

4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors	Preempt	Other:
Jump raises - Majors	Preempt	Other:
Jump shifts after minor opening	1♣:2♦=GF 5+♦ 1♣:2♥/♠ & 1♦: 2♥/♠=3-7 6+, 3♣=5+♦ 8-11	
Jump shifts after Major opening	All artificial raises see inside	
Responses to strong 2 suit open.	2♦=Waiting GF, 2♥=Neg denies A/K/QQ, 2N=5+♥ AK/AQ/KQ	
Responses to 2NT opening	3♣=Stayman, 3♦/♥=TRF, 3♠=puppet to 3NT, 4♣=♥&♠, Texas	

5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Show priorities

	Versus Suit (or both)	Versus NoTrump (if different)
Leads Sequences:	Overlead All	
Four or more with an honour	3rd/5th	4th highest
From 4 small	3rd highest	2nd highest
From 3 cards (no honour)	Bottom	Middle
In partner's suit	As Above	As Above
Discards	Odd=Enc., Even=McKenney	Odd=Enc., Even=McKenney
Count	Low-High = Even	Low-High = Even
Signal on partner's lead:	Low Encourage, Low-High=Even	Low Encourage, Low/High=Even
Signal on declarer's lead:	Low-High=Even	
Notes	Against NT high/low in first suit played by declarer shows dislike for opening lead, unless count is more important. Against suit contracts signals in the trump suit are suit preference.	

6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RKCB 1430	4♣ Gerber <input type="checkbox"/> when? After NT opening
Slam Notes	First step denies Q, otherwise specific Ks, Minorwood, Kickback	
Cue Bids <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1st and 2nd round indiscriminately	
Asking Bids <input type="checkbox"/>		

7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Support Xs to 2 of our suit	1m-(1NT)-2♣ = Both majors
Lebensohl	
2 way checkback in all 1X-1Y-1Z auctions	
3rd suit forcing after 1m-1X-2m	
Blackout over reverses	

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STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

ABF Nos.	493708	Ann PATON
& Names:	161871	Hugh GROSVENOR
Basic System:	2/1 with Transfer Responses over 1♣	
Brown Sticker <input type="checkbox"/>	Classification:	Green <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/>

1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning		Canape <input type="checkbox"/>
1♣ 10-21, 2+♣ (all 11-14 BAL)	1♥ 10-21, 5+♥	
1♦ 10-21, 2+♦ (all 18-19 BAL)	1♠ 10-21, 5+♠	
1NT (14)15-17	may contain 5 card Major <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
1NT Responses	2♣ Simple Stayman	Other:
2♦ TRF ♥	2♠ Range Enquiry or ♣ GF	
2♥ TRF ♠	2NT ♣ weak or ♦ GF or 55 MAJ slam try +	
other		
2♣ Strong, 22+BAL or GF UNBAL		
2♦ Bad 'weak 2' in either major 3-7, 5 or 6 card suit		
2♥ 8-10, 6♥		
2♠ 8-10, 6♠		
2NT 20-21 BAL (5 MAJ possible)	3NT 7+ card MAJ with some defence	
other 4NT/5NT=minors others natural		

2. PRE-ALERTS

Transfer responses to 1♣	All BAL 18-19 without 5M open 1♦
Transfers in competition	
All BAL 11-14 without 5M open 1♣	

3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through	4♠	Jump overcalls	Weak
Responsive doubles through	4♠	Unusual NT	5-5 Lower Unbid suits any strength
1NT overcall - immediate	15-18	Immediate cue of minor	5-5 Majors any strength
1NT overcall - re-opening	12-16	Immediate cue of Major	5-5 Other Major + minor any STR
Over weak twos	X+Lebensohl, Leaping Michaels	Over opening threes	X, Non-leaping Michaels
Over opponent's 1NT	2♣=♥ & ♠, 2♦=♥ OR ♠, 2♥=5+♥ & 4+minor, 2♠=5+♠ & 4+minor,		
2NT=♣ & ♦.	Over Strong NT (16 in range) X = 4 card Major and 5+ minor. Over Weak NT (16 not in range) X=Penalties.		

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

1♣ 1♦ 4+♥, 4+	2♦ 5+♦ no 4M GF	3♦ 5+♣, SPL (10-14)
1♥ 4+♠, 4+	2♥ 6+♥ 3-7	3♥ 5+C, SPL (10-14)
1♠ BAL no MAJ, or 5+♦	2♠ 6+♠ 3-7	3♠ 5+♣, SPL (10-14)
1NT 10-12 BAL no 4 MAJ	2NT 5+♣ 8-11	3NT 13-15 BAL, no 4 MAJ
2♣ 5+♣ GF	3♣ 5+♣, PRE (2-7)	4♣ PRE
other 4♥/♠=To play, 4N=Simple Blackwood		
1♦ 1♥ 3+♥ (see Other Notes)	2♥ 3-7, 6♥	3♥ 5+♦, SPL (10-14)
1♠ 3+♠ (See Other Notes)	2♠ 3-7, 6♠	3♠ 5+♦, SPL (10-14)
1NT 5-11 no 4 MAJ	2NT 10-12 BAL, no 4 MAJ	3NT 13-15 BAL, no 4 MAJ
2♣ 5+♣, 11+	3♣ 5+♦, 8-11	4♣ 5+♦, SPL (10-14)
2♦ 4+♦, GF	3♦ 5+♦, PRE (2-7)	4♦ PRE
other 4♥/♠=To play, 4N=Simple Blackwood		
1♥ 1♠ 4+♠, 4+	2♥ 3+♥, 4-9	3♦ 3♥, Limit Raise
1NT Semi-Forcing 5-11	2♠ 4+♥, 4-9 or 12+ any SPL	3♥ 4+♥, PRE (0-5)
2♣ GF ♣ or BAL or Relay	2NT 4+♥, 10+	3♠ 4+♥, 9-12 any SPL
2♦ 5+♦, GF	3♣ 4+♥, 5-9 no shortness	3NT 4+♥, ♠ void 10-14
other 4m=void SPL 10-14, 4♥=PRE, 4♠=Exclusion KCB, 4N=Simple Blackwood		
1♠ 1NT Semi-Forcing 5-11	2♠ 3+♠, 4-9	3♥ 3♠, Limit Raise
2♣ GF ♣ or BAL or Relay	2NT 4+♠, 4-9 or 12+ any SPL	3♠ 4+♠, PRE (0-5)
2♦ 5+♦, GF	3♣ 4+♠, 10+	3NT 4+♠, 9-12 any SPL
2♥ 5+♥, GF	3♦ 4+♠, 5-9 no shortness	4♣ 4+♠, void ♣ 10-14
other 4♦=void SPL, 4♥=void SPL, 4♠=PRE, 4N=Simple Blackwood		
1NT 3♣ Weak ♦ or various GF	3♠ 1-3-(5-4) GF	4♦ TRF ♥
3♦ 5-5 minors slam try +	3NT To Play	4♥ TRF ♠
3♥ 3-1-(5-4) GF	4♣ 5-5 majors game only	4♠ 2335 ♣ QUANT
other 4N=2353 ♦ QUANT		
2♣ 2♦ Waiting GF	2NT 5+♥, 2+ of AKQ	3♥ 6♥ not 2/3 of AKQ
2♥ Negative no A/K not 2xQ	3♣ 5+♣, 2+ of AKQ	3♠ 6♠ not 2/3 of AKQ
2♠ 5+♠, 2+ of AKQ	3♦ 5+♦, 2+ of AKQ	3NT AKQxxx any
other 4♣=Sets ♣, 4♦=Sets ♦		
2♦ 2♥ Pass or correct	3♣ To play	3♠ Pass or correct
2♠ Pass or correct	3♦ To play	3NT To play
2NT Shape and range ask	3♥ Pass or correct	4♣ Requests TFR to M
other 4♦: Asks for M, 4M=to play		

Notes

2♥ 2♠ Nat F	3♦ Nat F	3NT To play
2NT Asks for Singleton	3♥ To play	4♣ Keycard Ask
3♣ Nat F	3♠ SPL	4♥ To play
other 4NT=Keycard for ♥		
2♠ 2NT Asks for Singleton	3♥ Nat F	4♣ Keycard Ask
3♣ Nat F	3♠ To play	4♥ SPL
3♦ Nat F	3NT To play	4♠ To play
other 4NT Keycard		
2NT 3♣ Stayman	3♠ Forces 3NT	4♦ Texas, 6+♥
3♦ TRF ♥	3NT To play	4♥ Texas, 6+♠
3♥ TRF ♠	4♣ Majors 5-5	4♠ 2335 ♣ slam try +
other 4NT Quantitative		

9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT:	Lower 2 unbid suits
4th Suit Forcing	One round <input type="checkbox"/> Game force <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NT Checkback	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Priorities: 2♣ forces 2♦, 2♦ GF
Defence to 3NT opening	4♣=Both Majors
Defence to Opening Twos	X=T/O, Leaping Michaels (bid minor+♥ if suit unknown)
Multi 2♦	X=13-15 BAL or good hand in direct position, subsequent X=TO, 2NT=16-18 BAL
RCO style 2-s	X=15+
Other 2-s	
Defence to	1♣ : X=5+♦ or ♥&♠, 1♦=5+♥ or ♠&♣, 1♥=5+♠ or ♣&♦, 1♠=5+♣ or ♦&♥,
strong	1N=♣&♥ or ♦&♠. Higher bids mean the same with more distribution. Pass if strong.
♣	Same defence applies over ART strong 2 bids e.g. 2♣.

Over 1NT Interference lebensohl Transfer style

Lebensohl - other uses Over X of weak 2 bid

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ X
 4♥ X three suited, 4NT=2 suited 4♠ X=3 suited 4NT=2 suited

10. OTHER NOTES

Point ranges are indicative

1♦ - 1MAJ is typically 4+ cards 'normal' response. We tend not to pass 1♦ so will sometimes be 3 cards with less than normal responding values.