

OTHER OPENING BIDS						
	HCP	see Note	Min length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
1♣	11*-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	* Light openings possible For opener's NT rebids – note 1	1NT response = 6-9 2NT response = 10-12 Limit raises Splinter bids see Other conventions	
1♦	11*-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	4			
1♥	11*-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	4			
1♠	11*-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	4			
3 bids	<10	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	Pre-emptive		
4 bids	<10	<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Pre-emptive		

\*(Please enter your normal HCP range in the HCP column. Please tick box if you have any special agreements involving different values in particular positions (e.g. light openings in third seat) and include further details under Supplementary Details).

### DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN

OPPONENTS OPEN A NATURAL ONE OF A SUIT		CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Simple overcall		Wide range, from 8+ at 1-level		
Jump overcall		Weak, usually 6 card suit		
Cue bid		2-suited hand		4
1NT	Direct: Protective	15-18 11-14	As for 1NT opening	
2NT	Direct: Protective	Lowest two unbid suits 20-22 balanced	As 2NT opener	

OPPONENTS OPEN WITH	DEFENSIVE METHODS	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Strong 1♣	Double= both majors; 1NT both minors		
Short 1♣/1♦	Natural		
Weak 1NT	Double = penalties; 2♣ both majors ; others nat.		3
Strong 1NT	Double = penalties; 2♣ both majors ; others nat.		3
Weak 2	Double = take out		
Weak 3	Double = take out		
4 bids	Double = take out		
Multi 2♦	X= 13-16 bal or v strong; 2NT = 17-19 bal		

### SLAM CONVENTIONS

Name	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
Roman Key Card	5♣ = 0 or 3 aces; 5♦ = 1 or 4 Aces	
Blackwood	5♥ = 2 aces no trump queen; 5♠ = 2 with trump queen	
Gerber (over 1 and 2NT openings only)	4♦ = 0 or 4 aces; 4♥ = 1 ace; 4♠ = 2 aces; 4NT = 3 aces	

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS			
Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents			
Level to which negative doubles apply		3♠	
Special meaning of bids		Cue bid = good raise	
Exceptions / other agreements		Jump raise pre-emptive	
Agreements after opponents double for takeout			
<b>Redouble</b>	9+ HCP	<b>New suit</b> forcing	<b>Jump in new suit</b> forcing
<b>Jump raise</b>	Pre-emptive	<b>2NT</b> Good raise	
Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles			

### OTHER CONVENTIONS

<b>Fourth Suit Forcing:</b> 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♣ - 1♦ - 1♥, 1♠ is natural and 2♠ is 'fourth suit forcing'.
<b>Unassuming Cue Bids</b> 10+ HCPs & 3+card support for partner's overcall
<b>Splinter Bids</b> Response of 3♠/4♠/4♦ to 1♥ opening or 4♣/4♦/4♥ to 1♠ opening shows a raise to 4♥/4♠ with 4+ trump support and singleton or void in bid suit
<b>Long suit trial bids</b> Used after a simple raise, showing a suit with 2 losers.

### SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

(Please cross-reference where appropriate to the relevant part of card, and continue on back if needed).
<b>1 NT rebids:</b> After 1 level response 1NT = 15-17; 2NT = 17-18; 3NT = 19. After 2 level response 2NT = 15-18 and is game forcing
<b>2 After Weak 2♥♠</b> 2NT is OGUST
<b>3 Defence to 1NT</b> 2♣ shows 5+ - 4+ in majors.
<b>4 2 suited overcalls</b> 1m 2m shows 5+ -5+ in majors; 1M 2M shows 5+ -5+ in other major and a minor. 1any - 2NT shows 5+ - 5+ in two lowest unbid suits.
<b>5 Continuations after a 2NT rebid</b> are as over an opening 2NT bid
<b>6 Transfer to a minor</b> Responder passes 3♣ or corrects to 3♦

OPENING LEADS							
(For all the card combinations shown, clearly mark the card normally led if different from the underlined card).				(Hatch over this box if using non-standard leads).			
v. suit contracts	A <u>K</u>	<u>A</u> K x	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	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 x 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 <u>J</u> 10 x	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	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 x 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	
Other agreements in leading, e.g. high level contracts, partnership suits:-							
CARDING METHODS							
	Primary method v suit contracts			Primary method v NT contracts			
On Partner's lead	Attitude: high encouraging, low discouraging EXCEPT lead of K v NT asks partner to unblock or give count.						
On Declarer's lead	Count: high-low=even no. of cards; upwards = odd no.						
When discarding	Italian: odd encouraging; even McKenny						
Other carding agreements, including secondary methods (state when applicable) and exceptions to above							
<b>Suit preference signals</b>							
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (continued)							



Name

EBU No.

Partner

EBU No.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS			
<b>Benjaminised Acol: OBC Convention Card</b>			
1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES			
<b>Strength</b>	12 to 14	Tick if artificial and provide details below <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Shape constraints</b>		Tick if may have singleton <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Responses</b>	2♣ Stayman		
2♦	Transfer to hearts	2♥	Transfer to spades
2♠	Transfer to 3♣ (note 6)	2NT	Invitational
Others 3♣/♦/♥/♠ = 6+ card suit and slam interest.			
Action after opponents double		All two level responses are natural	
Action after other interference		Bid naturally, X = takeout after suit overcall	
TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES			
	Meaning	Responses	Notes
2♣	Acol 2 or 19-20 balanced	2♦ relay	5
2♦	Game forcing or 23+ balanced	2♥ negative	5
2♥	Weak 2, 5-9 usually 6 card suit	2NT relay	2
2♠	Weak 2, 5-9 usually 6 card suit	2NT relay	2
2NT	21-22; 3♣ Stayman, 3♦♥ Transfer; 3♠ = 5♠ and 4♥		
OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE			
(Please include details of any agreements involving bidding on significantly less than traditional values).			
<p><b>Note:</b> This convention card has been produced from the EBU card by OBC to summarise a standard system in common use at OBC</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This card may be copied and amended as needed.</i></p>			

Both players of a partnership must have identically completed convention cards. Cards must be exchanged with opponents for each round.