## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

## Jump raises - minors Preempt 3-8 HCP ATV, 6+ cards in clubs

## Jump raises - Majors Preempt 0-7 HCP, 4+ cards

Jump shifts after minor opening $2 \boldsymbol{\imath}=6$ card minor inv. $3 \boldsymbol{=}=6$ card inv. $2 \mathrm{M}=$ strong ( 3 types)

Jump shifts after Major opening
Responses to strong 2 suit open.
Responses to 2NT opening
Natural invites except 14-3定
$2 \boldsymbol{2}$ waiting, $2 \mathrm{M}=$ positive $5+$ cards, $2 \mathrm{NT} / 3 \boldsymbol{2}=$ positive minor
$3 \%=M$ enquiry, $3 \diamond / M=T F R, 3=$ puppet (minors)

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Show priorities

|  | Versus Suit (or both) | Versus $\quad$ NoTrump (if different) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Leads $\quad$ Sequences: | Overlead, A-Attitude K-Count | Overlead All, except (1) and (2) |
| Four or more with an honour | 3rd/Low | 4th highest |
| From 4 small | 3rd highest | 2nd highest |
| From 3 cards (no honour) | Bottom (top if already shown 3) | Middle/Top |
| In partner's suit | as above | as above |
| Discards | Low Encourage | 1:Count (Suit pref.) 2: Low enc |
| Count | Low-High = Even | Low-High = Even |
| Signal on partner's lead: | 1:Low Enc. 2: Count 3: Suit Pref | 1: Low Enc. 2: Count 3: Suit Pref |

Signal on declarer's lead: 1: Count 2: Suit Pref (incl. trumps) 1: Count, 2: Suit Pref 3; Smith
Notes NT: Smith Peter position when honour beaten by honour+2.

1) Lead promises next or wants to see it. e.g. AKJT : lead $K$ for unblock
2) Lead the 9 from Q109x.. A109x.. A987..

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood X
RKCB 3041
4\% Gerberwhen?

## Slam Notes EKC responses: $0-3,1,1+Q, 2,2+Q$

Cue Bids X
Asking Bids

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Leaping Michaels
(Good) Bad 2NT in competition
Splinter in 4th suit $=$ splinter in 1st
Rubinsohl
Jump Fits in competition
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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD



2\% Strong; 22+ Bal, 8.5 playing tricks M or game force
2 Multi : weak Major OR strong Acol two type in diamonds
2】 Multi : 5+ \& 4+m, always 5-5 Vul. (7)8-10(11) HCP
2A Multi : 5+ \& 4+m, always 5-5 Vul, (7)8-10(11) HCP
2NT 20-21(22) 3NT Good PRE or PRE


## 2. PRE-ALERTS

Multi 2 $\downarrow$, 3NT, 4 4 see above
14-3 4 card raise
$1 \mathrm{M}-2$ GF or 3 card raise 10-12
12-2 minor invite
3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

| Negative doubles through | $4 \checkmark$ | Jump overcalls | Weak |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Responsive doubles through | 4 | Unusual NT | Lower two suits |  |
| 1NT overcall - immediate | 15-18 |  | Immediate cue of minor | Majors |
| 1NT overcall - re-opening | 11-14 / 13-16 (M) |  | Immediate cue of Major | oM+m |
| Over weak twos 2NT 15 | -18, T/O | X with leb. | Over opening threes | T/O X |

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

| 1\% 1 | 5+ HCP, 3+ | 2 | 8-11 HCP minor invite | 3 | 5-9 HCP nat. PRE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 4+ HCP, 4+ | $2 \downarrow$ | Strong 3 way | $3 \vee$ | 5-9 HCP nat. PRE |
| 14 | 4+ HCP, 4+ | 24 | Strong 3 way | 34 | 5-9 HCP nat. PRE |
| 1NT | 8-10 HCP | 2NT | 4-8/12+ HCP 5-5 m | 3NT | 12-14 HCP 3334 soft |
| 240 | 10+ 4+ | $3 \%$ | 3-8 HCP (ATV) 6+ | 40 | PRE |
| other 4NT = Blackwood |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1-10$ | 4+ HCP 4+ | $2 \downarrow$ | Strong 3 way | 30 | 5-9 HCP nat. PRE |
| 14 | 4+ HCP 4+ | 24 | Strong 3 way | 34 | 5-9 HCP nat. PRE |
| 1NT | 6-11 HCP | 2NT | 7-9/16+ HCP 4+ | 3NT | 12-14 HCP 3343 soft |
| $2 \%$ | GF $4+$ | $3 \%$ | 9-11 HCP nat. 6+\% | 4\% | 6-8 HCP nat. PRE |
| 2 | 10+ 4+ | 3 | 3-7 HCP 4+ | 4 | PRE |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1 \times 14$ | 4+ HCP 4+ | $2 \downarrow$ | 7-10 HCP $3+\boldsymbol{v}$ | 3 | 9-11 HCP 6+ |
| 1NT | 6-11 HCP | 24 | 8+ HCP $\quad 4+\bullet(1)$ | $3 \checkmark$ | 0-6 HCP $4+\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{*}$ |
| 24 | GF or 3c limit raise | 2NT | GF $4+\stackrel{+}{\text { (1) }}$ | 34 | GF any JF $4+\cup$ |
| 2 | GF 4+ | 380 | 9-11 HCP 6+ | 3NT | weak JF with $4+\boldsymbol{\square}$ |
| other $4 \mathrm{~m}=$ weak JF, 4 $=$ natural to play |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 1NT | 6-11 HCP | 24 | 7-10 HCP 3+4 | 39 | 9-11 HCP 6+ |
| 24 | GF or 3c limit raise | 2NT | 8+ HCP 4+ (1) | 34 | 0-6 HCP 4+ |
| 2 | GF $4+$ | 30 | GF 4+ (1) | 3NT | GF any JF $4+$ |
| 2 | GF $5+\downarrow$ | 3 | 9-11 HCP 6+ | 4\% | weak JF with or ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
| other 4 = weak JF, 4 = natural weak |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1NT 3\% | Puppet stayman | 34 | shortage | 4 | TFR to spades |
| 3 | shortage in a minor | 3NT | to play | 4 | To Play |
| $3 \sim$ | shortage | 4\% | TFR to hearts | 4, | To Play |
| other 5M = slam invite with good suit, 2 KCs and at least two outside kings to protect. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 240 2 | Waiting | 2NT | Positive | $3 \downarrow$ | 6-7 HCP semi-solid $\downarrow$ |
| 2 | Positive ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 30 | Positive | 34 | 6-7 HCP semi-solid |
| 21 | Positive | 3 | 6-7 HCP semi-solid m | 3NT | any solid suit |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 - 20 | P/C (2) | 3\% | Natural NF | 34 | invite $6+$ |
| 21 | P/C (2) | 3 | $\checkmark$ invite 6+V | 3NT | To play |
| 2NT | Enquiry | $3 \downarrow$ | PRE P/C | 4\% | Please TFR to M |
| other | $4 \checkmark$ bid M please, 4 | = to | play. |  |  |

## Notes

| 2-24 | Nat NF (constructive) | 3 | Nat NF | 6+ | 3NT | To play |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT | Enquiry | 30 | PRE | 3/4 | 490 | Splinter |
| $3 \%$ | P/C | 34 | Strong | $6+$ | 4 | To play |
| other 4 = Splinter, $4=$ to play |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { 2A } 2 N T \\ 34 \\ 3 \\ \text { other } \end{gathered}$ | Enquiry | 30 | Nat NF (constructive) |  | 4\% | Splinter |
|  | P/C | 34 | PRE | 3/4 | 4 | To play |
|  | Nat NF 6+ | 3NT | To play |  | 40 | To pay |
|  | 4 = Splinter |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2NT 30\% | Major enquiry | 34 | Puppet to 3NT |  | 4 | TFR to hearts |
| 3 | TFR to hearts | 3NT | To play |  | 4 | TFR to spades |
| 30 | TFR to spades | 4\% | 5-5 Ms invite |  | 4N | Ace ask: 1,2,3,4 |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: Lower 2 unbid suits
4th Suit Forcing One round $\square$ Game force $X$

NT Checkback X Priorities: 2ヶ= puppet to 2 , 2 = GF
Defence to $3 N T$ opening If gambling type: $X=P E N, 4 \%=M s, 4=1 M, 4 M=5+M+m$ Defence to Opening Twos X - T/O, LM, 2NT=15-18, Cue stopper ask.
 RCO style 2-s $\quad X=$ Values
Other 2-s $\quad \mathrm{X}$-T/O and natural bids.
Defence $\mathrm{X}-\mathrm{Ms}, 1 \mathrm{NT}=\mathbf{+}+\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=\boldsymbol{\mathrm { V }}+\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors, other natural.
to
strong over $2 \boldsymbol{2}: \mathrm{X}=\mathrm{Ms}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=+\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{NT}=\boldsymbol{\top}+\mathrm{m}, 4 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors, other natural.
\&
Over 1NT Interference Rubinsohl, X- T/O of natural bids, $x=3-3$ in Ms over both Ms.
Lebensohl - other uses Modified Lebensohl over weak twos.
Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 \boldsymbol{\omega} / 4 \quad \mathrm{X}$ - T/O
4V X - T/O, 4NT= minors
4A $X-T / O, 4 N T=$ two suiter.

## 10. OTHER NOTES

1) Split range; four card raises.
2) Can contain a strong hand with that suit. Suit must be almost solid.
