BASIC RESPONSES

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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

 MEANINGIS OR REQUIRE SPECIAL DEFENCE

## COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through

| Jump overcalls weak |
| :--- |$\quad$ Responsive doubles through

1NT overcall (immediate)


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## Other Conventions

LM trump ask over 3-level preempts
3NT denies cue in some auctions
Piglet| Kokish | Short Suit Trials
Transfers after 1min-1maj- 1NT
Leaping Michael's

4 \& 4NT swap meanings when $\vee$ trumps
(R)DOP1 to 5 - DEPO 5 -

Cue Raises \& FSJs in competition
Jump rebid at 2-level = minisplinter
The Witch | Blackout | Bourke Relay

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## COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through 4 Responsive doubles through 4
Jump overcalls varies, see insidUnusual NT Meaning varies, see inside 1NT overcall (immediate) varies, see insidæ-opening) 11-14

Immed cue of major Michael's: other maj \& another, $5+/ 5+$ weak/very strong
Over opponent's 1NT (weak) Asptro(with X = penalties - normally 16+)
Over opponent's 1NT (strong) Asptro(with $\mathrm{X}=$ good single suited hand
Over weak twos
Over opening threes Take out doubles with Lebensoh

Take out doubles

| RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning |  |  |  |  |
| 120 | 1 | 4+ cards, 6+HCP | 2NT | 10-12HCP, 3343 |
|  | 19/1 | 4+ cards, 6+HCP | 30 | 5+e, <=6 HCP |
|  | 1NT | 6-9HCP, often 3334 | 3 | Splinter, slam try |
|  | 2 | 4+e, 10+, no 5c major |  | Splinter, slam try |
|  | 2 | 5+e, 6-9HCP |  | Splinter, slam try |
|  | 2 | $6+\bullet$, <8HCP | 3NT | 13-15, 3343 |
|  | 21 | $6+$, <8HCP | 4 bids | ¢pre-empt, $\uparrow=$ void, $\uparrow / \stackrel{\text { c }}{ }$ =nat |
| 1 | 19/4 | 4+cards, 6+HCP |  | $5+$ ¢, 8-9HCP, no major |
|  | 1NT | 6-9HCP, no major |  | $5+\checkmark$, <8HCP |
|  | 20 | 5+ 2 , 10+HCP |  | Splinter, slam try |
|  | 2 | $4+\star$, 10+HCP, no 5c major |  | Splinter, slam try |
|  | 2- | $6+\bullet,<8 \mathrm{HCP}$ |  | 13-15, 3334 |
|  | 21 | $6+$, \ll HCP |  | Preemptive |
|  | 2NT | 10-12HCP, 3334 | 4 Oth | esplinter, $\boldsymbol{\sim} / \mathbf{s}=$ =natural |
| 1 1 / | 1NT | 6-9HCP, denies $\pm$ over $\downarrow$ |  | \&2NT Splinter: <=6 or 7.5-9 |
|  | 20 | 4+cards, $10+\mathrm{HCP}$ | 3 | Splinter <=6 or 7.5-9 losers |
|  | 2 | 4+cards, $10+\mathrm{HCP}$ | 3 l | double raise=pre-emptive |
|  | 2v/s | $6-9 p t s$, normally 3 card supp | 3NT | Splinter. LTC=6.5-7 |
|  | 2NT | \&2¢: Bal 4+support, 6-11/16 | He/ | Swiss Raises |
| 2 | 2 | 0-1 AK points, 0-7HCP |  | 2/3 AK points |
|  | other | $2 \mathrm{NT}=0-1 \mathrm{AK}, 8+\mathrm{HCP}, 3-2=4$ | AK, 3N | T=any solid suit, 4-level=8+cd |
| 2 | 2 | Natural, non-forcing | 30/ | Natural, non-forcing |
|  | 21 | To play | $3 \mathrm{P} / 4$ | Natural, forcing/To play |
|  | 2NT | Enquiry | 3NT | To play |
| 2v/s | 2NT | Enquiry | 3NT | To play |
|  | 30/1 | Natural, non-forcing | 40/ | Natural, forcing |
|  | $3 \times 1$ | Preemptive | $4 \times 1$ | To play |
| 2NT | 36 | Modified Puppet Stayman | 4 | Slam try in $\vee$ |
|  | 3 | Transfer to $\downarrow$ | 4 | Slam try in |
|  | 3 | Transfer to | 4 | To play |
|  | 34 | Both minors | 4 | To play |
|  | 3NT | To play | other | 4/5NT=quantitative |

## Additional responses to 1 NT

3/3 Transfer splinters: shows a singleton or void in the suit above the bid s
3〒/3 Transfer splinters: denies a 5 card major. Tends to be a 3suited type $h$
4. Both majors ( $5+/ 5+$ ), slam interest

4 Both majors ( $5+/ 5+$ ), no slam interest
4 To play
4. To play

Unusual NT: minors $\quad \square \quad$ other suits $\quad \square \quad$ lower 2 unbid suits
other (1min)-2NT shows a big 2-suiter anchored in the non-touching suit. In oth LUBS, weak or very strong
Other slam bidding Cue Bids $\square$ Asking Bids
4th Suit Forcing One round $\quad \square$ Game force
NT Checkback Priorities Puppet \& Transfer system
Defence to $3 N T$ opening Gambling: $4=5+\uparrow, 4+4.4 \uparrow, 5+$
 minor overcall. $2 \Perp / 2 \mathrm{NT}=$ good minor overcall
RCO style 2-s $\quad 1$ st $\mathrm{X}=16+\mathrm{HCP}$, next $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ 2NT ostensibly 16-18HCP balanced
Other 2-s $\quad X=T / O$ (with Leb) over 2's anchored in the suit bid, $2 N T=16-18$ Over strong 2 2 t : $\mathrm{X}=$ =majors, 2NT=minors, other=natural
Defence to strong $\quad X$ shows $16+$ HCP, other $=$ Truscott. After a $1 \diamond$ negative resp all calls=Truscott
Lespitensohl Over NT interference Rubensohl: 3s asks for stopper
Other uses Lebensohl after our X of a weak 2, and in some competitive auctic Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 * X$

4 X
4. $X$

## OTHER NOTES

Over opponent's 1 minor opening: The first 2 jumps show the suit bid and the suit abo $5+/ 4+$ in the lower/higher ranked suits respectively and $0-2$ in the 4 th suit and $6-14 \mathrm{HC}$
$1 \varphi-2$ is a balanced $4+$ cd support raise $6-11 / 16+H C P .1 \varphi-2 N T$ is a splinter in
$1 \vee /-2 \pm / 2 N T$ has a small possibility of containing a singleton $\downarrow / \downarrow$.
$1-3$ and $1-3 N T$ is a splinter in an unspecified suit with LTC=6.5-7


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | 1 | $6+$ | 2NT | 10-12 balanced |
|  | 1 $1 /$ / | 6+ | 30 | invitational, 4+e |
|  | 1NT | 6-10 | 3 | weak 7+ |
|  | 24 | 6-9 4+e | 3 | weak 7+ |
|  | 2 | weak 6 | 31 | weak 7+ |
|  | 2 | weak 6 | 3NT | 13-15 balanced |
|  | 2 | weak 6 | 4 bids | 4 = weak |
| 1 | 1 $1 / 2$ | $6+$ |  | weak 7+e |
|  | 1NT | 6-10 | 3 | invitational 4+ |
|  | 20 | 11+ | $3 \downarrow$ | weak 7+ |
|  | 2 | 6-9 4+ | 34 | weak 7+ |
|  | $2 \downarrow$ | weak 6+ | 3NT | 13-15 balanced |
|  | 21 | weak 6+ | 4 | weak |
|  | 2NT | 10-12 balanced | 4 Othe |  |
| 19/1 | 1NT | 6-10 |  | weak 7+e |
|  | 20 | 11+ | $3$ | weak 7+ |
|  | 2 | 11+ | $3 \mathrm{P} /$ | invitational |
|  | 2v/ | 6-9 3-4 | 3NT | 13-15 balanced |
|  | 2NT | Game-forcing, $4+\sim /$ ceser | 4* | 13+HCP 0-19/4 |
| 26 |  | less than 2 AK controls | $2 \mathrm{l} /$ | 5+ suit, 2+ AK controls |
|  | other | $2 \mathrm{NT}=8+\mathrm{HCP} 2+$ AK con | balance |  |
| 2 | 2 | Forcing for one round |  | Forcing for one round / weak |
|  | 21 | Forcing for one round | $3 v / 4$ | Weak 7+suit |
|  | 2NT | Strong inquiry | 3NT | To play |
| 2v/4 | 2NT | Strong inquiry | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3* | Forcing for one round |  | Weak 7+suit |
|  | 3v/s | Weak | 4 $/ 1$ | To play |
| 2NT | 3 | Stayman | 42 |  |
|  | 3 | Transfer to $\downarrow$ | 4 |  |
|  | 3 | Transfer to | 4 |  |
|  | 3 | Both minors | 4 |  |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |

## Additional responses to 1 NT



RCO style 2-s

Other 2-s

## Defence to strong

| Lebensohl <br> Other uses | Over NT interference $\quad \square$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Take out of 4 level pre-empts | $4 \bullet \times$ |
|  | $4 \vee \times$ |

## OTHER NOTES

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