+ cards)
 - 2H/2S = to play (5+ cards)
 - o 2NT = pick a minor
 - 3C+ = pre-empt (generally pre-empts in minors will be more aggressive since opener has shown 7 or 8 cards in the minors)
- If opponents bid, suits are competitive (generally majors will be better suits). X = PENALTIES. 2NT = pick a minor

Over 1NT

- If opponents X pass = pick a minor, XX = strong (relay initiated), 2x = to play, 2NT/4NT is pick a minor. Minors at any level are pre-empts, but can be as short as 4 cards and very aggressive
- If opponents bid, X = PENALTIES, 2NT = natural invitational

Over 2C/2D

- If opponents interfere, new suits are natural and forcing, X = PENALTIES
- If opponents interfere with 2D over 2C or 2H over 2D, X = strong (relay initiated), but new suits are still natural and forcing

Over 2H

- 2NT = strong enquiry
 - 3C = Clubs and Spades
 - 3D = hearts and diamonds

Over 2S

- 2NT = strong enquiry
 - 3C = both minors
 - 3D = both majors

Over 2NT

- 3C = strong enquiry
 - o 3D = diamonds and spades
 - o 3H = clubs and hearts