## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

## Jump raises - minors

$2 m=10+, 3 m=3-6$, Jump Other Minor $=7-9$

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Jump raises - Majors Bergen (even from passed hand)
Jump shifts after minor opening Weak 6c suit, $\sim 4-7$ (except 1e-2*; or 1ヶ-3e = crisscross)
Jump shifts after Major opening Bergen $3 \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}=2-5,3<=6-9,3>=10-11$
Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2D waiting, then kokish.
Responses to $2 N T$ opening Puppet Stayman (4D=Both M), Xfers, $4</ 4 \diamond$ KCB in that suit

|  | 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS | ONS Show priorities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Versus Suit (or both) | Versus NoTrump (if different) |
| Leads Sequences: | Overlead, A/Q Att, K=Count | A, Q = Att, K=Count/Unblock |
| Four or more with an honour | 3rd/Low | 4th |
| From 4 small | 3rd/Low | 2nd |
| From 3 cards (no honour) | 3rd/Low | 2nd |
| In partner's suit | 3rd/Low | Low from 3 |
| Discards | ReverseAttitude on 1st disc only | ReverseAttitude on1st disc only |
| Count | Reverse Count (Present) | Reverse Count (Present) |
| Signal on partner's lead: | ReverseAtt on openL then count | ReverseAtt on openL then count |
| Signal on declarer's lead: | Reverse Count (if given) |  |
| Notes Suit preference on suspected shortage and vs singleton. |  |  |
| Generally overlead, but on opening lead can lead K or Q from KQ depending on signal |  |  |
| desired. On Q lead | courage only if holding an Hon |  |

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood $\square$ RKCB
4* Gerber $\square$ when?
when?

## Slam Notes Kickback in all 4 suits (0314)

Cue Bids X Exclusion KCB after Texas or after suit agreement Asking Bids

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

5NT = Almost always pick a Slam.
First Step = Blackout after a reverse.
$2 \mathrm{C}=$ Drury by a passed hand.
Support X and XX
Change of suit is forcing
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$1 M-2 x-2 M=A R T$, catch-all.
$1 M-2 x-2 M-3 x=N F$, all others $=G / F$.
$1 M-2 x-3 x=$ Extras, $4 c$ support.
DOPI, DEPO.
splinters, but not after our overcall.
After they double our ART first entry; e.g (1NT) - 2 ${ }^{\text {* }}$, P=To Play, XX=Bid step then pass, Others=System On After our Overcall:1/2 level NS advances N/F but raise with fit, \& jump shift = natural, GF.

## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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Basic System: $\quad 2 / 1$ GF except $m$ rebid, or $2<$ limit raise of $M$.
Brown Sticker $\square$ Classification: Green $\mathbf{X}$ Blue $\square$ Red

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning
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1\% ~11+HCP 3+e
$1-\sim 11+$ HCP $5+\bullet$
$1 \checkmark \sim 11+$ HCP $3+\diamond$ (only if 4432)
1^ $\sim 11+$ HCP 5+
1NT $\quad 15-17$ (inc. most good 14 s with a 5 c suit) may contain 5 card Major $\mathbf{X}$

1NT Responses $2 \boldsymbol{*}$ Simple Stayman (After M response, 3oM slamtry, 2 = Nat Inv)
2 5+ transfer
2A 6+2, (then step $=$ superaccept)
2 5+ transfer
2NT 6+ , (then step = superaccept)
other $3 \boldsymbol{2}=$ Both Minors(then 3 asks shortage). $4 \boldsymbol{2}=6+\boldsymbol{\bullet}: 4 \leqslant=6+$. (\& in comp LeapM)
2\% G/F + Kokish relay. Can be 10ish trick M with <18HCP.
2 Weak, Hearts ( $5 \vee$ possible NV) then $2 N T=$ Enq ( $32=\min , 3 \vee / 3 \vee * / 3 s=$ shortage)
2V Weak, Both Majors ( $4+/ 4+\mathrm{NV}$ ) then 2NT = Enq ( $30=\mathrm{min}, 3 \mathrm{M}$ Nat) \& 4\%/ sets Maj
2N Weak, Spades (5 possible NV) then 2NT = Enq ( $30=m i n, 3 / 3 / 3{ }^{*}$ * $=$ shortage )
2NT (19)20-21 3NT 6V \& 5 - -8-12 (4\%/ sets Maj)
other

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

2 = Weak in Hearts.
$2 \boldsymbol{V}$ = Weak both Majors.
Negative doubles through
Responsive doubles through
4 S
4 S
Jumpovercalls Weak

1NT overcall - immediate 15-18
1NT overcall - re-opening 13-16
Unusual NT LUBS

Over opponent's 1NT $2 \boldsymbol{2}=$ Both Majors, $2=6 \mathrm{cM}, 2 \mathrm{M}=5 \mathrm{M}, 4+\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{X}=$ Values
Takeout/negative doubles apply in almost all competitive situations. But not $1 \mathrm{X}-(\mathrm{X})-\mathrm{XX}$ vs Artificial, 1st $\mathrm{X}=$ Values, $2 \mathrm{nd} \mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}, 3 \mathrm{rd} \mathrm{X}=$ Pen.

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

| 1\% 1 |  | 2 | Criss Cross, 7-9 | 3 | Spl |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  | Weak (3-6) | 30 | Spl |
| 11 |  | 24 | Weak (3-6) | 34 | Spl |
| 1NT | 6-11 | 2NT | 11-12 bal, only | 3NT | 13-15 bal, only |
| 24 | Inverted, 10+ | $3 \%$ | 5\%, 3-6 | $4 \%$ |  |
| other for PH or after opp overcall; 2-=5-8, 2 =9-11(crisscross) |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1-10$ |  | $2 \downarrow$ | Weak (3-6) | 30 | Spl |
| 14 |  | 24 | Weak (3-6) | 34 | Spl |
| 1NT | 6-11 | 2NT | 11-12 bal, only | 3NT | 13-15 bal, only |
| 26 |  | $3 \%$ | Criss Cross, 7-9 | 4\% | Spl |
| 2 | Inverted, 10+ | 3 | 5-, 3-6 | 4 |  |
| other for PH or after opp overcall; 2 = = -8, 3¢=9-11(crisscross) |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1 \times 14$ |  | $2 \downarrow$ | 3v, 5-10 | 3 |  |
| 1NT | 6-11 | 24 | 6+4, 8-10 | 30 |  |
| $2 \%$ | 3-way | 2NT | $4+\vee$, GF | 34 | Spl |
| 2 |  | $3 \%$ |  |  | 13-15, bal, 3V, NF |
| other After 3NT (13-15) response, NS=splinter. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 1NT | 6-11 | 24 | 34, 5-10 | 3 | $6+\checkmark, 8-10$ |
| 2\% | 3-way | 2NT | 4+ | 34 |  |
| 2 |  | 3\% |  | 3NT | 13-15, bal, 3 ${ }^{\text {, NF }}$ |
| $2 \checkmark$ | 5+V, GF | 3 |  | $4 \%$ | Spl |
| other After 3NT (13-15) response, NS=splinter |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1NT 3\% | Both Minors | 3 N | 5+4, GF | 4 | S |
| 3 | $5+\downarrow$, GF | 3NT | TP | 4 | TP |
| $3 \checkmark$ | $5+\boldsymbol{\bullet}$, GF | 4\% | H | 41 | TP |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24* 2 | waiting | 2NT |  | 30 |  |
| 2 |  | $3 \%$ |  | 34 |  |
| 24 |  | 3 |  | 3NT |  |
| other |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 - | TP | 34 | TP | 34 | 5+a, GF |
| 24 | TP | 3 | NF | 3NT | TP |
| 2NT <br> other | Enquiry, game interest | $3 \checkmark$ | inv only on 6c suit. | $4 \%$ |  |

Notes After opp overcall, jump NS=6+card goodish suit 8-10 HCP.
After $1 \mathrm{x}: 1 \mathrm{M}: 2 \mathrm{M}$ : $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ Enquiry, invite plus.
After 1-level suit response; single JS= splinter 13-15 or 19+, double JS=splinter 16-18.

| 210 | TP | 3 | TP | 3NT TP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT | Enquiry, game interest | 30 | TP | $4 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | TP | 34 | TP | $4 \checkmark$ |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 24 2NT | Enquiry, game interest | 30 | TP | 40 |
| $34 \%$ | TP | 34 | inv only on 6c suit. | 4 |
| 3 | TP | 3NT | TP | 4. |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 2NT 30\% | puppet stayman | 34 | both ms, 4+/4+ | $4 \checkmark$ minorwood KCB |
| 3 | $\checkmark$ | 3NT |  | $4{ }^{\circ}$ |
| 30 | 4 | 4\% | minorwood KCB | 4. |
| other |  |  |  |  |

Unusual NT: LUBS
4th Suit Forcing One round $\square$ Game force $\mathbf{X}$

NT Checkback X Priorities: 2-way c/back,(2c-2-3NT = 5M choice of G),3x = 5/5GF
Defence to 3NT opening

| Defence to Opening Twos |  | $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ then 2NT = Scramble if Passed hand, others Nat. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Multi 2 | CTP | (if scrambling over Spades, direct $\boldsymbol{\nabla}=$ Constructive) |
| RCO style 2-s | CTP |  |
| Other 2-s | CTP |  |
| Defence 1e: $\mathrm{X}=$ Majors |  |  |
| to |  |  |
| strong 20: $\mathrm{X}=$ Majors |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |

Over 1NT Interference After 1NT (X), xx=Strong, NS=To Play, Pass=bid 5card suit or XX. Lebensohl - other uses Rubensohl after opps overcall our 1NT (see below).

## Take out of 4 level pre-empts

4\%/4 X
4 A

## 10. OTHER NOTES

After all strong raises, (e.g. $1 \mathrm{~m}-2 \mathrm{~m}$ \& $1 \mathrm{M}-2 \mathrm{NT}$ ), first step is ART Minimum.
After 1M-2NT, None/Low/Middle/High applies from both sides.
After 1m-2m, 2NT = 13-14 happy to declare, New Suits = Natural Shortage
Leaping Michaels after their weak twos or their overcall of our 1NT.
After our M bid opening or overcall, an in-comp 2NT response= 4card raise, 10+.
Rubensohl: vs 2level interference; 2NT+ = comp+ Xfer.
vs above 2 S interference; all suits=natural,GF.

