AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE 4. BASIC RESPONSES FEDERATION LTD. Jump raises - minors Weak (5-8 HCP; 5+ C/4+ D) STANDARD SYSTEM CARD Jump raises - Maiors v. weak (2-4 HCP; 4+ cards) ABF Nos. Wynne Webber 100171 Jump shifts after minor opening Weak, 6+ cards & Names: 161756 Hilton Francis OM = 3-card limit raise; 3C = 4 cards, 5-8; 3D = 4, 9-11; 2NT 12+ Jump shifts after Major opening Basic System: 2/1 Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2D forward going; 2H = bust; other suits = 2 of top 3 hons. Classification: Green X Blue | Red Brown Sticker Yellow Puppet Stayman Responses to 2NT opening 1. OPENING BIDS Describe strength, min.length, or specific meaning Canapé 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS 14 11+; 2+ 1 11+; 5+ Versus Suit Versus **NoTrump** (if different) (or both) Show priorities 1 11+; 4+ 11+; 5+ Overlead, but A = att.; K = count **Leads** Sequences: may contain 5 card Major **1NT** (14)15–17 Four or more with an honour 4th 1NT Responses 2 Stayman 2nd highest From 4 small 2♦ Tfr to H 2 Range probe or Tfr to C MUD Top (?) From 3 cards (no honour) 2 Tfr to S 2NT Tfr to D 3rd In partner's suit (Dbl) Lebensohl other Smolen at 3 level McKenny **Discards** Lo enc. 2♣ GF with Kokish responses Reverse if given Count Signal on partner's lead: Lo enc. 2 ← 5–10: 6 cards **Signal** on declarer's lead: Possibly suit pref. 2 5-10; 6 cards 2♠ 5–10; 6 cards **Notes** 2NT 20-22 3NT Gambling other N/A 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4♣ Gerber X over 1Nt & 2NT openings 2. PRE-ALERTS Swedish ask over M suit agreement RKCB 14/30 Minorwood 4NT: Blackwood Cue Bids X 1st round Asking Bids 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS Doubles Support doubles and redoubles Negative DBL thru 4S 4S over H agreement is RKCB Cue raises Responsive DBL thru **4S** Support X and XX Jump overcalls Weak Unusual NT Lower 2 unbid suits (re-opening) 12+ 2-way checkback 1NT overcall: (immediate) 15–18 (Major) Other M + minor Immediate cue: (minor) Michaels (both Ms) Blackout over reverses Swedish over M agreement & 2NT enquiry Over: Weak Twos X = T/O and Lebensohl Opening Threes X = T/OOpponent's transfers Bid of transfer suit = pest; X = goodish hand+ www.abf.com.au Opponent's 1NT Strong: X = s/s; C = ms; D = Ms; M = M + m PDF Form Rev. 21E29 by RoL MyRev. Weak: X = Pen.; C = s/s; D = Ms; M = M + m; 2NT = msCopyright © ABF 2021

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1♣ 1♦	5+ HCP; 4+ cards	2	weak; 6+ cards	3◆	n/a
1♥	5+ HCP; 4+	2	weak; 6+	3 Y	n/a
1♠	5+ HCP; 4+	2	weak; 6+	3 ♠	n/a
1NT	5-11 HCP; 4+ C	2NT	11-12 HCP	3NT	13-15; no 4-card M
2♣	12+; 5+ C	3 -	weak; 5+ cards	4 ♣	Minorwood
other	4D n/a; 4M To play				
1♦ 1♥	5+ HCP; 4+ cards	2 💙	weak; 6+ cards	3	Splinter
1♠	5+ HCP; 4+ cards	2	weak; 6+ cards	3 ♠	Splinter
1NT	5-10 HCP	2NT	11-12 HCP; 4+ C	3NT	13-15 HCP
2♣	GF (12+) 4+ C	3 -	splinter for D	4 ♣	n/a
2	11+; 4+ D	3	weak; 4+ D	4	Minorwood
other	4C n/a; 4M To play				
1♥ 1♠	5+; 4+ S	2	5-9; 3 H	3 🄷	10-11; 4+ H
1NT	5-10, <3 H, semi-Force	2	3-card H limit raise	3 Y	weak; 4+ H
2♣	GF with C	2NT	12+ then Swedish	3 ♠	Splinter
2	GF with D	3 -	5-9; 4+ H	3NT	To play
other	4C/4D = splinters; 4S =	RKC	В		
1 ♠ 1NT	5–11; semi-forcing	2	5-9 3-card support	3	10–11; 3-card support
2♣	GF with C	2NT	12+ then Swedish	3♠	weak; 4+ S
2	GF with D	3 -	5 -9 ; 4+ S	3NT	To play
2♥	GF with H	3◆	10-11; 4+ S	4	Splinter
other	4D/4H = splinters				
1NT 3♣	6+ C; 2 of top 3 hons.	3	6+ S; 2 of top 3 hons.	4	n/a
3◆	6+ D; 2 of top 3 hons.	3NT	To play	4	To play
3♥	6+ H; 2 of top 3 hons.	4	Gerber	4	To play
other	3H/3S = Smolen				
2♣ 2♦	Constructive	2NT	5+ H; 2 of top 3	3	n/a
2	Less than 2 Qs	3 -	6+ C; 2 of top 3	3 ♠	n/a
2♠	5+ S; 2 of top 3	3	6+ D; 2 of top 3	3NT	n/a
other	n/a				
2♦ 2♥	H; 1-round force	3 ♣	C; 1-round force	3	Dropable; preemptive
2♠	S; 1-round force	3	Competitive	3NT	To play
2NT	Enquiry; Swedish resp.	3♥	Dropable; preemptive	4	Preemptive
other	4D = preemptive; 4M =	Тор	lay		
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2	2	S; 1-round force	3	D; 1-round force	3NT	To play
	2NT	Enquiry/Swedish resp.	3 Y	Competitive	4	/4D n/a
	3 -	C 1-round force	3 ^	n/a	4	To play
	other	4S = RKCB				
2	2NT	Enquiry/Swedish resp.	3 \	H; 1-round force	4	/4D n/a
	3 -	C; 1-round force	3 ^	Competitive	4	To play
	3	D; 1-round force	3NT	To play	4	To play
	other					
2NT	3 -	Puppet Stayman	3 ^	Tfr to m	4	Minorwood
	3	Tfr to H	3NT	To play	4	To play
	3 Y	Tfr to S	4	Minorwood	4	To play
	other					

Leben. (X = HCP; bid below 2NT = competitive; [2C] X = Stayma **Over 1NT Interference** Lebensohl - other uses over [weak 2] X

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ X

4♥ X

1 % / 2 %

4♠ X

10. OTHER NOTES

All 2NT over our weak 2s are enquiries. Then Swedish responses.

Responder's cue of opponent's suit = telling at the 2 level and asking at the 3 level.