| OTHER OPENING BIDS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | HCP | see <br> Note | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Min } \\ & \text { length } \end{aligned}$ | CONVENTIONAL MEANING | SPECIAL RESPONSES | Notes |
| 1* | 10-19 | $\square$ | 4 | For opener's NT rebids - note 1 | \}Inverted Minors <br> \}2NT Baron 16+ Splinter bids - see Other Conventions |  |
| 1 | 10-19 | $\square$ | 4 |  |  |  |
| $1 \vee$ | 10-19 | $\square$ | 4 |  |  |  |
| $1 \wedge$ | 10-19 | $\square$ | 4 |  | \}2NT Jackoby | (9) |
| 3 bids | <10 | $\square$ | 7 | Pre-emptive | New suit NF |  |
| 4 bids | <10 | $\square$ | 7 | Pre-emptive |  |  |
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| DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OPPONENTS OPEN A NATURAL ONE OF A SUI |  |  |  | CONVENTIONAL MEANING | SPECIAL RESPONSES | Notes |
| Simple | vercall | Natural (usually $5+$ ) |  |  | UCB \& Fit Jumps |  |
| Jump ov | ercall | Usually 6 card suit NV weak; V intermediate |  |  |  | 2 |
| Cue bid |  | Michaels, 2-suited hand |  |  | 5 |  |
| 1NT | Direct: <br> Protective | $\begin{array}{l\|l} \hline & 15-17 \\ e & 11-14 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | As for 1NT opening |  |  |
|  | Direct: <br> Protective | Lowest two unbid suits 20-22 balanced |  |  | Limit bids As 2NT opener | 5 |
| OPPON | NTS OPEN <br> WITH | DEFENSIVE METHODS |  |  | SPECIAL RESPONSES | Notes |
| Strong |  | Truscott |  |  |  |  |
| Short 10 | /1* | Natural |  |  |  |  |
| Weak 1 |  | Double = penalties; 2\% - clubs + 2 others, 2d majors |  |  |  | 3 |
| Strong |  | As above |  |  | 3 |  |
| Weak 2 |  | X=T/O, 2NT = 17-19, 3NT=20+ Leaping Michaels |  |  |  |
| Weak 3 |  | Double = take out; Non-leaping Michaels |  |  |  |  |
| 4 bids |  | Over min $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$, Over maj $\mathrm{X}=$ Pen, 4NT=T/O |  |  |  |  |
| Multi 2 |  | $\mathrm{X}=13-16$ bal or v strong; 2NT $=17-19$ bal |  |  |  |  |
| SLAM CONVENTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Name |  |  | Meaning of Responses Action over interference |  |  |  |
| RKCB 4NT* |  |  | 1 step $=0 / 3 ; 2$ steps $=1 / 4$ Key Cards |  |  |  |
| MSRKCB 4C/D* |  | \} | 3 steps = 2 no trump Q; 4 steps $=2$ with trump Q |  |  |  |
|  |  | $5^{*}$ asks for specific Ks, 6tr suit $=0,6$ any $=$ K or other 2 |  |  |  |
| 5NT = Grand Slam Force |  |  | $6 *=0 ; 6 *=1 ; 6 v=2$ of top 3 honours, <br> 7 of trump suit = 3 |  |  |  |


| COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS |  |  |  |  |
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| Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents |  |  |  |  |
| Level to which negative doubles apply |  |  | 3 n |  |
| Special meaning of bids |  |  | Raise = pre-empt, UCB = good raise |  |
| Exceptions / other agreements |  |  | Jump shift = weak 2-7 \& 6+ cd suit |  |
| Agreements after opponents double for takeout |  |  |  |  |
| Redouble | 9+ HCP | New suit | Non-forcing | Jump in new suit weak 2-7 \& 6+ Cd suit |
| Jump | Pre-emptive | 2NT | Good raise to 3 |  |
| Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles |  |  |  |  |
| 7 Helmic over 1 nt (dble). Redble = single suit, forces 2* for pass or correct |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| OTHER CONVENTIONS |  |  |  |  |
| Fourth Suit Forcing: A bid in the fourth suit is artificial, showing no particular |  |  |  |  |
| holding in that suit but requesting partner to describe his/her hand further. |  |  |  |  |
| After $1 \boldsymbol{\sim}-1 *-1 \varphi, 1 \wedge$ is natural and $2 \wedge$ is 'fourth suit forcing'. |  |  |  |  |
| Long suit trial bids: Checkback Stayman |  |  |  |  |
| Splinter Bids Response of $3 \uparrow / 4 * / 4 *$ to $1 \vee$ opening or $4 * / 4 * / 4 \vee$ to $1 \uparrow$ opening |  |  |  |  |
| shows a raise to 4v/4^ with $4+$ trump support and singleton or void in bid suit |  |  |  |  |
| Crowhurst Over 1NT rebid, 2\% asks for description |  |  |  |  |
| Leaping \& Non Leaping Michaels Over weak 2 or 3 shows at least $5 / 5$ in bid suit \& |  |  |  |  |
| the other Major/minor and is game forcing. |  |  |  |  |
| SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS |  |  |  |  |
| (Please cross-reference where appropriate to the relevant part of card, and continue on back if needed). <br> 1 NT rebids: After 1 level response $1 N T=12-16 ; 2 N T=17-18 ; 3 N T=$ long suit |  |  |  |  |
| 2 After Weak $2 v / \wedge$ 2NT shows game interest. $3 *=$ low points and weak trumps |  |  |  |  |
| $3 *=$ low points and strong trumps, $3 v=$ high points and weak trumps $3 \uparrow$ strong and |  |  |  |  |
| ,strong: $3 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{K}, \mathrm{Q}$ of the trump suit. |  |  |  |  |
| After a Weak Two new suit at the 2 level is natural and invitational. New suit at the |  |  |  |  |
| 3 level is natural and forcing. A raise of the major is pre-emptive. |  |  |  |  |
| 3 Defence to 1NT - Cansino 2d shows $5+-4+$ in majors, 2NT other 2-suiter. |  |  |  |  |
| 4 2NT - 3 A Minor suit slam try: 3NT denies 4-card minor; 4\%/ $/=4+$ card suit |  |  |  |  |
| $4 v / n=$ both minors and $1^{\text {st }}$ round control in bid suit |  |  |  |  |
| 52 suited overcalls 1 m 2 m shows $5+-5+$ in S \& another; 1 M 2 M shows $5+-5+$ in |  |  |  |  |
| Other major and a minor. 1any - 2NT shows $5+-5+$ in two lowest unbid suits. |  |  |  |  |



GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS


