

RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS
CONVENTIONS
Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning

| 14 | 1 | 5+, 4+ |  | 16+ Bal, 3+ card support |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1v/ | 5+, 4+ | 3. | 10-11, $5+$ |
|  | 1NT | 8-10 and balanced | 3 | --- |
|  | 2. | 5-9, 4/5+ | 3 | --- |
|  | 2 | 16+, 6+ | 3 | --- |
|  | 24 | 16+, 6+ | 3NT | $3-3-4-3$ or 3-3-3-4, 13-15 |
|  | 2 | 16+, 6+ | 4 bids |  |
| 1 | $1 \mathrm{~V} / 1$ | 5+, 4+ | 3 | 16+, 6+ |
|  | 1NT | 5-9, no four card Mjr | 3 | 10-11, 4+ |
|  | 2. | 9+, 4+ | 3 | --- |
|  | 2 | 6-9, 4+ | 3 | --- |
|  | 2 | 16+, 6+ | 3NT | 3-3-4-3 or 3-3-3-4, 13-15 |
|  | 2 | 16+, 6+ | 4 |  |
|  | 2NT | 16+ Bal, 3+ card support | 4 Other |  |
| 1V/ | 1NT | 5-9 |  | Mini/Maxi Splinter |
|  | 2 | 9+, 4+ | 3 | Mini/Maxi Splinter |
|  | 2 | 9+, 4+ | 3/4. | 10-11, no shortage, 4+,3+ |
|  | 2V/ | 5-9, 4+ (3+) (2sover 1-Spl) | 3NT | Value raise to 4<Mjr> |
|  | 2NT | 16+ Bal, 3+ card support | 4* | Splinter Raise |
| 2 | 2 other | Negative, 0-1 Control | 2V/ | Steps ( $2=2$ kings or 1 A) |
| 2* | ${ }^{29}$ | Pass/Correct | 34 | Natural, forcing |
|  | 2. | Pass/Correct, $3+\boldsymbol{\square}$ | 3 ${ }^{3} /$ | Pass/Correct |
|  | 2NT | Forcing enquiry | 3NT | To play |
| 2V/ | 2NT | Forcing enquiry | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3 | Pass/Correct | 4* | Pass/Correct, preemptive |
|  | 3\%/ | Preemptive | 4/4/2 | To play. |
| 2NT | 3. | Stayman over natural 2NT | 4. | Gerber over natural 2NT |
|  | 3 | Transfer --> Vover nat 2NT | 4 | Preemptive over direct 2NT |
|  | 3 | Transfer --> ¢over nat 2NT | 4 | To play |
|  | 3. | 5-4 in \& Vover nat 2NT | 4 | To play |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |

## Additional responses to 1 NT

3*3* Invitational to 3NT, based on broken 6 card minor
343 Strong Slam Try
4. Gerber
4.

4 To play
4. To play

Unusual NT: minorsother suits lower 2 unbid suits
other Minors over a major; Majors over a minor

## Other slam bidding

g Cue Bids $\qquad$ Asking Bids $\qquad$
4th Suit Forcing 1 Game force at 3 level Game force
NT Checkback Priorities Sec
Defence to 3NT opening $\quad X=$ Penalties
Defence to opening 2-s: $\quad$ Multi $\quad X=T / O ; 2 N T=15-18$ at least one major stop

RCO style 2-s First $2 \mathrm{Xs}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O} ; 2 \mathrm{NT}=15=18$
All subsequent doubles are penalties
Other 2-s First 2 Xs = T/O; 2NT = 15=18 All subsequent doubles are penalties
Defence to strong $\boldsymbol{~ T w e r b ~}$
up to but not including 3NT
Lebensohl
Over NT interference $\square$
Other uses After a weak two opening is doubled by our side for take-out Take out of 4 level pre-empts

4* X
4• X/4NT
4. 4NT

## OTHER NOTES

DOPI applies in step situations
After 2 level response, $3 \mathrm{NT}=15-16,2 \mathrm{NT}$ is stronger
Responsive and competitive doubles apply in competitive auctions over opponents' rai Penalty oriented doubles apply over new-suit bids
Cue Raises after overcalls

BASIC RESPONSES
Jump raises - minors limit Jump raises - majors limit other Jump shifts after minor opening

Splinter, 8-11
Jump shifts after major opening Splinter, 8-11
Responses to strong 2 suit opening 2 , negative 0-1 control, others show controls

Responses to 2NT opening



Underlead $\square$ K from AK if looking for ruff, underlead asks unblock
Four or more with an honour 4th highest $\square$ attitude $\square$ 3rd/5th $\qquad$ other
From 4 small 2nd highest $\quad \square$ other
From 3 cards (no honour) top $\square$ middle $\square$ bottom
Signal on partner's lead: high encourage $\square$ low encourage
other Reverse Count


## CONVENTIONS

| 4NT: | Blackwood $\quad \square$ | RKCB $\quad \square$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4* | Gerber |  |
| $\square$ |  |  |

Other Conventions
Modified Crowhurst, Cue Raises,
Splinters,
Change of Suit Forcing after 1 level opening
Cue bids
Q ask \& asking bids after RKCB

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2 $4+4,4+($ not 4432), 6-11. Then $2 \downarrow$ relay, with further game force relays
2. Game Force

2 $5 \uparrow, 4+m, 6-11$. Then $2 N T$ invitational or better relay. $2 \downarrow$ - new suit constructive but nf
2. 54-4+m, 6-11. Then 2NT invitational or better relay. 2-new suit constructive but nf

2 NT (20) 21-22. Then modified puppet \& trf
3 NT Minor Preempt with at least 2 top Honours

# PRE-ALERTS: CALLS THAT MAY HAVE UNEXPECTED MEANING/S OR REQUIRE SPECIAL DEFENCE 

$2=$ Both Majors 6-11
Preempts may not comply with rule of 15

## COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through
Jump overcalls
Weak

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| 14 | 1 | 5+, 4 card suit | 2NT | 16+ raise |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1/1 | 5+, 4 cards may often have 4+ ${ }^{\text {+ }}$ |  | Limit |
|  | 1NT | 6-10 | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 24 | Limit | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 8-11 splinter | 34 | Splinter |
|  | 2V | 8-11 splinter | 3NT | to play |
|  | 2 | 8-11 splinter | 4 bids | AKQxxxx |
| 1 | 1/1 | 5+, 4 cards | 3 | 8-11 splinter |
|  | 1NT | 5-10 | 3 | Limit |
|  | 2 | (9)10+, 4 cards «rebid nf | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | Limit | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2V | 8-11 splinter | 3NT | to play |
|  | 2 | 8-11 splinter | 4* | Preempt |
|  | 2NT | 12+ raise | 4 Othe | AKQxxxx |
| 1/19 | 1NT | 5-10 | 30 | Splinter |
|  | 20 | (9)10+ , 4 cards M rebid nf | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | (9)10+ , 4 cards M rebid nf | 3ve | Limit |
|  | 2V/ | raise 3(4), 5-8. 122-3, 9-11 | 3NT | 4 card raise, 12-15 balanced |
|  | 2NT | 16+4+ card support | 4* | Splinters |
|  |  | relay, then further relays if strongve |  | to play |
|  | other | Majors to play, other non-forcing |  |  |
| 2 | 2 | 0-1 control | 3* | 4/5 controls |
|  | 2 | 2 controls | 3v1 | $3 / 15=$ good six card suit |
|  | 2NT | 3 controls | 3NT |  |
| 2/1 | 2NT | shortage ask | 3NT | to play |
|  | 3\% | natural, constructive, non-forcingl* |  | Splinter |
|  | 3/15 | to play | 4V1/ | to play |
| 2NT | 31 | Modified Puppet Staymen | 4 | Slam try |
|  | 3 | trf to ${ }^{*}$ | 4* | Slam try |
|  | 3 | trf to | 4 | to play |
|  | 31 | 54\& 4 GFF | 4 | to play |
|  | 3NT | to Play | other |  |

CONVENTIONS
Additional responses to 1 NT


## OTHER NOTES



| 1. |  | (1) any Game Force (3) naturaRNT |  | (1) semi+ 7major |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1/4. |  |  | (1) semi+ 7card suit (3) Limit |
|  | 1NT | (1) semi+, any 5-5 (3) 5-9 | 3 | (1) semi+ 7 card suit |
|  | 2 | (1) semi+ $5+\square$ (3) Limit | $3 \times$ |  |
|  | 2 | (1) semi+ $5+$ (3) Splinter | 3 |  |
|  | 2 | (1) semi+ 6+ (3) Splinter | 3NT |  |
|  | 2 | (1) semi+ 6+ (3) Splinter | 4 bids |  |
| 1 | 1/1/ | 5+, 4+ cards (4 cards often not 198) |  | (1) weak (3) Splinter |
|  | 1NT | 5-10 | 3 | Limit |
|  | 2 | (1) $11+, 4$ cards $\quad$ (3) $7-95+$ card ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |
|  | 2 | Limit | 3. |  |
|  | 2 | (1) weak (3) Splinter | 3NT | to play |
|  | 2 | (1) weak (3) Splinter | 4. | Preempt |
|  | 2NT | (1) natural invite | 4 Othe | r to play |
| 1/1/ | 1NT | 5-10 | 3. | Splinter |
|  | 2. | (1) $11+, 4$ cards (3) $7-95+$ card ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  | Splinter |
|  | 2 | (1) $11+, 4$ cards (3) $7-95+$ cards $/$ / |  | Limit |
|  | 2V/ | raise 3(4), 5-10 | 3NT | to play |
|  | 2NT | $16+4+$ card support | 4* | Splinters |
| 2 | $2$ other | (1) nat, non-forc <br> (3) $0-1$ control $2 \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{s}$ |  | (1) nat, non-forc <br> (3) $2 / 3$ contr |
| 2-1/ | 2 | nat, non-forc | 3* | nat, non-forc |
|  | 2. | nat, non-forc | 3V/4 | nat, non-forc |
|  | 2NT | Asking Bid | 3NT | to play |
| 2V/ | 2NT | Invitational plus | 3NT | to play |
|  | 3** | (1) 3 to play, 3 nnat \& forc | 4** | Splinter |
|  | 3V1/ | (1) nat \& forc | 4/V/ | to play |
| 2NT | 3 | (1) to play (3) mod Puppet Stay ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | Slam try |
|  | 3 | (1) to play (3) trf to $\vee$ | $4 *$ | Slam try |
|  | 3 | (1) nat \& forc (3) trf to $\uparrow$ | 4 | to play |
|  | 3 | (1) nat \& forc (3) 5 \& 4 G GF | 4. | to play |
|  | 3NT | to Play | other |  |

Additional responses to 1NT

## 3 3

3/3s
4. both majors slam going
4. both majors not slam going

4• to play
4. to play

Unusual NT: minorsother suits $\qquad$ ower 2 unbid suits
other weak or strong

Other slam bidding Cue Bids $\square$ Asking Bids $\square$
4th Suit Forcing One round non-jump opener = non-forcGame force
NT Checkback $\downarrow$ Priorities range, cheapest descriptor
Defence to 3NT opening $\quad X$ penalties
Defence to opening 2-s: $\quad$ Multi $\quad X$ of 2D=15+, 2NT 15-18, 2D p 2M $X=T / O$ Lebensohl applies
RCO style 2-s

Other 2-s

Defence to strong e Twerb to 3S, suit bid = 1suiter next suit or 2 suiter in suits belo $X=$ may be our hand
Lebensohl Over NT interference $\square$
Other uses after weak 2 \& initial T/O at 2 level, After 1NT overcall
Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4 X takeout

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| 14 | 1 | 0-7, any |  | 14-15 HCP, flat |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1V1 | 8+ HCP, 5+ suit | 3 | 8+ HCP, 4-4-1-4 |
|  | 1NT | $8-13$ or 16+ flat | 3 | $8+$ HCP, 4-1-4-4 |
|  | 2 | $8+$ HCP, $5+$ suit | 34 | 6 card H suit to AKQ |
|  | 2 | $8+$ HCP, 5+ suit | 3 | 6 card S suit to AKQ |
|  | 2 | $8+$ HCP, 1-4-4-4 | 3NT | Any 7 card suit to AKQ |
|  | 2 | 8+ HCP, 4-4-4-1 | 4 bids | N/A |
| 1 | 1) | $6+, 4+$ suit | 3 | 16+, Alpha ask in C |
|  | 1NT | 6-9, no 4 card major | 3 | 8-11, 4+ suit |
|  | 2. | 10+, 4+ suit | 34 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 5-9 4+suit | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 16+, Alpha ask in H | 3NT | To play |
|  | 2 | 16+, Alpha ask in S | 4 | Pre-emptive |
|  | 2NT | 16+, Gamma ask in D | 4 Other | Splinter |
| 1/1/ | 1NT | 6-9 HCP, not necessarily flat |  | 16+, Alpha ask in C |
|  | 2 | 10+, 4+ suit | 3 | 16+, Alpha ask in D |
|  | 2 | 10+, 4+ suit | 3/4/ | 8-11, 4+ support |
|  | 2V/ | 6-9 HCP, 3+suit | 3NT | 13-15, flat raise |
|  | 2NT | 16+, Gamma ask in H/S | 4* | Splinter |
| 2 | 2 | "Relay" | 2V/4 | Not forcing |
|  | other | 2 D is only forcing bid |  |  |
| 2* | 2 | Correctable to 2S | 34 | Natural, not forcing |
|  | 2 | Correctable to 3H | 3/4 | Correctable |
|  | 2NT | (Reverse) Ogust | 3NT | To play |
| 2V/3. | 2NT | Relay, one round force | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3* | Correctable | 44 | Correctable |
|  | 3V/4 | Correctable | 4V/ | Correctable |
| 2NT | 3 | To Play | 4 | Pr-emptive |
|  | 3 | To Play | 4 | Pre-emptive |
|  | 3 | Forcing | 4 | To Play |
|  | 34 | Forcing | 4 | To Play |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |

Additional responses to 1 NT
3*3* 7-10, 6 card suit to 2 top honours
3*/3. Slam interest
4. Gerber
4. N/A

4• To play
4. To play

Unusual NT: minorsother suits
lower 2 unbid suits
other Over minor = majors: over major = minors: after 2 suits $=$ other 2 suits

| Other slam bidding | Cue Bids $\square$ | Asking Bids $\quad \square$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4th Suit Forcing | One round $\quad \square$ |  | Game force |

TT CheckbackPriorities
Defence to 3NT opening Double with strength
Defence to opening 2-s: Multi $\quad$ Double $=16+, 2 N T=16-19$

RCO style 2-s

Other 2-s

Defence to strong * TWERB to any level
Lebensohl Over NT interference $\square$

Other uses
Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4\$ Double
4 Double $=$ values 4 4NT
OTHER NOTES


[^0]:    4• X takeout
    4. X takeout

