## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

## Jump raises - minors

Jump raises - Majors Preempt
Jump shifts after minor opening See inside
Jump shifts after Major opening Invitational
Responses to strong 2 suit open.
Responses to 2NT opening Muppet Stayman, transfers, 3 = minor suit Stayman

|  | 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS |  | Show priorities |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Versus Suit | (or both) | Versus |
|  | NoTrump | (if different) |  |
| Leads | Sequences: | Underlead (see notes) | Underlead (see notes) |
| Four or more with an honour | 3rd/Low | 4th highest |  |
| From 4 small | 3rd highest | 2nd highest |  |
| From 3 cards (no honour) | Bottom | Middle |  |
| In partner's suit | Top of sequence | Top of sequence |  |
| Discards | Low Encourage | Low Encourage |  |
| Count | Low-High = Even | Low-High = Even |  |
| Signal | on partner's lead: | Low Encourage |  |
| Signal | on declarer's lead: | Low Even, Reverse Smith vs NT (Low => Likes opening lead) |  |
| Notes | Lead top of sequence in partner's suit, suit known not to have 4+ cards in, or |  |  |
| side suit after preempting |  |  |  |

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: BlackwoodRKCB 1430

4* Gerber $\square$ when?
Slam Notes Kickback key card, step after 3 of agreed major $=$ non-serious try
Cue Bids $\quad \mathbf{X}$
Asking Bids $\mathbf{X}$
7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

2 NT is generally artificial in competition
Some TFR responses to overcalls
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Basic System: Polish Club
Brown Sticker $\mathbf{X}$ Classification: Green $\square$ Blue $\square$ Red $\mathbf{X}$ Yellow $\square$

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning
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| 1\% See pre-alerts | 1V11-17, $5+$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 11-17, $4+$ | 14 11-17, $5+$ |
| 1NT 15-17 | may contain 5 card Major $\boldsymbol{X}$ |
| 1NT Responses 24 Simple Stayman | Other: |
| 2 5+ | 24 INV to 3NT OR 6+ ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 2 5+ | 2NT 6+ |
| other $4 \% /=$ transfer to $4 / \mathbf{L}$ |  |
| 2\% 11-14, ( 5 \% AND 4 card major) OR (6+2) |  |
| 2 Weak, $5 / 5$ at least one major |  |
| 2 Weak, natural |  |
| 24. Weak, natural |  |
| 2NT 21-22 BAL | 3NT Good 4 or 4and (1/2); To play (3/4) |

other

| 2. PRE-ALERTS |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 12: (1) weak: $12-14$ NT, 11-17 4414 | Transfer responses to overcalls |
| (2) intermediate:15+5+e | $2 \downarrow, 3 N T$ openings |
| (3) strong: 18+ any shape |  |

## 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through
4. Jump overcalls
weak

1NT overcall - immediate 15-18
1NT overcall - re-opening 12-15
Jump overcalls weak

Over weaktwos $X=T / O$, Lebensohl Immediate cue of Major 5+ other major/5+ minor

Over opponent's 1NT $X=$ Penalty, $2=\boldsymbol{v}+$ another, $2=+$ minor, $2 / 2=$ natural, $2 N T=$
8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

| 1\% 1 | See Notes | 2 | NAT, FG | 3 | NAT, 9-11 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 7+, 4+ | 27 | NAT, 0-6 | 34 | 7 V, 2 top 3 honours |
| 11 | 7+, 4+ | 24 | NAT, 0-6 | 34 | BAL 12-16 no 4 cd M |
| 1NT | 8-10 BAL | 2NT | BAL, 11-12 | 3NT | NAT, 12-16 |
| $2 \%$ | NAT, FG | 3\% | NAT, 9-11 | 4\% |  |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1-1 v$ | NAT, 6+ | 2 | NAT, 0-6 | 34 | SPL |
| 14 | NAT, 6+ | 24 | NAT, 0-6 | 34 | SPL |
| 1NT | 6-10, no major | 2NT | BAL, 11-12 | 3NT | BAL, 13-15 |
| $2 \%$ | NAT, INV+ | 3\% | 6-10 points, $4+\downarrow$, no M | 4\% | SPL |
| 2 | NAT, INV+, no major | 3 | NAT, preemptive | 4 | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-1寺 | NAT, 6+ | 27 | Simple raise | 3 | NAT, INV |
| 1NT | <FG, 0-2 V, 0-3 | 24 | NAT, INV | 30 | NAT, Preempt |
| $2 \%$ | See Notes | 2NT | FG raise, 4+ | 34 | SPL |
| 2 | FG, $5+$ | $3 \%$ | NAT, INV | 3NT | 13-15 BAL 3 card raise |
| other $4 \boldsymbol{e} / \mathrm{L}=\mathrm{SPL}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 1NT | <FG, 0-2 | 24 | Simple raise | $3 \checkmark$ | NAT, INV |
| 2\% | See Notes | 2NT | FG raise, 4+ | 34 | NAT, Preempt |
| 2 | FG, $5+$ | $3 \%$ | NAT, INV | 3NT | 13-15 BAL 3 card raise |
| 27 | FG, $5+$ | 3 | NAT, INV | 4\% | SPL |
| other $4 \checkmark / \checkmark=$ SPL |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1NT 3\% | 5 card major enquiry | 34 | 0-1 $\mathbf{4}, 5 / 4$ in minors | 4 | 6+ |
| 3 | $5+$ en, 5+ $\downarrow$, FG | 3NT | To play | 4 | To play |
| $3 \checkmark$ | 0-1 V, 5/4 in minors | 4\% | $6+\cdots$ | 4* | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| 240 2 | ART, INV+ relay | 2NT | draise OR FG 2-suiter | 34 | NAT, INV |
| $2 \checkmark$ | CONST, good suit | $3 \%$ | INV | 34 | NAT, INV |
| 21 | CONST, good suit | 3 | NAT, INV | 3NT | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2-2v | P/C | 3\% | P/C | 34 |  |
| 24 | P/C |  | INV in partner's major | 3NT | To play |
|  | ART, FG enquiry |  | To play in partner's major | 4\% | Asks for transfer to major |
| other 4 asks for partner's major, 4 M to play |  |  |  |  |  |

Notes 120 $=0-7$ any, 7-11 UNBAL no major, or 17+ BAL no major
1M-2 = (1) Inv raise (2) FG BAL (3) FG 5+e

| 2 2 5 + , F1R | 3 NAT, F1R | 3NT To play |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT ART enquiry | 3 To play | 490 5+\%, 3+ |
| 3\% NAT, F1R | 34 FG, 6+ | 4 To play |
| other |  |  |
| 24 2NT ART enquiry | 3 NAT, F1R | 440 5+2, 3+4 |
| 3\% NAT, F1R | 34 To play | 4 To play |
| 3 NAT, F1R | 3NT To play | 4^ To play |
| 0ther |  |  |
| 2NT 3\% Major enquiry | 34. Minor enquiry | 4 NAT, slam try |
| $3-1$ | 3NT To play | 4V To play |
| 34 | 4*\% NAT, slam try | 4N To play |
| other |  |  |

## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: Lower 2 unbid suits
4th Suit Forcing One round $\square$ Game force $X$
NT Checkback $\quad \square$ Priorities: XYZ over 1NT rebids and 1-1 -1
Defence to $3 N T$ opening $\quad X=$ PEN or T/O of $\downarrow, 4 \boldsymbol{e}=$ T/O of $2,4-5+/ 5+\infty$ Defence to Opening Twos

| Multi 2 - | $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ of $\mathbf{\Sigma}, 2 \boldsymbol{V}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ of $\boldsymbol{\bullet}, 4 \mathrm{~m}=5+\mathrm{m} / 5+\boldsymbol{\downarrow}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| RCO style 2-s | $X$ shows values, later doubles are T/O |
| Other 2-s | $X$ shows T/O of single-suit option |
| Defence X | $\boldsymbol{\nu}$ + another |
| to 1 | = + minor |
| strong 1N | = ${ }^{2}+$ |
| $\%$ |  |

## Over 1NT Interference

Transfers from 2NT - 3s
Lebensohl - other uses Frequently over $2 \mathbb{L}$ in competition
Take out of 4 level pre-empts
4\%/4 $\quad X$
$40 \times$
4A X (4NT = two-suited hand)

