4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors Preempt Jump raises - Majors Preempt Jump shifts after minor opening All artificial: see inside Jump shifts after Major opening Responses to strong 2 suit open. Responses to 2NT opening

Into M = weak, 6 cards, 3-7 HCP

2♦=waiting, GF; 2♥=neg.; 2♠=5+♠, 2 of AKQ; 2NT=5+♥, 2 of 3

3♣=Pupt Stay.; 3♦/♥=trf to ♥/♠; 3♣=5♠/4♥; 4♣=Gerb.; Texas

		5. P	LAY	CONVENT	IONS	Sho	w priorities
		Versus	Suit	(or both)	Versus	NoTrump	(if different)
Leads Se	quences:	Overlead	d all				
Four or more w	with an honour	4th high	est				
From 4 sma	all	2nd high	est				
From 3 cards	(no honour)	Middle			Тор		
In partner's	suit	Low from	n xxx if	unsupported	Top if no	o honour	
Discards		Odd=En	c.; Evei	n=McKenney			
Count		Low-Hig	jh=Evei	n			
Signal on p	artner's lead:	Low enc	.; low–ł	nigh even			
Signal on d	leclarer's lead:	Reverse	count of	on occasion			
Notes							

6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood X

Cue Bids X

Asking Bids

4. Gerber X when? After 1NT & 2NT opening RKCB 1430 Slam Notes 1st step denies Q, others specific Kings 1st & 2nd indiscriminately

7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Support X to 2 of our suit		1m-(1NT)-2 ♣ =both M				
Lebensohl		Exclusion Keycard, 30/14				
2-way checkback in most 1x-1	y–1z cases	4♣ after pard's preempt=keycard (4♦after				
3rd suit 1-round F after 1m-1X	—2m	Blackout over reverse (cheaper of 4th Suit				
Fit-jumps at 3 level in competit	ion	and NT)				
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STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

ABF Nos.	100	171 V	/ynne Wel	bber						
& Names:	2642	210 J	udy Bills							
Basic System:	2/1 \	with trans	fer respon	ses	to 1뢒					
Brown Sticker		Classific	ation: G	reen		Blue		Red X	Yellow	
	(1. OP	ΕN	JING	BIDS	3			
Describe streng	gth, mir	nimum leng	th, or spec	ific m	neaning				Canape	
14 10-21; 2+	🛧 (all	Bal. 11-14	4)		1♥	10-21; 5-	+♥			
1 10-21; 2+	🔶 (all I	Bal. 18–19))		1♠	10-21; 5-	+♠			
1NT (14)15–	17							may contain 5 c	ard Major	Χ
1NT Responses	24	Simple St	ayman							
2♦ Trf ♥					2	Trf 뢒				
2♥ Trf 🛧					2NT	Trf 🔶				
other 3♣=b	oth m;	3♦=both	M, slam tr	y; 3N	M=30M	, 5/4 min	ors, G	F		
24 Strong, 2	2+ Bal	. or GF ur	nbalanced							
2 Bad weal	c 2 in M	Major (3–7	7 HCP)							
2♥ 6♥, 8–10										
2 6 4, 8-10										
2NT 20-21 B	al. (5N	1 possible)		3NT	solid 7+	m, no	outside A o	r K	
other 4NT=bot	th m, 6	6+/5+, less	s than ope	ning	streng	lth				
	(2. PF	RE	-ALE	RTS				
Transfer resp	onses	s to 1 뢒			All E	3al. 11–14	4 open	1♣		
2+=bad weal	k two ii	n Major			All E	3al. 18–19	9 open	1♦		
Tfer response	es ove	r opp's t/c	х							
	(3. COI	ΛΡΕΤΙΤΙ	VE	BIDS	/ OVEF	RCAL	LS		
Negative doubles the	nrough	All	Jump overc	alls	weak,	except in	nterme	diate when	re-openi	ing
Responsive double	s through	All	Unusual	NT	5/5 lov	ver unbid	l suits			
1NT overcall - imme	ediate	15–18 (S	sys. on)	Imn	nediate cu	e of minor	5/5 M	ajors		
1NT overcall - re-op	pening	11–14 (S	sys. on)	Imn	nediate cu	ie of Major	5/5, o	ther M + mi	nor	
Over weak twos	X+Leb	.; Leaping	Michaels		Over oper	ning threes	X, no	n-leaping M	ichaels	
Over opponent's 1N	T 24	e=♥& ♠; 2•	●=6+M; 2N	∕I=5-	+M&4+	m; 2NT=	minors	6		
Constructive	over w	veak NT								
Over strong I	NT (16	in range)	X=4M&5r	m; o	ver wea	ak NT (16	6 not ir	n range) X=	penalties	S

	8. RESPO	NS	ES TO OPENIN	IG	BIDS
	Describe stre	ngth,	minimum length, or specific	c mea	aning
1♣ 1♦	4+ ♥, 4+ HCP	2�	5+ ♦, no M, GF	3�	5+ ♣, Spl. 10–14
1 🎔	4+ ♠, 4+	2 💙	6+♥, 3-7	3 🧡	5 + ♣ , Spl., 10–14
1♠	Bal.no M/5+♦,4+M,GF	2	6+ 🛧, 3-7	3♠	5 + ♣ , Spl., 10–14
1NT	10–12 Bal., no 4 M	2NT	5+ 🛧, 8–11	3NT	13–15 Bal.
2♣	5+ ♣, GF	3♣	5+ 🛧, preempt (2-7)	4	N/A
other	4♥/♠ to play; 4NT simp	le Bla	ackwood		
1♦ 1♥	4+ ♥, 4+ HCP	2♥	3–7, 6+ 💙	3 💙	5+ ♦, Spl. 10–14
1♠	4+ 🛧, 4+	2	3-7, 6+ 🛧	3♠	5+ ♦, Spl., 10–14
1NT	5–9 no M	2NT	10–12, no M	3NT	13–15, Bal.
2♣	5+ 🛧, 11+	3♣	5+ 🔶, 8–11	4	5+ ♦, Spl., 10–14
2🔶	4+ ♦, GF	3�	5+ +, preempt	4�	N/A
other	4♥/♠ to play, 4NT simp	le Bla	ackwood		
1♥ 1♠	4+ ♠, 4+ HCP	2 💙	3♥, 4-9	3�	3 ♥, limit raise
1NT	Semi-forcing, 5-11	2	4+♥, 4-9/13+, any Spl.	3 💙	4+ ♥, 3-6, preempt
2♣	GF: 🛧, Bal. or relay	2NT	4+ ♥, 10+(then Swed.)	3♠	4+ ♥, 10–12, any Spl.
2�	5+ ♦, GF	3♣	4+ ♥, 6-9, no shortage	3NT	4 + ♥ , void ♠, 10–14
other	4m=void Spl., 10-14; 4	=Pr	e, 4 ≜ =Excl. KCB; 4NT=s	imple	e Blackwood
1 ♠ 1NT	Semi-forcing, 5–11	2♠	3 🛧, 4-9	3♥	3 🛧, limit raise
2♣	GF: 🛧, Bal. or relay	2NT	4+ ♠, 4-9/13+, any Spl.	3♠	4+ 🛧, 3-6, preempt
2🔶	5+ ♦, GF	3♣	4+ ♠, 10+(then Swed.)	3NT	4+ ♠, 10–12, any Spl.
2 💙	5+ ♥, GF	3�	4+ ♠, 6-9 no shortage	4	4+ ♠, void ♣, 10–14
other	4♦=void Spl.; 4♥=void S	Spl.;	4 ≜ =preempt; 4NT=simpl	e Bla	ackwood
1NT 3♣	Both m, 5/5, GF	3♠	1-3-(5-4) GF	4�	Trf to 💙
3�	Both M, 5/5, slammish	3NT	To play	4♥	Trf to 🛧
3 🧡	3-1-(5-4) GF	4	Gerber	4	N/A
other					
24 2	Waiting, GF	2NT	5+ ♥, 2 of AKQ	3 💙	6+ ♥, not 2 of AKQ
2 🧡	Neg. No A, K or 2Q	3♣	5+ 🛧, 2 of AKQ	3♠	6+ 🛧, not 2 of AKQ
2♠	5+ 🛧, 2 of AKQ	3�	5+ 🔶, 2 of AKQ	3NT	Any AKQxxx
other					
2 2 2	Pass or correct	34	To play, NF	3♠	Pass or correct
2♠	Pass or correct	3�	To play, NF	3NT	To play
2NT	*Forcing enquiry	3♥	Pass or correct	4	Trf me to your M
other	4♦=bid your M; 4M=to p	olay			

2 3 ot 2♠ 2 3 3	2NT 3 ♣ ther 2NT	Enquiry (Swedish) Nat, NF 4NT=Keycard ♥	3♥ 3♠	preempt To play	4 ♣ 4♥	To play
3 ot 2 2 3 3	3 ther 2NT	Nat, NF 4NT=Keycard ♥	3♠	To play	4 💙	To play
ot 2 1 2 3 3	ther 2NT	4NT=Keycard ♥				
2 ♠ 2 3 3	2NT					
3		Enquiry (Swedish)	3♥	Nat, NF	4	
3	3 -	Nat, NF	3♠	preempt	4 💙	To play
•	3	Nat, NF	3NT	To play	4	To play
ot	ther	4NT=Keycard				
2NT 3	3	Puppet Stayman	3	5/4 ♠/♥	4�	Texas (6+ 💙)
3	3	Trf ♥	3NT	To play	4 💙	Texas (6+ 🌢)
3	3♥	Trf ♠	4 🗭	Gerber	4	N/A
ot	ther	4NT=Quant.				
		9	. C	ONVENTIONS		
Jnus	ual	NT: Lower 2 unbid sui	ts			
4th S	uit l	Forcing One round				Game force
	hec	kback X Priorities:	2 ♣ f	orces 2♦; 2♦=GF		
Defer	nce	to 3NT opening 4+=b	oth N	1		
Defer	nce	to Opening Twos X=T	7/0 w	ith Lebensohl		
Multi	i 2🔶	X=13-15 bal.; 2N	T = 1	6–18 bal.; otherwise nat	ural	
RCO) styl	e 2-s X=15+				
Othe	er 2-s	;				
Defe	nce	(1♣) : X=♦ or ♥+♠; ♦=	=♥ or	≜+♣ ; ♥ = ≜ or ♣+♦ ; NT=0	odds	
to		(also after 1♣-1♦)				
stro	na	(2♣) : As above (also	after	2♣-2♦)		
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	1 NIT	Interforence Lebense	hl			
	nco	hill other uses	X of v	veak 2s + other 2-level X	(c	
Taka	0.1150	of 4 lovel pro empto			.0	
Take	้อนเ	V_{-2} quited: $4NT_{-2}$ quite	ad a			2 quited
4		$^{=3}$ Suiled, 4NT=2 Suile	eu		+1 N I =	
			J. C	THER NOTES		
		nace are indicative and				

Notes *3♣ = min. ♥; 3♦ = min. ♠; 3♥ = Max. ♥; 3♠ = Max. ♠