4. BASIC RESPONSES Jump raises - minors Inverted Other: 5-9 hcpts; 5+raise Other: 5-7 hcpts; 4+raise Jump raises - Majors Preempt Weak at 2-level; GF splinters at 3-level Jump shifts after minor opening Jump shifts after Major opening Bergen style jumps showing 4+ support Responses to strong 2 suit open. n/a 3♣ = Puppet Stayman; 3♦/♥ = transfers; 3♠ = minors Responses to 2NT opening **Show priorities** 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Versus NoTrump Versus Suit (or both) (if different) Leads Sequences: Overlead All Overlead All Four or more with an honour 4th highest 4th highest 2nd highest 2nd highest From 4 small From 3 cards (no honour) Middle Middle low from an Hon low from an Hon In partner's suit Odd=Enc., Even=McKenney Odd=Enc., Even=McKenney **Discards** Low-High = Even Low-High = EvenCount Signal on partner's lead: Low Encouraging Low Encouraging Reverse count Signal on declarer's lead: **Notes** Odd-Even signal only on the first discard We often use trumps and declarer's first played NT suit for suit preference K =count; A = attitude after all pre-empts and any 5+level 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS **RKCB 1430** 4♣ Gerber Blackwood when? 4NT: Slam Notes minorwood 4♦ after minor suit agreement Cue Bids First or secound round control Asking Bids 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS Support doubles to 2-level Lebensohl Cue raises in competition 4th suit = artificial GF 2-over-1 = GF Jacoby 2NT (15+) over 1M Ghestem (2-suiter overcalls) Inverted minor raises Forcing 1NT over 1M 2-way Drury Most artificial bids are off in competition www.abf.com.au So all suit jumps are natural pre-emptive PDF Form Rev. 13F21 by RoL MyRev. Exception: splinters in their suit Copyright © ABF 2013



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		STA	NDARD	SYS	STEM	CAI	RD			
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Basic Syst	em: Stan	dard 2-ove	r-1							
Brown Stic	ker	Classificat	ion: Gree	en 🗶	Blue		Red	Yellow		
			1. OPE	NIN	G BID	S				
Describe s	trength, mir	nimum leng	th, or specific	meanii	ng			Canape		
14 11-20	; 3+			1	11-20; 5	+				
1 11-20	; 3+			14	11-20; 5	+				
1NT 15-1	7						may contain 5 c	ard Major	X	
1NT Respo	onses 2 4	5-Major e	nquiry		Other:					
2 ♦ Tı	ransfer to H	earts		2	♠ Transfe	er to Cl	ubs			
2 ♥ Tı	ransfer to S	pades		2	2NT Transfer to Diamonds					
other										
2♣ Game	Force (with	n arificial re	esponses)							
2 Weak	two 6-10 h	cpts in eith	er Major or 20)-22 Bal	anced					
2 ♥ 5-Hea	arts and 4+n	ninor; 6-10	hcpts							
2 ♠ 5-Spa	ides and 4+	minor; 6-1	0 hcpts							
2NT 55+1	both minors	; 6-10 hcpt	S	3N	IT Minor s	uit pre-	empt			
other										
			2. PRI	E-AL	ERTS					
			MPETITIV			RCA	LLS			
Negative doubles through 4 **		Jump overcalls								
					Two-lower suits					
1NT overcall - immediate 15-18						Ghestem (2m, 2NT and 3♣)				
	1NT overcall - re-opening 12-14				nmediate cue of Major Ghestem (2M, 2NT and 3♣)				·)	
	X = T/C				pening threes					
			trong 1NT an							
DONT: X=	= 1-suiter; 2	🗣 = C+hig	her; 2♦ = D+	Major; 2	^{2♥} = Major	s; 2🛊 =	Spades; 2NT	= wild 2	-suiter	

HAMLTN: X= penalty; 2♠ = 1-suiter; 2♦ = Majors; 2M = 5M + minor; 2NT = minors

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

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1♣ 1♦	natural 4+	2	weak 4-7 hcpts	3	GF splinter
1♥	natural 4+	2	weak 4-7 hcpts	3	GF splinter
14	natural 4+	2	weak 4-7 hcpts	3♠	GF splinter
1N7	6-10 no Major	2NT	11-12 no Major	3NT	13-15 no Major
2	inverted 10+ hcpts	3♣	inverted 5-9 hcpts	4	pre-emptive
othe	Criss-cross minor raises b	y Pas	ssed hand		
1♦ 1♥	natural 4+	2	weak 4-7 hcpts	3 💙	GF splinter
1♠	natural 4+	2	weak 4-7 hcpts	3 ^	GF splinter
1N7	6-10 no Major	2NT	11-12 no Major	3NT	13-15 no Major
2	natural GF; 4+	3♣	natural NF 9-11 hcpts	4	GF splinter
2	inverted 10+hcpts	3	inverted 5-9 hcpts	4	pre-emptive
othe	Criss-cross minor raises b	y Pas	ssed hand		
 1♥ 1♠	natural	2	6-9 hcpts 3-card raise	3	mini or void splinter
1N7	F1; 5-11 hcpts; BART	2	Artificial 4+ H-raise	3 Y	6-7 hcpts 4-card raise
24	natural GF	2NT	Jacoby 4+raise 15+ hcpts	3 ♠	GF splinter
2	natural GF	3 -	mini or void splinter	3NT	12-14 hcpts bal. 4+raise
othe	er 4♣/♦ = GF splinters 10-13 hcpts; void splinters = 10-13 hcpts				
1 ♠ 1N7	F1; 5-11 hcpts; BART	2	6-9 hcpts 3-card raise	3 💙	mini or void splinter
2	natural GF; 4+	2NT	Jacoby 4+raise 15+ hcpts	3♠	5-7 hcpts 4-card raise
2	natural GF; 4+	3 ♣	Artificial 4+ S-raise	3NT	12-14 hcpts bal. 4+raise
2	natural GF; 5+	3	mini or void splinter	4	GF splinter
othe	r 4♦/♥ = GF splinters; min	i splin	iter = 7-9 hcpts; void splinte	rs =	10-13 hcpts
1NT 3 ♣	natural slam interest	3	natural slam interest	4	Texas transfer to 4♠
3	natural slam interest	3NT	to play	4	to play
3	natural slam interest	4 ♣	Texas transfer to 4♥	4	to play
othe	r				
2♣ 2♦	5-8 any w/o good suit	2NT	5-8 with some good suit	3 💙	9+pts; good ♠ suit
2	0-4 any	3♣	9+ pts; good ♦ suit	3 ^	9+pts; good ♣suit
2	9+ any w/o good suit	3	9+pts; good ♥ suit	3NT	
othe	9+ hands force to 4NT; A	ter 2	♣-2NT: 3♣ = relay asks Re	spor	nder to transfer
2♦ 2♥	P/C	3♣	natural 1-round force	3♠	P/C
	P/C	3	natural 1-round force		to play
2N7	Strong enquiry	3 Y	P/C	4	
			/S; 3 ♥ /3♠ = max H/S		

2	2	Natural NF	3	Invitation to 4	3NT	to play
	2NT	Asks for Opener's minor	3 Y	Not invitational	4	GF Splinter
	3 -	15-17; no Heart fit	3♠	Natural GF	4	To play
	other	After 2♥-2NT: 3m any bid	bid by Responder is GF			
2	2NT	Asks for Opener's minor	3 Y	Natural NF	4♣	GF splinter
	3 -	15-17; no Spade fit	3♠	Not invitational	4	GF splinter
	3◆	Invitation to 4♠	3NT	to play	4	To play
	other	After 2♠-2NT: 3m any bid	by R	esponder is GF		
2NT	3♣	To play	3♠	Natural Inv.	4	Natural Inv.
	3◆	To play	3NT	to play	4	To play
	3	GF relay	4	Natural Inv.	4	To play
	other					

9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT	Lower 2 unbid suits Other = Ghestem							
4th Suit Fo	Game force X							
NT Checkback Priorities: 2♣ = invitational (puppet to 2♠); 2♠>2NT = transfers								
Defence to 3NT opening All suits natural; X = strong balanced								
Defence to	Opening Twos X = T/O							
Multi 2	X = 13-15 bal or 16+ unbal; 2NT = 15-18; suits = natural; Pass then X = T/0 12-15							
RCO style 2-s	as above							
Other 2-s								
Defence 1	▶ : X/1♦/1NT = RCOs; 1♥/1♠ = natural; jumps = weak							
to A	Also after (1♣)-P-(1♦): X/1NT/2♣ = RCOs; 1♥/1♠ = natural							
strong 2	2♣: natural overcalls							
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Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl

Lebensohl - other uses After (2A)-X-(P); (1NT)-X-(2A); (1A)-1NT-(2B)

Take out of 4 level pre-empts

4♣/4**♦** X = T/O

4M V T/O

4 X = 170 4 X = cards

4**♥** X = T/O

10. OTHER NOTES

- 1. After inverted minors: 2NT/3m = sign-off; all other = GF
- 2. Some forcing Pass situations at high level after Opponents pre-empt
- 3. 4♣/4♦ openings = Namyats
- 4. 2NT = Blackout after Opener's reverse (forces 3♣ if Opener is 15-18)
- 5. 1m-1M:2M-2NT = GF enquiry