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STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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Basic System: ACOL

Classification: Green ☑ Blue ☐ Red ☐ Yellow ☐

BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors	limit ☑	forcing ☐	Other:
Jump raises - majors	limit ☐	forcing ☐	Other: 4/5pts, 5/4cd support for H/S
Jump shifts after minor opening	weak, 4-7, 6+suit (as is 1♥ :2♠)		
Jump shifts after major opening	Raise - 5/4 cds for ♥ / ♠		
Responses to strong 2 suit opening	Next suit negative		
Responses to 2NT opening	3♣ /3♦ non-forcing; 3♥ /3♠ forcing		

PLAY CONVENTIONS

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

Sequence leads: Overlead all ☐ All except AK x (x) ☐ Underlead ☐ Other: Journalist - overlead except from interior sequence

Four or more with an honour: 4th highest ☑ attitude ☐ 3rd/5th ☐ Other:

From 4 small: 2nd highest ☑ Other:

From 3 cards (no honour): top ☐ middle ☑ bottom ☐

Signal on partner's lead: high encourage ☐ low encourage ☑

Other: Wenceslas if singleton in dummy

Signal on declarer's lead

Discards: McKenney ☐ high encourage ☐ low encourage ☑ odd/even ☐ Other:

Count: natural ☐ reverse ☑

CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood ☐ RKCB ☑ Other: 14/30

4♣ Gerber ☐ when? Minor Wood when a minor is agreed

Other Conventions

Swine	
Crowhurst	
DOPE	
Invitational Cues	

OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning — Canape ☐

1♣ 3, 11-23 pts | 1♦ 4, 11-23 pts | 1♥ 4, 11-23 pts | 1♠ 5, 11-23 pts

1 NT 11-14 — may contain 5 card major ☑

2♣ Stayman: simple ☐ extended ☐ Other: Lavings

Transfers 2♦ Hearts | 2♥ Spades | 2♠ Clubs

2 NT Diamonds Other:

2♣	21-22 bal/25-26 bal or Game Force
2♦	23-24 bal/27-28 bal or 6-10 6+ major
2♥	6-10, 5+ suit, 5+ minor
2♠	6-10, 5+ suit, 5+ minor
2 NT	6-10, 5+/5+ minors
3 NT	Strong pre-empt in a major

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

Bergen raises over 1 Major opening	
Weak jump shift response at the 2-level	

COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through 3♠ Responsive doubles through 3♠

Jump overcalls: Intermediate Unusual NT 2 suiter not covered by Michaels

1NT overcall (immediate) 15-18 (re-opening) 11-14 (FOC)

Immed cue of minor	other minor + a major
Immed cue of major	other major + a minor
Over opponent's 1NT (weak)	x=pen;2♣ = ♥+another;2♦ =♠+a minor;2NT=5/5minors
Over opponent's 1NT (strong)	x=pen;2♣ = ♥+another;2♦ =♠+a minor;2NT=5/5minors
Over weak twos	X + lebensohl
Over opening threes	X

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RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning

1♣	1♦	5+ pts, 4 cds (not equal major)	2NT	11-12 bal
	1♥/♠	5+ pts, 4 cds	3♣	8 -9 pts, 5+♣
	1NT	5-10 pts (only suit ♣)	3♦	8 -11 pts, 6+♣, splinter
	2♣	3-7pts, 4+ ♣	3♥	8 -11 pts, 6+♣, splinter
	2♦	4 - 7 pts, 6+ cd suit	3♠	8 -11 pts, 6+♣, splinter
	2♥	4 - 7 pts, 6+ cd suit	3NT	13-15 bal
	2♠	4 - 7 pts, 6+ cd suit	4 bids	

1♦	1♥/♠	5+ pts, 4 cds	3♣	10-11, 6+ ♣, 3♦
	1NT	5 -10pts, no 4 cd major	3♦	8 -9 pts, 4+♦
	2♣	9+ pts, 4+ ♣	3♥	8 -11 pts, 5+♦ , splinter
	2♦	3-7pts, 4+ ♦	3♠	8 -11 pts, 5+♦ , splinter
	2♥	4 - 7 pts, 6+ cd suit	3NT	13-15 bal
	2♠	4 - 7 pts, 6+ cd suit	4♦	
	2NT	11-12 bal	4 Other	

1♥/♠	1NT	5 - 9 pts	3♣	8 -11pts 5+/4+ ♥ /♠
	2♣	9+ pts, 4+ ♣	3♦	6 - 7pts 5+/4+ ♥ /♠
	2♦	9+ pts, 4+ ♦	3♥/♠	4 - 5pts 5+/4+ ♥ /♠
	2♥/♠	5-9 4/3 cd support	3NT	13-15 4+/3+ ♥ /♠
	2NT	10-11 4/3 ♥ /♠ or 16+ 4+/3+ ♥ /♠	4♣/♦	8-11 4+ support, singleton also 1♥/3♠

2♣	2♦	Negative or waiting	2♥/♠	Also 3♣ /3♦ 5+ suit 2/3 top honours
	other	2NT: 4441 2 key cards (A,K,Q)		

2♦	2♥	correctable	3♣/♦	Invitational - shows suit
	2♠	correctable	3♥/♠	correctable
	2NT	Enquiry	3NT	To play

2♥/♠	2NT	Enquiry	3NT	To play
	3♣/♦	correctable	4♣/♦	
	3♥/♠	Non-forcing	4♥/♠	To play

2NT	3♣	To play	4♣	Invitational
	3♦	To play	4♦	Invitational
	3♥	Natural, forcing	4♥	To play
	3♠	Natural, forcing	4♠	To play
	3NT	To play	other	

CONVENTIONS

Additional responses to 1NT

3♣/3♦	6 card suit, 2/3 top honours, invitational
3♥/3♠	6 card suit, 2/3 top honours, invitational
4♣	Natural, slam interest
4♦	Natural, slam interest
4♥	To play
4♠	To play

Unusual NT: minors ☐ other suits ☐ lower 2 unbid suits ☐

other Other rank Michaels

Other slam bidding Cue Bids ☑ Asking Bids ☐

4th Suit Forcing One round ☐ Game force ☑

NT Checkback ☑ Priorities 15-16pts at 2 level; 17-18 pts at 3 level; features up

Defence to 3NT opening x = values

Defence to opening Two's: Multi 2♦ x - values (16+); x = takeout of ♥

RCO style 2-s 2NT - 16-19 with Puppet Stayman
X - 16+ with Lebensohl

Other 2-s

Defence to strong ♣ X = 4+/4+ minors; 1♦ = 4+/4+ majors; 1NT = 4+ M/5+ m
2♥, 2♠ , 3♣ , 3♦ : wk jump o'calls 2NT: 5+/5+ defensive

Lebensohl Over NT interference ☑

Other uses After T/O Xof two bids

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ X = values
4♥ X = values 4♠ X = values 4NT = takeout

OTHER NOTES

Defence to strong ♣ also used over opponent's strong 2♣ opening

Puppet Stayman & transfers over strong 2NT rebid

Baron over strong 3NT rebid