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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS

ACOL 5card majors Strong NT

1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

Strength	15-18		
Shape constraints			Tick if may have singleton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Responses	2♣	Stayman	
2♦	Transfer to hearts	2♥	Transfer to spades
2♠	Transfer to minors	2NT	6-8 points balanced
Others	3 level good suit, can be passed		
Action after opponents double	Redouble is strong. Suit (including 2C) is 5+ length and weak		
Action after other interference	dbl = penalties. Others = natural		

TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

	Meaning	Responses	Notes
2♣	Strong, 8+ tricks (any suit)	2D weak (<6). 2NT = 6-10 balanced	
2♦	Strong 23+ or equivalent	2H 0-3 4-7, bid best suit 2NT = 8+points	
2♥	Weak, 6-9, 6 cards	2NT asking for OGUST responses	1
2♠	Weak, 6-9, 6 cards	2NT asking for OGUST responses	1
2NT	20-22	3C asking for majors	

OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

(Please include details of any agreements involving bidding on significantly less than traditional values).

OTHER OPENING BIDS

	HCP	see Note *	Min length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
1 ♣	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	3			
1 ♦	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	3			
1 ♥	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	5			
1 ♠	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	5			
3 ♣		<input type="checkbox"/>	6			
3 ♦ ♥ ♠		<input type="checkbox"/>	6			
3NT		<input type="checkbox"/>				
4 bids		<input type="checkbox"/>	7			

DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN

NATURAL ONE OF A SUIT		CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Simple overcall		Natural		
Jump overcall		Weak		
Cue bid		Two-suited hand		
1NT	Direct: Protective:	15-18		
2NT	Direct: Protective:	Unusual		
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Strong 1 ♣				
Short 1 ♣/1 ♦				
Weak 1NT		2C - majors. Dbl = 15+		
Strong 1NT		2C - majors. Dbl = 18+		
Weak 2		Dbl = 15+ (or equivalent), takeout	2N0 to 10	
Weak 3		Dbl = 15+, optional.		
4 bids				
Multi 2 ♦		As weak 2.		

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Name	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
4NT Roman Keycard blackwood	5C = 0/3, D=1/4, H=2/5-Q, S=2/5+Q 5N = 0,2,4 + void 6 level = 1,3,5 + void (bid lowest of void or trumps)	
	5N then asks for lowest K, sign off in 6 trumps if none	

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS

Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents

Level to which negative doubles apply

Special meaning of bids

Exceptions / other agreements

Agreements after opponents double for takeout

Redouble:

New suit:

Jump in new suit:

Jump raise:

2NT:

Other:

Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles

OTHER CONVENTIONS

1. Ogust:

3C = wk/wk. D=wk hand/strong suit H=strong hand/weak suit S = st/st

(Wk= 5-7, st= 8-10. Strong suit usually means 2 of top 3 honours).

3NT= maximum, all three top honours.

SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

(Please cross-reference where appropriate to the relevant part of card, and continue on back if needed).

