BASIC RESPONSES

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STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

| STANDARD SYSTEM CARD |  |  |  |
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| Basic System: ACOL |  |  |  |
| Classification: $\quad$ Green $\square$ | Blue $\square$ | Red $\square$ | Yellow $\square$ |


2. Game Force or 8.5 tricks
2. Multi - weak major or 20-22 HCP

2v Multi - weak - Odd
2. Multi - weak - Colour

2 NT Multi - weak - Rank
3 NT Specific Ace Ask

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



RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS
CONVENTIONS
Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning
Additional responses to 1 NT

| 14 | 1 | 6+ HCP, 4 | 2NT | Flat 10-12 HCP, no 4-card maj |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1 \times 1$ | 6+ HCP, 4 | 3 | Forcing |
|  | 1NT | 8-10 HCP, no other 4-card suit | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 6-7 HCP, no other 4-card suit | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 |  | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 4+ ${ }^{+}$, $5+$ | 3NT | Flat 13-15 HCP, no 4-card majo |
|  | 2 | $4+$ + $5+$ | 4 bids | 4 pre-empt, 4 / to play |
| 1 | 1/1/ | 6+ HCP, 4 | 3 | $4+$ - $5+$ + |
|  | 1 NT | 6-9 HCP, no 4 card or major | 3 | Forcing |
|  | 2. | 10+ HCP, $5+$ | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 6-9 HCP, 4+ - no 4-card majo | 34 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | $4+$ - $5+$ - | 3NT | Flat 13-15 HCP, no 4-card mdj |
|  | 2 | $4+$ + $5+$ | 4* | Pre-empt |
|  | 2NT | Flat 10-12 HCP, no 4-card majerother $4 \checkmark /$ to play |  |  |
| 1/1/ | 1NT | 6-9 HCP, no 4-card major | 3 |  |
|  | 2 | 10+ HCP, 4+ | 3 | $4+\cdots / \pm, 5+$ |
|  | 2 | 10+ HCP, 4+ | 3/4 | Forcing |
|  | 2V/ | 6-9 HCP, 4+ $\mathrm{v}^{\text {/ }}$ | 3NT | 13-15 HCP, 4+ / $^{\text {¢ }}$ |
|  | 2NT | Flat 10-12 or 16+ HCP, 4+ |  | Splinter |
| 24 | 2 other | Negative or waiting bid | 2V/ | Positive with $5+\sim / 4$ |
| 2 | 2 | Pass or correct | 34 |  |
|  | 2 | Game interest in $\downarrow$ | 3 ${ }^{1 / 4}$ | $3 v$ is correctable |
|  | 2NT | Strong enquiry | 3NT | Pass or correct |
| 2V/ | 2NT | Enquiry | 3NT | To play |
|  | 34 | Pass or correct | 4* | Pass or correct |
|  | 3V1/ |  | 4V/ | Pass or correct |
| 2NT | 3 | Pass or bid 3 ${ }^{\circ}$ | 4. |  |
|  | 3 | Pass or bid 3 ${ }^{\circ}$ | 4 |  |
|  | 3 | Enquiry | 4 |  |
|  | 3 |  | 4 |  |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |



## OTHER NOTES



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| 14 | 1 | 0-7 hcp or 16+ balanced | 2NT | 12/13 hcp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1/19 | 11+ hcp 5+ suit | 31 | 8-11 balanced denies 4 vor 4¢ |
|  | 1NT | 8-10hcp with 5 card Major | 3 | 8-11 balanced 4 denies 4 |
|  | 2 | 8+hcp 5+ | 3 | 8-11 balanced 4-denies 4 |
|  | 2 | 8+hcp 5+ | 3 | 8-11 balanced 4* 4 |
|  | 2 | 8-10 4441 shape any singleton | 3NT | 14/15 hcp |
|  | 21 | $11+4441$ shape any singleton | 4 bids | to play |
| 1 | 1/12 | 6+ hcp 4+ suit | 3 | 5+ enon forcing |
|  | 1NT | 6-9(10) hcp bal denies 4 | 3 | $5+$ non forcing |
|  | 20 | 10+hcp 4+edenies 4 vor 4 | 3 | 5+ Pnon forcing |
|  | 2 | 10+hcp 4+ | 3 | 5+ non forcing |
|  | 2* | 6-9 hcp 5+ Ppre-emptive | 3NT | to play |
|  | 21 | 6-9hcp 5+¢pre-emptive | 4 | $5+\diamond$ non forcing |
|  | 2NT | Invitational | 4 Other | pre=emptive |
| 1/1/ | 1NT | 6-9 HCP denies 3 - | 30 | Splinter |
|  | 21 | 10+hcp 4+e | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | 10+hcp 4+ | 311 | 4 card support - non forcing |
|  | 2/1 | 6-9 hcp 3 card support | 3NT | to play |
|  | 2NT | Agrees suit GF Slam Interest | 4* | pre-emptive |
| 2 | 2 | forcing/asking | 2v1 | $5+$ suit non forcing |
|  | other | 5+ suit non forcing |  |  |
| 2 | 29 | correctable | 3\% | non forcing |
|  | 2 | pass or correct | 3/19 | pre-emptive, correctable |
|  | 2NT | forcing asking | 3NT | to play |
| 2V1 | 2NT | forcing/ asking | 3NT | to play |
|  | 3* | 3ecorrectable to | 4* | 4eis Gerber |
|  | 3)1 | pre-emptive | 4V19 | to play |
| 2NT | 31 | to play | 40 | invitational |
|  | 3 | to play | 4 | invitational |
|  | 37 | forcing/asking | 4 | to play |
|  |  | forcing/asking | 4 | to play |
|  | 3NT | to play | other |  |



## OTHER NOTES

## 18 / 19,14 2\%Or 2

Openers response is asking for hcp count ie

## 2v 2 shows 4\& minimum

## $3 \vee$ min with support

$2 N$ - max with support initiates cue bidding 3s13-14hcp 4 no support
3e- min no support
3N 13-14hcp no support denies 4

3-11-12hcp no support

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

GF, single-suiter, support ask
Jump shifts after major opening
Responses to strong 2 suit opening
Responses to 2NT opening
see page 2


## Other Conventions

Direct splinters (double jump shift)
Fit-showing minisplinters (jump above reverse) Precision asking bids: support - controlssuit quality - specific controls

DONT against weak NT:
2C single-suiter
2D diamonds + another ( $5 / 5$ cards)
2 H hearts + spades or clubs
$2 S$ spades + clubs
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## RCO weak twos

4C/4D openings: strong transfers to $4 \mathrm{H} / 4 \mathrm{~S}$
4NT opening: solid minor, $8+$ cards

## COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through 3S(4D) Responsive doubles through 3S
Jump overcalls Intermediate Unusual NT see page 3
1NT overcall (immediate) 15-18CP (re-opening) 15-18CP
Immed cue of minor Both majors, 5/4 cards or better, any strength
Immed cue of major Other major + minor, $5 / 5$ cards or better, any strength
Over opponent's 1NT (weak) DONT - see page 4 (double = penalty)
Over opponent's 1 NT (strong)
Over weak twos (double $=$ single suiter)

Over opening threes
Double $=$ take-out

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| 14 | 1 | Negative, less than 9CP | 2NT | Solid 6+ card suit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 $1 /$ | 9+CP, 5+ cards | 3 | 3-6CP, 7+ cards |
|  | 1NT | " $5+$ club suit | 3 | " |
|  | 2 | " 5+ diamond suit | $3 \vee$ | " |
|  | 2* | 9-11CP, no 5 c. suit, $2+$ contro |  |  |
|  | 2 | 12-14CP, " 3+ " | 3NT | Not used |
|  | 2 | 15+CP, " $4+$ | 4 bids | " |
| 1 | 1 $1 /$ | 7+CP, 4+ cards | 3. | GF, support asking bid |
|  | 1NT | 7-10CP, no 4c major | 3 | <11CP, 4+ card fit, 8(9)LT |
|  | 2 | (10)11+CP, 5+ cards | 3 | Splinter bid |
|  | 2 | " $4+$ card fit | 3. |  |
|  | 2 | GF, support asking bid | 3NT | 13-15CP bal'd, no 4 card majd |
|  | 2 | $16+$ CP, any shape | 4 | Weak, preemptive |
|  | 2NT |  | 4 Other | 4C=splinter, 4H/4S: to play |
| 1V/ | 1NT | 7-10CP, no S suit/support | 3. | GF, support asking bid |
|  | 2 | (10)11+CP, 4+ cards | 3 |  |
|  | 2 |  | 3V/ | <10CP, 3+ card fit, 8LT |
|  | 2/4/ | 5-9CP, 3+ card fit, 9LT | 3NT | 13-15CP, 3+ card fit |
|  | 2NT | 10-12/16+CP, 3+ card fit | 4* | Splinters (also 4H over 1S) |
| 2 | 2 | Enquiry |  | Natural, not forcing |
|  | other | Jump shift: GF, support asking bid |  |  |
| 2* | 2 | Pass/correct | 34 | Natural, forcing |
|  | 2 | (interest in H game $\mathrm{\beta}^{\text {/ } / 4}$ |  | Pass/correct on 3-14-level |
|  | 2NT | Strong enquiry | 3NT | To play |
| 2V/4 | 2NT | Enquiry | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3 | Pass/correct | 4* | Pass/correct |
|  | $3 \mathrm{~W} / 4$ | " | 4V/1 | " |
| 2NT | 3 | Pass/correct | 4 | Pass/correct |
|  | 3 | " | 4 | " |
|  | 3 | " | 4 | " |
|  | 3 | " | 4. | " |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |

Additional responses to 1 NT


## OTHER NOTES

Obligatory re-opening on 2-level when short in opponents' suit. New suit by responder not forcing after opponents double or overcall our opening, als defence (but forcing on 3-level.

Obligatory pause over Preempts or Skip bids.

