

CUEBIDS: ACBL rules say that most Cuebids are not alertable. However, any cuebid which conveys a very unusual or unexpected meaning still requires an Alert. For example, I am playing a variety of Michaels called Top and Another. No problem over a major opening. Two of that major by the opponent shows the other major and a minor(top and another).

However, One Diamond-Two Diamonds or One Club-Two Clubs shows Spades and Another, not necessarily Hearts. Since this is unexpected, my partner should Alert it. To protect yourself, you should ask what the cuebid means because there are other variations. These 2-suited bids may be 5-4 as well as 5-5 or better.

Happy Bridge.