

OTHER OPENING BIDS						
	HCP	see Note	Min length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
1C	10-19	1	3	Inverted/xover raises, splinters, Baron, wJmajors		2,3
1D	10-19	1	4	Inverted/xover raises, splinters, Baron, wJmajors		2,3
1H	10-19	1	4	1S 5-9, 1N s(10+), 2S wks, support 2N+		3,4,5
1S	10-19	1	5	Loser based raises from 2S up.		3,4,5
3 bids	5-9		6	3NT gambling	4C p/corr, 4D x/void	6
4 bids	5+		7			7

DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN

OPPONENTS OPEN A NATURAL ONE OF A SUIT		CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Simple overcall		Natural	Cue bid =good raise, fit jump	
Jump overcall		Weak usually 6 , 3C two highest suits		
Cue bid		Two extreme suits 5-5		
1NT	Direct: Protective	15-17 11-14	system on	
2NT	Direct: Protective	Two lowest ranking suits 5-5 weak or strong 20-22 balanced system on		
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Strong 1C		1 level Multi-Landy, X MM, over 1D 2DMM, 1N mM or mm		8
Short C		2 level Multi-Landy, x is me too. Over tfr rep x shows suit bid		
Short D		X balanced, 2D = majors (2c nat)		
Weak 1NT		Multi-Landy, X penalties, next X values		8
Strong 1NT		Multi-Landy, X penalties		8
Weak 2		X t-o, 2NT 16-19 (puppet system on), 2D-3D 5-4M, Leaping Michaels		
Weak 3		X for take-out, non-leaping Michaels		
4 bids		X shows values take-out over minors, optional over majors		
Multi 2D		In 2 nd X 13-15 or very strong, 4 th /6 th X take-out, 2N 16-19(puppet system on), 4m shows m + a major		

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Name	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
RKCB, Excl, minwood	30, 41, 2-, 2+	
Next suit Q ask	With Q show specific K or other 2, 5N if available 3, 6T with 3/0	
5N enquiry for AKQ	1=0, 2=1, 3=2, 7=AKQ	

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS

Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents			
Level to which negative doubles apply		4H	
Special meaning of bids		Cue bid = good raise, splinter, fit jump	
Exceptions / other agreements		Jump raise pre-emptive, 2N natural	

Agreements after opponents double for takeout			
Redouble	9+ pts	New suit	constructive
Jump raise		Pre-empt	2NT
		Good raise	Other

Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles

Redouble of lead directing doubles of conventions shows control			
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OTHER CONVENTIONS

Fourth suit – natural at one level, forcing 1 round two level, game force three level

Competitive cue bid shows a good raise of major asks for NT stop of minor

2 way check-back after 1m opening 2C invite (relay 2D), 2D game force (9+), 2H/S sign-off, 2N relay 3C, 3 any gf After 1H-1S-1N 2C is cb without S 2D with S.

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Lebensohl over 1N (2y), (weak 2) X (p), low reverse, weak jump overcall, x of wk sign-off >1N

Lebensohl new suits - 2 bids or via 2N weak, 3 bids invite, FADS - cue (4M) or NT(minors) gf,

Lebensohl not bidding 3C over 2N new suit shows a strong overcall cue bid v. strong

Double of splinter for lead of suit below

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SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

1 Light openings in 3rd,

2 **1c-2d/1d-3c good raise deny 4M**, inverted raises gf, 2N 17+ slam poss. 3 higher splinter

3 1N rebid 14-17, 2N over 1 level 18-20, 3N over 2 level 14-17, 2N 17+ or interest in suit

4 1H-2S (wk jump) 1M-2N 7/8L, 3C5/6L, 3Dstrong flat, 3M 9L, 3O/4C/4D Fit jumps

Rebid pack 3D Flat or void, 3S two-suiters, 3N/4C/4D sub-splinters.

5 After 1H-1S rebids 2C 16-18 any, 2D 15+ 6cd major, 2O strongO, 2N 19/20 balanced

6 After 4D? 4H=h, 4S=s, 4N=no, 5C=d, 5D=c, 4N over 3N is standard Blackwood

7 Currently no note 7

8 Multi-Landy over 1N 2C shows both majors, 2D shows a major, 2H/2S show Major+minor

9 Leaping Michaels over weak 2M 4C shows 5M+5c, 4D shows 5M+5d strong, over 2D 3D is both M nf, 4C is c+M

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OPENING LEADS							
For all the card combinations shown, clearly mark the card normally led if different from the underlined card.					Hatch over or shade this box if using non-standard leads.		
v. suit contracts	<u>A</u> K	<u>A</u> K x	<u>K</u> <u>Q</u> 10	<u>K</u> <u>Q</u> x	K J <u>10</u>	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	9 <u>8</u> 7 x	10 <u>x</u> x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
	H x x <u>x</u>	H x x <u>x</u> x	H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	x <u>x</u> x	x <u>x</u> x x	
v. NT contracts	<u>A</u> K x (<u>x</u>)	A J 10 x	<u>K</u> <u>Q</u> 10	<u>K</u> <u>Q</u> x	K J <u>10</u>	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	10 <u>9</u> x	9 <u>8</u> 7 x	10 x x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
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Other agreements in leading, e.g. high level contracts, partnership suits:-							
A/Q asks for reverse attitude, King asks for count at high level attitude is for the king.							
CARDING METHODS							
	Primary method v suit contracts			Primary method v NT contracts			
On Partner's lead	Standard Count except on A/Q			Standard Count except on A/Q			
On Declarer's lead	Standard Count			Standard Count			
When discarding	McKenney			McKenney			
Other carding agreements							
Suit preference when dummy has a singleton							
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (continued)							
10 Break with 4 cds 3new max feature, 3trumps min. 2N max no feature.							
11 Forces 2N unless wk with strg pref, then 3C wk both, 3D inv both, 3H – strg C, 3S – strg D							
12 1N (X) XX shows 5(+) card suit							
1N (X) suit = lowest of 2							
13 1N (2m) X if 2m nat =stayman, if 2m art shows values/suit, 2 of a promised suit is staymanic, 1N (2M) X take-out pens							
14 Forces 3C, pass or 3D to play. 3H/S strg both minors showing shortage							
15 3C gwk2 either, 3D/H wk2fr, 3S/4C/D/H str 1 st, 3N 22/23 flat							

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS			
WEAK NO TRUMP, 5 CARD 1 SPADE, MULTI 2D, 8-13 LUCAS 2H/2S, 2N MINORS			
1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES			
Strength	11-13NV, 12-14V		
Shape constraints	May Contain Singleton		
Responses	2C Stayman (non-promissory)		
2D	Transfer to hearts (Note 10)	2H	Transfer to spades (Note 10)
2S	Transfer to minor(s) (Note 11)	2NT	Transfer to minor(s) (Note 14)
Others	3 bids game force + (showing shortage), 4C/D = NAMYATS		
Action after opponents double	Helmic style (Note 12)		
Action after other interference	Lebensohl (Conventions) (Note 13)		
TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES			
	Meaning	Responses	Notes
2C	Gf or 23+ flat	2D no suitable +, kokish (25/26)	
2D	Multi: Wk major, strg 1 suit, 21/22	2Hp/c, 2Nq (Note 15) 2S/3C/D nf, 3Hporc	
2H	5 card suit & 4+ ano (8-13hcp)	2Sp/c, 2NQ 3C/D/H wk, 3Sgd m, 3N gd S	
2S	5 card suit & 4+ ano (8-13hcp)	3Cp/c, 2NQ 3C/D/H wk, 3Sgd m, 3N gd S	
2NT	Minors		
OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE			
(Please include details of any agreements involving bidding on significantly less than traditional values).			
Cue bids show first round control except in partners bid suit or when first round control is unlikely or denied			
1S response to 1H is 5-9 any or 8 loser with 3cd support, 1N is 10+4+s			
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