## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors pre-emptive
Jump raises - Majors pre-emptive
Jump shifts after minor opening $1 \mathrm{C}=$ transfers; 1D = weak natural (majors) or limit raise (clubs)
Jump shifts after Major opening minor = bergin raise; major $=3$ card limit raise
Responses to strong 2 suit open. $2 \mathrm{D}=0-3$ or $10+$ any; $2 \mathrm{H}=4-6$ any; other= $7-9$ transfers
Responses to 2NT opening $3 \mathrm{C}=$ Puppet Stayman; 3D/3H= transfers; 3S= minor suit Stayman

| 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Versus Suit (or both) | Show priorities |

Leads Sequences: Overlead all

Four or more with an honour 4th highest
From 4 small 2nd highest
From 3 cards (no honour) MUD
In partner's suit as above
Discards natural count

Count natural count

Signal on partner's lead: natural count
Signal on declarer's lead: natural count
Notes Occasional suit preference usually when count is known

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood X RKCB 1430
4* Gerberwhen?

## Slam Notes Minorwood (1430)

Cue Bids X May be either 1st or 2nd round control Asking Bids

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Drury after 3rd or 4th seat major opening
Blackout over reverse at 2 level
D0P1; R0P1
Leaping Michaels

Swine if our 1NT is doubled for penalty
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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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Basic System:
Brown Sticker $\square$ Classification: Green $\mathbf{X}$ Blue $\square$ Red $\square$ Yellow

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning
1\% 11+; 2+ clubs

1. 11+; 5+ hearts
1-11+; 4+ diamonds
1A $11+$; 5+ spades

1NT 15-17
may contain 5 card Major

## 1NT Responses 2\& Simple Stayman

2- transfer to hearts
2A range probe
2 transfer to spades
2NT Puppet Stayman
other $3 \mathrm{C}=$ transfer to diamonds
2\& Strong; 22+ balanced or near game force or better
2 4-7; 6 hearts or 6 spades
2v 8-11; 6 hearts
2^ 8-11; 6 spades
2NT 20-21; balanced or semi-balanced 3NT Gambling (no more than Q outside) other

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

Transfers responses over 1C 2D weak with either major

## 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through
4H Jump overcalls

## 4H

Responsive doubles through 4 H Unusual NT Lower unbid suits
1NT overcall - immediate 15-18 Immediate cue of minor both majors
1NT overcall - re-opening 15-18 Immediate cue of Major other major + minor
Over weak twos $X=$ take out Over opening threes $X=$ takeout
Over opponent's 1NT $2 \mathrm{C}=$ both majors; 2D = either major; $2 \mathrm{H} / 2 \mathrm{~S}=$ that major + a minor

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

| 1\% 1 5+; 4+ hearts | 2 4-7; 6 hearts | 3 | GF splinter raise |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 - 5+ 4+ spades | 2V 4-7; 6 spades | 30 | GF splinter raise |
| 14 5+; 4+ diamonds | 24 10-11; raise | 34 | GF splinter raise |
| 1NT 6-10 | 2NT slam try raise | 3NT | to play |
| 24-5-9; raise | 3\% pre-emptive raise | 4\% | Minorwood |
| other |  |  |  |
| 1) 1-5+; 4+ hearts | 2v 4-7; 6 hearts | 30 | GF splinter raise |
| 14 5+; 4+ spades | 24 4-7; 6 spades | 34 | GF splinter raise |
| 1NT 6-10 | 2NT slam try raise | 3NT | to play |
| 2\% 10+; 4+ clubs | 3\% 10-11; raise | 4\% | GF splinter raise |
| 2 5-9; raise | 3 pre-emptive raise | $4 \checkmark$ | Minorwood |
| other |  |  |  |
| 1v 1^ 5+; 4+ spades | 2v 5-9; raise | 3 | 7-8; 4 card raise |
| 1NT 6-10 | 24. 10-12; 3 card raise | 30 | pre-emptive raise |
| 2* 10+; 4+ clubs | 2NT slam try raise | 34 | unspecified splinter |
| 2 10+; 4+ diamonds | 3\% 9-12; 4 card raise | 3NT | GF balanced raise |
| other |  |  |  |
| 14. 1 NT 6-10 | 24.5-9; raise | 30 | 10-12; 3 card raise |
| 2\% 10+; 4+ clubs | 2NT slam try raise | 34 | pre-emptive raise |
| 2 10+; 4+ diamonds | 3\% 9-12; 4 card raise | 3NT | unspecified splinter |
| 2 2 10+; 5+ hearts | 3) 7-8; 4 card raise | 4\% | GF balanced raise |
| other |  |  |  |
| 1NT 34\% transfer to diamonds | 34 natural; slam interest | 4 | GF; 6+ spades |
| 3 natural; slam interest | 3NT to play | 4 | to play |
| 3v natural; slam interest | 4\% GF; 6+ hearts | 4N | to play |
| other |  |  |  |
| 2\% 2-3-3; any OR 10+ any | 2NT 7-9; 5+ clubs | 30 | 7-9; 5+ spades |
| 2v 4-6; any | 3\% 7-9;5+ diamonds | 34 | 7 -9; spades + hearts |
| 24 7-9; balancedish | 3. 7-9;5+ hearts | 3NT | 7-9; diamonds +clubs |
| other |  |  |  |
| $2 \checkmark$ pass or correct | 34 natural; forcing |  | pass or correct |
| 24 pass or correct | 3 natural; forcing |  | to play |
| 2NT enquiry (3C/3D=better) | $3 \downarrow$ pass or correct | 4\% |  |
| other |  |  |  |

## Notes

| 2V2^ natural; forcing | 3 natural; forcing | 3NT to play |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT Enquiry for strength | 30 to play | 4\% splinter raise |
| 3\% natural; forcing | 34. splinter raise | 4 to play |
| other |  |  |
| 24. 2 NT Enquiry for strength | 3 - natural; forcing | 4\% splinter raise |
| 3\% natural; forcing | 34 to play | 4* splinter raise |
| 3. natural; forcing | 3NT to play | 4^ to play |
| other |  |  |
| 2NT 3\%\% Puppet Stayman | 34 Minor suit Stayman | $4 \diamond$ natural; forcing |
| 3. transfer to hearts | 3NT to play | 4 to play |
| 3) transfer to spades | 4\% natural; forcing | 44 to play |
| other |  |  |

## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: for lower unbid suits (any strength)
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { 4th Suit Forcing } \quad \text { One round } \square \\ \text { NT Checkback } & \square & \text { Priorities: }\end{array}$
Game force X
NT Checkback $\square$ Priorities:
Defence to 3NT opening 4C/4D = both majors
Defence to Opening Twos $\quad X=$ takeout (with 1-2-3 doubles)
Multi 2 1-2-3 doubles
RCO style 2-s 1-2-3 doubles
Other 2-s $\quad$ =takeout with Lebensohl; cue= strong two suiter

## Defence (1\&): $\mathrm{X}=$ majors; $\mathrm{NT}=$ minors

to

## strong (2e):

1\% / 2\%

## Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl

Lebensohl - other uses over their weak two and our X

| Take out of 4 level pre-empts | 4\%/4 X |
| :---: | :---: |
| $4 \cdot \mathrm{X}$ | 4A 4NT (X= cards) |

## 10. OTHER NOTES

XYZ = after we make 3 bids at the 1 level, 2C = artificial transfer to 2D (to play or start an invitational sequence) and 2D = artificial GF).
Our splinter bids are based on having at least 5 Control Points ( 5 key cards each $=2$ CPs and outside Kings and trump Q each = 1 CP ).

Sequence: 1C P 1D P 1H P 1S = not forcing
1Major P 1NT P 2C= Gazilli style enquiry showing at least reversing values
1Major P 2Major P 2NT = unspecified trial bid showing game interest

