

# Rebids by Responder

Chapter 6 - "Bidding in the 21st Century"

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# Agenda:

- Questions/Discussion
- Review Chapter 5 - Rebids by Opener
- Rebids by Responder - Chapter 6
- Bid, Play and Discuss hands

# Review: Opener's rebid

- 1st and 2nd seat - Opener's bid range - 13 - 21 points
- Opener bids 1 ♣ - Responder bids 1 ♠ - How many spades does Responder promise? What should Opener rebid?

♠ J 8 7 6  
♥ 8  
♦ A 9 3  
♣ A K Q 7 6

Medium hand - 3 ♠

♠ Q 7 4 2  
♥ 10 9  
♦ A K  
♣ K 8 7 4 2

Minimum hand - 2 ♠

## Raise the suit bid by responder

Points	Trumps	Raise to
13-15	4+ (rarely 3)	2 level
16-18	4+	3 level
19+	4+	4 level

# Review: Opener's rebid

- If **Opener** has **four or more good cards in an unbid suit**, consider bidding that suit as your rebid

Opener	Responder
1 ♥	1 NT
2 ♦	

Points	Suit Length	Rebid
13-18	4+	Cheapest bid in suit
19+	4+	Jump in suit

# Review: Opener's Rebids

- **Rebid your opening suit** - you should have 6 of that suit

Points	Suit Length	Rebid
13-15	6+ (rarely 5)	2 of your suit
16-18	6+	3 of your suit
19+	7+ (rarely 6)	4 of your suit

Example:

- Opener - 1 ♥
- Responder - 2 ♦
- Opener's rebid - 2 ♥ (usually promises 6 or more hearts & 13 to 15 points)

## Review: Opener's Rebids

- Bid 1 NT: .....if Responder bids 1 of a suit and you **cannot** support it

Points	Hand Pattern	Rebid
13-15	Balanced	1 NT
19-20	Balanced	2 NT

# Review: Opener's Rebids

- If Responder bids 1 NT....

Points	Hand Pattern	Rebid
13-15	Balanced or tame	Pass
16-18	Tame	2 NT
19+	Balanced or tame	3 NT

“Tame” - nearly balanced, or semi-balanced.

Examples:

5,4,2,2

5,4,3,1



# Responder's Rebids



# Responder's rebid

- **Purpose:**
  - **Place the contract ...**
  - Responder has a lot of information
    - Opener's first bid
    - Responder's first bid
    - Opener's second bid
    - And perhaps competitors' bids
  - Opener can further define the hand with 3rd bid, **if necessary**
- When Opener rebids (2nd bid), what size hand did Opener show you?
  - Minimum (or small) - 13 to 15 total points
  - Medium (or medium) - 16 to 18 total points
  - Maximum (or large) - 19 to 21 total points

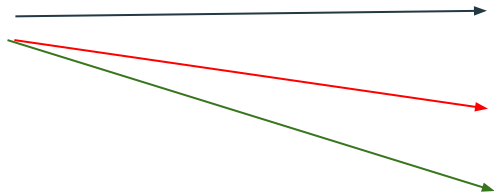
# How many points are in the combined 2 hands?

Opener's hand

- 13-15
- 16-18
- 19-21

Responder's hand

- 6-9
- 10-11
- 12+



# Responder strength categories

- Minimum or Small - 6 to 9 total points
- Medium - 10 or 11 total points
- Maximum or Large - 12 or more total points

***Responder now bids (rebids) based on the Opener's rebid.  
Was Opener's hand a Small, Medium or Large hand?***

**If Opener shows a minimum hand (13 to 15), there are 3 types of Responder bids**

- Part score with 6 to 9 points
- Invitational bid with 10 or 11 points
- Push for game with 12+ points - use a forcing bid or go to game if the suit is established

## Ex. Responder's rebid when Opener shows minimum

Bid sequence:

Opener	Responder
1 ♥	1 ♠
2 ♠	?

### Responder's hand

1. ♠ 9 8 7 6  
♥ A 5  
♦ Q 7 4 3 2  
♣ 9 3

Answer: Pass

2. ♠ Q 10 9 4 2  
♥ 9 8  
♦ A K 6  
♣ J 4 3

Answer: 3 ♠

3. ♠ Q J 7 4 2  
♥ K 3  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q J 3

Answer: 4 ♠

As Responder, think of the 3 "M's"

Minimum - 6 to 9

Medium - 10 or 11

Maximum - 12+

# Opener's rebid is a 2nd suit. How should Responder rebid?

## Suggestions for planning your Responder's rebid

- If Responder has a minimum/small hand (6 to 9 points)...
  - Pass
  - 1 NT
  - Bid an "old" suit (a suit already bid by the partnership) at the 2 level
- If Responder has a medium hand (10 to 11 points)...
  - Bid 2 NT or an "old" suit at the 3 level
- If Responder has a maximum/large hand (12+ points)...
  - Bid Golden game or bid a new suit

# Responder's rebid when Opener bids a 2nd suit

Bid sequence: →

Opener	Responder
1 ♣	1 ♥
1 ♠	?

As Responder, think of the 3 "M's"

Minimum - 6 to 9

Medium - 10 or 11

Maximum - 12+

Responder's hand

1. ♠ Q 3 2  
♥ A 10 9 4  
♦ Q J 6  
♣ 7 5 2

Answer: 1 NT

2. ♠ J 5 2  
♥ A Q 8 3  
♦ K J 6  
♣ 10 8 6

Answer: 2 NT

3. ♠ 10 8 3  
♥ K Q 9 4  
♦ A J 4  
♣ K Q 8

Answer: 3 NT

# Responder's rebid when Opener bids a 2nd suit

Bid sequence:

Opener	Responder
1 ♣	1 ♥
1 ♠	?

As Responder, think of the 3 "M's"

Minimum - 6 to 9

Medium - 10 or 11

Maximum - 12+

## Responder's hand

4. ♠ J 7  
♥ K J 10 8 6 3  
♦ 9 2  
♣ 7 5 2

Answer: 2 ♥

5. ♠ A 8  
♥ K Q 10 9 7 4  
♦ 8 6 2  
♣ 9 5

Answer: 3 ♥

6. ♠ K J 8 2  
♥ A K 8 3  
♦ 5 2  
♣ K 7 3

Answer: 4 ♠

# Responder's rebid when Opener bids a 2nd suit

Bid sequence:

Opener	Responder
1 ♣	1 ♥
1 ♠	?

As Responder, think of the 3 "M's"

Minimum - 6 to 9

Medium - 10 or 11

Maximum - 12+

Responder's hand

7. ♠ 6 2  
♥ Q J 7 5  
♦ 4 3  
♣ K 10 9 4 2

Answer: 2 ♣

8. ♠ 8 2  
♥ K 9 6 2  
♦ 7 4  
♣ A Q 9 7 4

Answer: 3 ♣

9. ♠ Q 10 7 2  
♥ A 9 7 4 2  
♦ K 2  
♣ 10 9

Answer: 3 ♠



# Responder's rebid when Opener shows a "Medium" hand

Bid sequence:

Opener	Responder
1 ♥	1 ♠
3 ♥	?

As Responder, think of the 3 "M's"

Minimum - 6 to 9

Medium - 10 or 11

Maximum - 12+

## Responder's hand

1. ♠ K 10 7 4 3  
♥ 9 2  
♦ Q J 6 2  
♣ 10 4

Answer: Pass

2. ♠ A J 8 2  
♥ 7  
♦ K 10 4 3  
♣ Q 9 8 6

Answer: 3 NT

3. ♠ A 10 7 3  
♥ K 10  
♦ 7 4 3  
♣ Q 9 6 2

Answer: 4 ♥

## Responder's rebid when Opener shows a "Maximum" hand

Bid sequence:

Opener	Responder
1 ♦	1 ♥
2 NT	?

As Responder, think of the 3 "M's"

Minimum - 6 to 9

Medium - 10 or 11

Maximum - 12+

Responder's hand

- ♠ 9 4  
♥ K 10 8 4  
♦ Q J 9 3  
♣ 10 7 2

Answer: 3 NT

- ♠ 8  
♥ Q J 10 8 3 2  
♦ A 6 5  
♣ 9 4 2

Answer: 4 ♥

- ♠ K 5 2  
♥ A J 9 4 3  
♦ J 10 8  
♣ 4 3

Answer: 3 ♥

# Hands played in Dec. 6 workshop

Dealer: North

♠ 8 4	♠ Q J 9 3	♠ 6 2
♥ K Q 8 4	♥ 7 5 3	♥ A 10 9
♦ 8 7 5 4	♦ K 3	♦ Q J 10 6
♣ Q 10 9	♣ A K 6 2	♣ J 7 5 3

N  
W E  
S

♠ A K 10 7 5
♥ J 6 2
♦ A 9 2
♣ 8 4

This hand should make 4 Spades by South. Be sure to count your losers and figure out how to eliminate 1.

Dealer: East

♠ Q 9 8 5	♠ K 6 3 2	♠ J
♥ 10 9 7 5	♥ 8	♥ A K Q J 4 3
♦ A 9 3	♦ J 6 4	♦ 10 8 2
♣ 5 2	♣ K Q 7 6 4	♣ A 10 9

N  
W E  
S

♠ A 10 7 4
♥ 6 2
♦ K Q 7 5
♣ J 8 3

This hand should make 3 Hearts by East. Be sure to count your losers and figure out how to eliminate 1.