

OTHER OPENING BIDS						
	HCP	see Note	Min len	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
1♣	11+	<input type="checkbox"/>	4		jump-shifts to 2-level	
1♦	11+	<input type="checkbox"/>	4		weak	
1♥	11+	<input type="checkbox"/>	4		2NT = Jacoby over M	
1♠	11+	<input type="checkbox"/>	4		fit jumps, splinters	
3 bids		<input type="checkbox"/>	6	pre-empt	new suit below game F	
4 bids		<input type="checkbox"/>	6	SA Texas in 1 <sup>st</sup> / 2 <sup>nd</sup>		
*(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		nat		UCB		
Jump overcall		weak NV, int. V				
Cue bid		Michaels (5-5)				(6)
1NT	Direct: Protective	15-18 (direct)	11-15 (protective)	"system on"		
2NT	Direct: Protective	UNT (lowest ranking suits) 19-21 bal				
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS		SPECIAL RESPONSES		Notes
Strong 1♣		Mathe (X = MM, 1NT = mm, wjos)				
Short 1♣/1♦		treat as nat				
Weak 1NT		2♣ = either MM or mm	suits P/C, 2NT inv.+			(7)
Strong 1NT		2♦ = one M, 2M = Mm	M bids P/C, 2NT inv.+			
Weak 2		X = to		lebensohl		
Weak 4 bids		X = to to 4♥, "values" thereafter				
Multi 2♦		X = 13-15 bal or v.str., 2NT = 16-18,		(system on)		
		X of 2M response = takeout of suit bid				
SLAM CONVENTIONS						
Name		Meaning of Responses		Action over interference		
RKCB		3041		DOPI		

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS			
Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents			
Level to which negative doubles apply		4♥	
Special meaning of bids		2NT = good raise of partner's major	
Exceptions / other agreements			
Agreements after opponents double for takeout:			
Redouble	9+pts (pen)	New suit forcing	Jump in new suit NF
Jump raise	pre-empt	2NT = good raise+	Other
Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles			
Doubles of natural suit bids up to 4♥ are for takeout unless: (i) we have found a fit			
(ii) we have bid NT naturally (iii) we have pre-empted or shown extreme shape			
(iv) we have already (re)doubled for penalties (iv) no possible fit exists or we have given up looking. Above 4♥ doubles show values.			
OTHER CONVENTIONS			
4 <sup>th</sup> suit forcing			
Lebensohl after 1NT – (2 suit) (via 2NT shows stop) and (weak two) – X – (P)			
Long-suit trial bids (asks for help)			
Two-way checkback			
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS			
(Please cross-reference where appropriate to the relevant part of card, and continue on back if needed).			
(1)	break transfer to 3M (min), 2NT (max) with 4-card support, retransfers		
(2)	after 1NT – (X) – P – (P); XX – (P) ? new suit = 4-4 with a higher suit		
	after 1NT (P) P (X): 2 suit = 5 cards		
	after 1NT (P) P (X); P (P): 2m = 5 cards, XX = wriggle		
(3)	Lebensohl: new suit F at 3-level, via 2NT NF; cue-bids staymanic, direct denies stop, via 2NT shows stop		
(4)	Multi 2♦ = weak two in major, strong Acol two in minor, 20-22 bal.		
	Responses: major suit = P/C with weak two, 2NT = strong (14+) enquiry		
	2♦ - 2NT - ? Rebids: 3♣ = min weak two in ♥ or Acol two in ♣; 3♦ = ditto in ♠/♦		
	3♥ = max weak two in ♥; 3♠ = max weak two in ♠		
	Over intervention: 2♦ - (2♥/♠) – X = takeout (pass with that major)		
	2♦ - (3 any) – X = pen. 2♦ - (X) – ? P = to play		
(5)	2♥/♠ - 2NT: 3♣/♦ = nat, min; 3♥/♠ = min/max both M; 3NT = max with a minor		
	2♥/♠ (X) – ?		
(6)	Michaels cue bid: (1m) – 2m = both M; (1M) – 2M = other M + a minor		
	min 5-5, us. ~9-15 pts		
	Responses: 3m = P/C, 2NT = inv. 3-card raise		

### OPENING LEADS

For all the card combinations shown, clearly mark the card normally led if different from the underlined card.

Top of sequence, 4<sup>th</sup> from H  
Strong tens vs NT

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 J <u>10</u> x	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K J <u>10</u>	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
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Other agreements in leading, e.g. high level contracts, partnership suits:-

Leading partner's suit: Top of sequence, 4<sup>th</sup> from honour, 2<sup>nd</sup> if poor suit

Subsequent leads: Top of sequence, 4<sup>th</sup> from honour, 2<sup>nd</sup> from poor suits

### CARDING METHODS

	Primary method v suit contracts	Primary method v NT contracts
On Partner's lead	low encourages	low encourages
On Declarer's lead	low even	low even
When discarding	low encourages	low encourages

Other carding agreements, including secondary methods (state when applicable) and exceptions to above

### SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (continued)

(7)	(1NT) 2♣: responder bids 2♦ or cheaper of possible fits. 2NT is inv.+, overcaller bids lower of suits held with min, higher with max Jacoby 2NT applies over a pass or overcall (not a double). Responses: 1♥ - 2NT: 3♣ = any min, 3♦/♥/♠ = shortage in ♦/♠/♠ with extras, 3NT = balanced extras; jump in a new suit = good suit (5+ cards) 1♥ - 2NT; 3♣: 3♦ asks for shortage (opener bids a short suit) Puppet Stayman over a 20+ 2NT rebid (4♣ by responder shows 4-4 Ms)
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### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS

Acol, 12-14 NT, multi 2♦, Lucas twos, 2NT = weak minor two-suiter

### 1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

**Strength** 12 - 14 Tick if artificial and provide details below

**Shape constraints** Poss. 5cM or 5422 Tick if may have singleton

**Responses** 2♣ Stayman

2♦ hearts 2♥ spades (1)

2♠ clubs (3♠ = good fit) 2NT diamonds (3♦ = good fit)

Others 3m = nat. inv.; 4♣/♦ = 6+ ♥/♠ (after which 4NT = RCKB)

Action after opponents double XX -> 2♥ transfers, P -> XX (2)

Action after other interference Lebensohl, X = pen over 2y, to over 3y (3)

### TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

	Meaning	Responses	Notes
2♣	art GF or 23+ bal.	2♦ = relay	
2♦	multi	2♥/♠ = P/C, 2NT strong enquiry	(4)
2♥	5-4 in suit bid + other	next suit up = P/C, 2NT = inv.+	(5)
2♠			
2NT	5-5 both minors, 6-10 (7-11 V)	all bids up to 4♠ nat NF	

### OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

2♣/♦ over 1NT are MM or mm / M

After suit overcalls disturbed new suits are constructive but NF (e.g. 1♠ (2♣) 2♦ F1, but 1♠ (2♦) 3♣ NF)