## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors
(5)6-9, 5+ support

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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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Basic System: 2/1 GF, 5 card Majors, 15-17 NT
Brown Sticker $\square$ Classification: Green $\mathbf{X}$ Blue $\square$ Red $\square$ Yellow $\square$

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning
Canape
1\% 11+ HCP, 3+
1v 11+ HCP

A $11+\mathrm{HCP}$
$5+\square$
1NT 15-17 Balanced
may contain 5 card Major $\mathbf{X}$

1NT Responses 2\& Simple Stayman (Smolen)
2 TRF
24 TRF or Range Probe
2 TRF
2NT TRF ( $3 \star=$ support)
other 1NT-3 = Puppet Stayman. $4 \boldsymbol{\omega}=$ TRF $\boldsymbol{\bullet}, 4 \vee=$ TRF

2\% 23+ BAL or any game force
2 6-5-(10)
$2 \vee 6 \vee 5-(10)$
24 64-(10)
2NT 20-22 Bal
3NT AKQxxxx (3rd seat may be good)
other

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\text { Slam Notes 4@ Kickback in } \vee \text {, RKCB }[\mathrm{X}] \mathrm{P}=\text { no control, Other Normal. }
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Cue Bids X 1st/2nd. $Q$ ask: Step=Q no $K, 5 N T=Q$ and $K$ step suit, other $Q$ and $K$ suit
Asking Bids $\mathbf{X}$ King ask, trump suit=no, otherwise lowest $K$ and $5 N T$ being $K$ of ask suit
7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

2 way checkback over 1NT rebid
Transfers over 2NT rebid - accept = Support
M super accepts (3suit=wk +4 , $2 n t=\max +4$ )

- support accept = 3

Equal level conversion after T/O double of 1 M
Fit Showing Jumps in competition
1NT-(Xpen)- $2-/ \mathbf{/} / \perp$ To play
1NT-(Xpen)-XX=s or 2 suits not
1NT-(Xpen)-2es and a higher suit
2 -2 ; 3 -4 ; 4 (KC)-4e=0/3 etc
www.abf.com.au 1m-1M-2M-2NT=F1,3NT=Choice of contract
PDF Form Rev. 15F06 by RoL 1M-2M; Step=short suit trial; New suit=Long suit trial MyRev. 26/11/23 Minorwood: step=disc, step 2=0/3 ie 2NT4e 4 =disc $4 \vee=0 / 3$

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## 2. PRE-ALERTS

1NT - 3 \& 4 level responses
$1 / 2$ seat $1 M-2$ =2 $/$ NT GF or $3 M$ INV raise

Support X/XX
3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through
4. Jump overcalls weak

Responsive doubles through 4e Unusual NT 5/5 Lower 2 unbid suits unlimited 1NT overcall - immediate 15-18 BAL Immediate cue of minor $5 / 5 \mathrm{~T} / \mathrm{u}$ unlimited 1NT overcall - re-opening 11-15 BAL Immediate cue of Major $5 / 5 \mathrm{oM} / \mathrm{m}$ unlimited Over weak twos 2NT 16-18, XXX with Leb. Over opening threes T/O X Over opponent's 1NT X= PEN over Weak NT (max 15), X over Strong NT=4M/5+m $2 \boldsymbol{2}=$ Majors, $2 \boldsymbol{2}=$ single suit, $2 \mathrm{M}=5$ Major $/ 4+$ minor, $2 N T=5 / 5$, 3 level = NAT 1NT [X]: XX = or 2 suits not ${ }^{2}$ s. 2 es and higher suit. 2 suit=To play

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning




| 1NT 5-11HCP 2N 6-9,3 3 INV 6+V.P/H=FS |  |  |
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| 14 1NT | 5-11HCP | 24 | 6-9,3 | $3 \checkmark$ | INV 6+V. P/H=FS |
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| $2 \%$ | GF e/BAL or Inv+3s | 2NT | $\mathrm{INV}+4+$ + $\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{H}$ max \& sht | 34 | 6-9, 4+ |
| 2 | GF, 5+ | 340 | INV 6+\%. P/H=FS | 3NT | 12-14 HCP, 33(34) |
| $2 \downarrow$ | GF, $5+\bullet$ | 3 | INV 6+*. P/H=FS | $4 \%$ | SPL 10-12 HCP |



| 2* 2 Waiting | 2NT + ve 5/5 \% | 30 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2 \downarrow$ +ve $5+\downarrow$ KJ+ | 3\% +ve 6+ KJ+ | 34 |
| 24 +ve 5+ KJ+ | 3 +ve 6+ KJ+ | 3 N |

other Kokish i.e. 2 -2

| 2 2 NAT F1 | 3\% NAT F1 | 3 A |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 24. NAT F1 | 3 To play | 3NT | To play |
| 2NT Shortage ask** | $3 \checkmark$ | 44 |  |

other ${ }^{* *} 3=$ min (may inc shortage). $3 \boldsymbol{2} / 3 / 3 \boldsymbol{s}=$ shortage non min
Notes 3 Ivl Pre-empts: 4 of cheapest minor=RKCB with 1st step = bad hand.

System off (exception 2 way checkback) over interference but generally, ignore X's.

| 2-24 | NAT F1 | 3 | NAT F1 | 3NT To play |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT | Shortage ask ** | 34 | To play | 4\% |
| $3 \%$ | NAT F1 | 34 |  | 4 To play |

other ** $3 \boldsymbol{N}=\mathrm{min}$ (may inc shortage). $3 / 3 / 3=$ shortage non min. $4=$ To play, KC via 2 NT

| 24 2NT | Shortage ask ** | $3 \checkmark$ | NAT F1 | $4 \%$ |  |
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| $3 \%$ | NAT F1 |  | To play |  | To play |
| 3 | NAT F1 |  | To play | 4 | To play |

other ** $3 \boldsymbol{s}=\mathrm{min}$ (may inc shortage). $3 / 3 * / 3 \vee=$ shortage non min


## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: 2 Lower unbid suits, unlimited
4th Suit Forcing One round $\square$ Game force $\mathbf{X}$
NT Checkback X Priorities: $2 \boldsymbol{2}=$ puppet to $2 \checkmark$ then INV, 2 =GF, 2NT=Puppet to $3 \boldsymbol{2}$
Defence to 3NT opening
Defence to Opening Twos 2NT=16-18 BAL, Michaels
Multi $2 \quad$ XXX. 1st $X=13+$. Lebensohl
RCO style 2-s XXX. 1st $X=13+$. Lebensohl
Other 2-s Over natural weak 2s: Leaping Michaels in both 2nd/4th chair

## Defence 1e: X=Majors; 1NT=Minors

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strong Over [1~]-P-[1 1 ]-X=Majors; 1NT=Minors
\& $\quad$ Same method used over strong $2 \boldsymbol{2}$ opening.
Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl 2NT, Slow Shows. X=T/O of anchor suit otherwise XXX
Lebensohl - other uses After double of a weak 2 opening
Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 \% / 4 \leqslant$
4- X, 4nt minors
4 $\mathrm{X}=$ values, $4 \mathrm{NT}=$ At least 2 places to play
10. OTHER NOTES


Jacoby: 3- $=$ min or 18+with shortage; 3-15-17 with shortage; 3OM=bal non min; $3 \mathrm{M}=6 \mathrm{M}$ non $\mathrm{min} ; 3 \mathrm{NT}=17-19 ; 4 \mathrm{x}=$ Good 5 card suit, non min

Inverted GF: Step=min then repsonder bids NT probe GF; other NT probe; jump=shortage
 Blackout (Reverse): Rebid of Major=5+ F1, 4th suit, CUE or 2NT - cheapest is weak

