

TIP OF THE WEEK: NEW MINOR FORCING AND BEYOND THE BASICS

When partner opens the bidding in a minor, and doesn't support Responder's major, but instead rebids 1NT or 2NT, then we realize our side doesn't have a 4-4 major suit bid. However, if Responder holds a 5-card Major and Invitational values (11 HCP), then he bids the new (unbid) minor as an artificial way to ask about the Majors. This is a **forcing bid** that asks Partner to continue describing their shape and strength.

1C - 1S
 1NT - **2D** ---> **Alert!**
2D is an Artificial forcing bid that says nothing about Diamonds. It promises Invitational values and Asks partner to further describe their hand and strength.

Opener's Priority Rebids after NMF

Show 3 cards in Responder's Major suit to reveal less to the Opponents
Show 4 cards in the unbid Major suit
Show 5-cards in his primary suit
Bid NT to show none of the above

Opener's Strength

- . Opener rebids a suit at the 2-level or 2NT ---> Minimum Hand (12 to a bad 13 points)
- . Opener jumps to the 3-level -----> Maximum Values (13 - 14 points)

1D - 1S 1NT - 2C Alert ? ----->	(Source: ACBL)
	2D: denies 3 Spades or 4 Hearts, min values
	2H: shows 4 Hearts, may be min or max values
	2S: shows 3 card Spade support, min values
	2NT: denies 4 Hearts or 3 Spades, max values
	3D: denies 4 hearts or 3 Spades, max values and promises 5 Diamonds
	3S: shows 3 card Spade support, max values

Follow Up by Responder

If partner shows minimum values, any 2-level bid by Responder can be passed.

1D - 1H
1NT - 2C **Alert**
2D - 2NT. **2D** rebid by Opener shows minimum values and no Heart fit.
P

1D - 1H
1NT - 2C **Alert**
2D - **2H** **To Play**

1C - 1H 1NT - 2D Alert 2NT - 3D P

Opener's 2NT bid promises a stopper in spades, 12 - 13 pts. Rebidding the 'new' minor by Responder promises at least a 4 card suit. Opener passes with a minimum or bids 3NT with maximum values.

If Responder wants to force to Game and investigate slam, he begins with NMF and rebids Diamonds at the 3-level.

1D - 1H
1NT - 2C **Alert**
2D - **3D** -----> **Natural, creates a force**


1H - 1S 1NT - 2C Alert 2H - 2NT

2C is **NMF**. Opener's 2H bid says he has neither 3 Spades nor a Diamond stopper. Also, he can't raise clubs. Responder bids 2NT with minimum values and a Club control. Opener passes with a minimum.

If you're interested in both Majors ...


1D - 1S
1NT - 2C --> **Alert**
2D - **3H** -----> **You must bid at the 3-level to force**


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New Minor Forcing

- To ask these questions, responder bids the unbid minor — the minor opener did not bid.
- Responder must have invitational or better strength — generally 11+ HCP
- Responder usually has 5 in her suit. She could have 4 in the other major






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QUIZ


Hand 1




Hand 2



Hand 3




Hand 4



Hand 5



Hand 6



Hand 7



Hand 8



Hand 9



MAKE THE NEXT BID WITH EACH OF THESE 9 HANDS

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BEYOND THE BASIC WITH ADAM PARRISH

New Minor Forcing

1♣ 1♥
2NT 3♦

♠ Q52 ♥ KQ984 ♦ Q2 ♣ 852

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THE THOUGHT

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