#### 4. BASIC RESPONSES Jump raises - minors Preempt 3-6 HCP, 5+ cards Jump raises - Majors Preempt 0-5 HCP, 4+ cards 2♥/♠ nat, weak; 1♣-2♦ limit raise (7-9); 1♦-3♣ limit raise (7-9) Jump shifts after minor opening 3♣/3♦ Bergen; 1♥-2♠ & 1♠-3♥ are nat, goodish 6+card, (7-9) Jump shifts after Major opening 2♦=waiting; 2₹/2\$/3\$/3\$=6+ card self suffic nt suit(1 loser max) Responses to strong 2 suit open. 3♣Puppet Stayman; 3♦/3♥=♥/♠; 3♠=44+m; 4♣/♦=Minorwood Responses to 2NT opening 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Show priorities Versus NoTrump (if different) Versus Suit (or both) A/Q-Attitude, K-Count, see note A/Q-attitude,K-count or unblock Leads Sequences: 4th highest Four or more with an honour From 4 small 2nd highest middle From 3 cards (no honour) as above but 3rd if suit unraised In partner's suit Count, McKenney, see note **Discards** Reverse present count Count reverse attitude, then count Signal on partner's lead: Signal on declarer's lead: Count Notes Frequent McKenny suit preference when count known or giving ruff. Overlead QJ/J10/109 but choose card with AK/KQ depending on signal desired. On first discard only use O/E, odds=encouraging / evens=McKenney 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS Blackwood X **RKCB 3041** when? never 4♣ Gerber 4NT: Slam Notes Kickback; With agreed major 3M+1=non-serious slam try; DOPI X Cue Bids 1st/2nd equal Asking Bids X Control Asks; Exclusion RKBW; Minorwood (conditional & unconditional) 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS Step Blackout (1-over-1 then reverse). **DOPI** Leaping Michaels & non-leaping Michaels. Cue Raises. Support X & XX. Last Train game & slam tries. artificial shortage showing bids. Forcing pass in some comp situations. Unnecessary jumps are splinters. Artificial bids after our 3NT overcall.

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# AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION INC.



#### STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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ABF Nos. 121541 Nigel Rosendorff					
& Names: 199291 George Smolanko					
Basic System: Standard; 2/1=GF unless responder rebids their suit					
Brown Sticker Classification: Green X Blue Red Yellow					
1. OPENING BIDS					
Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning  Canape					
1♣ 11-20 HCP, 3+ 1♥ 11-20 HCP, 5+					
1♦ 11-20, (3)4+, usually open 1♦ with 44m 1♠ 11-20 HCP, 5+					
1NT 15-17 HCP may contain 5 card Major X					
1NT Responses 2♣ Extended Stayman (invite +), asking for min/max and 5card suit					
2♦ Transf ♥, super accept all 4+support 2♠ Transf ♣, then 2NT=good fitting hand					
2♥ Transf ♠, super accept all 4+support 2NT Transf ♦, then 3♣=good fitting hand					
other system on after X, except 2♣=Simple Stayman, and XX=bid 2♣ then pass.					
2♣ GF or 23+ BAL					
2♦ Weak two in Major, 6-10 HCP					
2♥ 5-Hearts and 4+minor, 6-10 HCP					
2♠ 5-Spades and 4+minor, 6-10 HCP					
<b>2NT</b> 20-22 HCP, BAL <b>3NT</b> 1st/2nd: 9-13, 6♥ & 5♠. 3rd/4th: TP					
other 4suit = nat preempt. 4NT = both minors, preemptive (can be very weak)					
2. PRE-ALERTS					
2♦/2♥/2♠ openings above do not apply in ALL point ranges are a guide only.					
4th seat (now nat. 6+ suit, 10-13HCP). Inverted minors( unless PH or in comp).					
1M - 2♣=3way bid, incl limit raise of M.					
3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS					
Negative doubles through 4♥ Jump overcalls Weak					
Responsive doubles through 4♥ Unusual NT lower 2 unbid suits					
1NT overcall - immediate 15-18 BAL Immediate cue of minor Both Majors 5+/5+					
1NT overcall - re-opening 15-18 BAL Immediate cue of Major Other Major & minor (5+/5+)					
Over weak twos T/O X; Leaping Michaels Over opening threes T/O X; non-leaping Michaels					
Over opponent's 1NT 2♣= 5(4)/4+ Majors; 2♦= 6+M; 2M= 5+M & 4+m					
2NT= ♣ (can be strong 5+/5+); 3♣=♦ (can be strong 5+/5+); 3♦=8-14, nat					
X weak 1NT(their min is <14)= PEN: X strong 1NT(14+)= 4M & 5+m					

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

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1♣ 1♦	5+ HCP, 4+◆	2	7-9 HCP, 5+♣, no 4M	3◆	13-14 HCP, splinter		
1♥	5+ HCP, 4+♥	2	3-6 HCP, 6+♥, weak	<b>3</b>	13-14 HCP, splinter		
1♠	5+ HCP, 4+♠	2♠	3-6 HCP, 6+♠, weak	<b>3♠</b>	13-14 HCP, splinter		
1NT	6-11 HCP, nat	2NT	11-12HCP, bal, ♦ only	3NT	13-15 HCP, bal, ♦ only		
2♣	10+ HCP, 4+♣, no M	3♣	3-6 HCP, 5+♣	<b>4♣</b>	preempt		
other	r Passed hand: 2♣=5-8, 2♦=9-11						
1♦ 1♥	5+ HCP, 4+♥	2	3-6 HCP, 6+♥, weak	3 💙	13-14 HCP, splinter		
1♠	5+ HCP, 4+♠	2♠	3-6 HCP, 6+♠, weak	3♠	13-14 HCP, splinter		
1NT	6-11 HCP, nat	2NT	11-12 HCP,bal,♣ only	3NT	13-15 HCP,bal,only 🛧		
2♣	10+ HCP, 4+♣	3♣	7-9 HCP, 4+♦, no M	4♣	13-14 HCP, splinter		
2	10+ HCP, 4+♦, no M	3◆	3-6 HCP, 5+♦, no M	4	preempt		
other							
1♥ 1♠	5+ HCP, 4+ <b>♠</b>	2	5-10 HCP, 3♥	3 🄷	10-12 HCP, 4+♥		
1NT	6-11 HCP, nat	2♠	nat, 6+ card, 7-9HCP	<b>3</b>	0-5 HCP, 4+♥		
2♣	10+3way(PH: 9-11,3♥)	2NT	12+HCP, GF, 4+♥	3♠	10 -14 HCP, splinter		
2	10+ nat(PH: 9-11,♥Hx)	3♣	6-9 HCP, 4+♥	3NT	13-15 HCP, bal, 3♥		
other	ner 4♣/4♦= 10-14 HCP splinter; 4♠= RKBW						
1 <b>♠</b> 1NT	6-11 HCP, nat	2♠	5-10 HCP, 3♠	<b>3</b>	nat, 6+card, 7-9HCP		
2♣	10+3way(PH:9-11, 3♠)	2NT	12+ HCP, GF, 4+♠	<b>3♠</b>	0-5 HCP, 4+♠		
2	10+ nat(PH:9-11,♠Hx)	3♣	6-9 HCP, 4+♠	3NT	13-15 HCP, bal, 3♠		
2♥	10+ HCP, 5+♥	3◆	10-12 HCP, 4+♠	4♣	10-14 HCP, splinter		
other	4♦/4♥= 10-14 HCP, sp	linte	r; 4NT=RKBW				
1NT 3♣	bid 3♦,slamtry any suit	3♠	3♠ 54+ minors, GF	4	texas transfer to 4♠		
3◆	5+/5+ ms, GF	3NT	TP	<b>4</b>	nat, TP		
3♥	3♥ 54+ minors, GF	4♣ texas transfer to 4♥		4	nat, TP		
other							
2♣ 2♦	negative or waiting	2NT	not used	3 💙			
2	nat, 1 loser max suit	3♣	nat, 1 loser max suit	<b>3♠</b>			
2♠	nat, 1 loser max suit	3◆	nat, 1 loser max suit	3NT			
other							
2♦ 2♥	P/C	3♣	nat, 1-round force	3♠	P/C		
2♠	P/C	3	nat, 1-round force	3NT	(& 4♠) to play		
2NT	strong enquiry	3	P/C	4♣	asks for transfer		
other	4♦=asks for Major; 4¥	= P/	C;4 <b>∳</b> =to play				
Notes After 2 - 2NT Enquiry: 3 / 2 - min hearts/snades: 3 / 2 - may hearts/snades							

**Notes** After 2♦ - 2NT Enquiry; 3♣/3♦ = min hearts/spades; 3♥/3♠ = max hearts/spades. After1M-2M-step=game try any shortage (0or1), then step asks for shortage L/M/H. Rebid 1M after 1m - 1X - with 44+, can be bal.

	2♥ 2♠	Nat, NF	3	to play	3NT	to play		
	2NT	strong enquiry	3 <b>Y</b>	preemptive	<b>4♣</b>	P/C		
	3♣	P/C	3♠	natural, forcing	<b>4</b>	to play		
other 4♠=Kickback. After 2NT enquiry, 3m =min; 3♥/3♠ =						: max (♣/ <b>♦</b> )		
	2 <b>♠</b> 2NT	strong enquiry	3 💙	nat, forcing	4 <b>♣</b>	P/C		
	3♣	P/C	<b>3♠</b>	preemptive	<b>4</b>	to play		
	3◆	to play	3NT	to play	4 <b>♠</b>	to play		
	other	After 2NT enquiry, 3m =min; 3♥/3♠ = max (♣/♦). 4NT asks for m if unknown.						
	2NT 3♣	Puppet Stayman	3♠	minors Stayman, 44m	4	nat, Unc Minorwood		
	3♦ Transfer to ♥		3NT	TP	<b>4</b>	Nat., mild slam try		
	3♥	Transfer to ♠	4♣	nat, Unc Minorwood	4 <b>♠</b>	Nat., mild slam try		
	other	4NT=quantitative						
9. CONVENTIONS								
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4th Suit Forcing One round Game force X								

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4th Suit F	orci	ng One ro	und			Game force X		
NT Check	bacl	<b>X</b> Prio	orities: 2 🚓	=force2 then nex	t is inv; 2 <b>♦</b> =art, GF	F; 2NT=force 3♣		
Defence to 3NT opening CTP X; over gambling,4♣ for majors.								
Defence to Opening Twos CTP X; T/O X of nat 2's; Leaping Michaels								
Multi 2◆		CTP X; Leap	oing Mich	aels				
RCO style 2-s		CTP X; Leaping Michaels						
Other 2-s		Over nat 2's	: T/O X;	Leaping Michaels;	Michaels over na	t 2 <b>♦</b>		
Defence	1♣	: X=Majors 5	5+/4+; 1N	IT=5+ <b>♠</b> & 4+m; 2N	T=5+ <b>♥</b> & 5+m; ju	mps weak		
to								
strong	2♣	: X=Majors; 2NT=minors						
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X=CTP (if art) or T/O (if nat); NF nat thru 3♦; GF from 3♥ up Over 1NT Interference **NEVER USED** Lebensohl - other uses

X=T/O; 4NT=Nat Take out of 4 level pre-empts **4♥** X=T/O ; 4NT= Nat 4♠ X=values; 4NT=T/O

## **10. OTHER NOTES**

CTP X (1st=cards/2nd=Takeout/3rd=Penalty) when they open/overcall weak & artificial (1m) - 3m=natural intermediate jump (good 6c suit, 11-15HCP). Inverted minor does not apply if passed hand or opps overcall - limit raises apply. After 1m - 2m - step=11-14any, then step=art, GF. After 1M-2NT- 3♣=any 11-14; 3♦=17+,bal; 3♥/3♠/3NT=15+,L/M/H shortage.

After opp overcall, jump NS=6+c good suit, 7-9HCP(approx)

After our overcall, non-jump NS is NF except at 3 level (but must raise with 3+ support)