

Note...1: 2 WAY CHECKBACK

After 1♣/1♦ opening and 1NT rebid 2♣ & 2♦ by responder are artificial.

1♣/1♦ 1♥/1♠

1NT 2♣ puppets to 2♦

2♦ further bids by responder are natural with invitational values

1♣/1♦ 1♥/1♠

1NT 2♦ is artificial and game forcing. All further bidding is natural

Note...2: TRANSFERS after 1NT Opening

1NT 2♦ TFR to 2♥

2♥ TFR to 2♠

2♠ TFR to 3♣ (weak in either minor). 2NT by opener super-accepts for ♣'s with high honour to 3+ cards

Super-accepts are not systemic after TFRs to majors

Note...3: MICHAELS CUE BID

Cue bid of NAT minor shows both majors 5-5+

Cue bid of major shows other major & undisclosed minor 5-5+. 2NT enquires

Strength is wide-ranging but distribution never compromised. Expect to have:

5 losers at adverse vulnerability

6 losers at equal vulnerability

7 losers at favourable vulnerability

Responder bids to a level appropriate to the fit, cover cards held and vulnerability

Note...4: KOKISH after 2♣ 2♦

2♣ 2♦

2♥ KOKISH. puppets to 2♠

2♠

2NT 24+ bal. Same bidding as over 2NT opening

3♣/3♦/3♠ long strong ♥'s with 4 cards in the denomination named (or weak 5 card suit)

3♥ ♥ single suiter

4♣/4♦/4♠ ♥'s and a chunky 5card suit in denomination named. 4NT is RKC for ♥'s

Note...5: ROMAN KEY CARD (RKC)

1430. 4NT is RKC after major suit agreement or when last bid was a jump rebid by opener or jump shift by responder.

Key cards are 4 Aces & trump King. Steps : 1 or 4, 0 or 3, 2 without trump Queen, 2 with trump Q
Subsequent 5NT asks specific Kings and guarantees all 5 key cards and trump Queen held.

After a step 1 or 2 response next suit up (excluding 5 of trump suit) asks for trump Q. Without it sign off in suit at lowest level. With Q and outside K's run on with specific Kings or accept slam invitation with Q alone.

4♣/4♦ are always RKC in uncontested auctions after suit agreement.

After response to RKC ask for Q with next suit (excluding 5 of minor). Lacking Q but with 2 outside K's bid 4NT if possible. Without Q bid 5 of minor, with Q alone bid 6 of minor. With Q run on with specific Kings.

If Q known or irrelevant ask for specific Kings with 4NT or lowest suit bid (not 5 of trump suit)

Note...6: Bidding Structure after Opening 2NT or stronger equivalents

2NT = 20-21 bal. 2♣ 2♦, 2NT = 22-23 bal. 2♣ 2♦, 2♥ 2♠, 2NT = 24+ bal.

2NT

3♣ = PUPPET STAYMAN

3♦ = TFR to 3♥

3♥ = TFR to 3♠

3♠ = 5♠'s & 4♥'s

3NT = to play

4♣ = GERBER

4♦ = RKC in ♦'s

4♥ = mild slam try ♥'s

4♠ = RKC in ♠'s

4NT = both minors, weak

With a stronger hand,(26+) opener raises the contract 1 or more levels or bids a 5 card suit at the next level. Without support responder counter tries with long suit or bids NT at the appropriate level

Note...7: Bidding Structure after 2♣ Opening

2♣ = 22+ bal or 9+ playing tricks
2♦ = 4+ hcp, neutral
2♥ = 0-3 hcp, any dist. Natural continuations. Not all inferred 2 suiters with ♥'s shown.
2♠/3♣/3♦/3♥ = good texture suits (3 of top 4 hons), 8+ hcp, 3+ controls
2NT = 8-10 bal, not 3 controls. 3♣ by opener is STAYMAN
3NT = 11-12 bal, no more than 3 controls. 4♣ by opener is GERBER

2♣ 2♦
2♥ 2♠ KOKISH 2♥ puppets to 2♠
2NT = 24+ bal. Subsequent bidding as for 2NT opening. See Note6
3♣/3♦/3♠ = Long ♥'s with 4 card suit in denomination named.
3♥ = ♥ single suiter
4♣/4♦/4♠ = long ♥'s and chunky 5 card suits in denomination named. 4NT is RKC for ♥'s

2♣ 2♦
2♠ = NAT, fast arrival with support
2NT = 22-23 bal. Same bidding as for 2NT opening
3♣ = ♣ single or 2-suiter. Responder may bid waiting 3♦ with 4 card major
3♦ = unbalanced ♦ hand, no 4-card major
3♥/3♠ = long ♦'s and 4♥/4♠
4♣/4♦ = RKC in ♣'s/♦'s
other bids not systemic

Note...8: SPLINTERS after 1♥/1♠ Opening

SPLINTERS show 9-12 hcp, shortness in bid suit and 4+ card support.
Cue bids and RKC

Note:..9: SEMI- FORCING 1NT after opening 1♥/1♠

The SEMI- FORCING 1NT shows 6-11 points and one of 3 hand types:

An invitational raise of the major with 3 card support and no singleton

An invitational hand in NT (good 10-11) or in support of better minor (with 5-card support)

A hand of 6-9 points with no 3 card support for the major.

With a balanced 11-12 and no weak doubleton opener passes 1NT. Otherwise NAT bids or better minor.

With 4♠/5♥/2♦/2♣ bid 2♣.

A raise to 2NT will show 16-17, to 3NT 18+ bal

1♥ 1NT (Semi-F)
2♣/2♦ = better minor
then P = best spot opposite 3 ♣'s
2♦ = long suit, 6-10 hcp
2♥ = 6-10, doubleton support
2NT = 10-11 hcp, other suits stopped, inv
3♣ = 10-11 hcp, 5+ ♣'s
3♥ = inv. raise, 3 card support, no singleton
2♥ = NAT, 6 cards
2♠ = NAT, forcing. ♥'s longer than ♠'s
2NT = 16-17 bal
3♣/3♦ = NAT, game forcing
3♥ = NAT, long strong suit, inv.

1♠ 1NT
2♣/2♦ = better minor
then P = best spot opposite 5♠'s, 3+ ♣'s
2♦/2♥ = 6 -card suit, 6-10 hcp
2♠ = 6-10, doubleton support
2NT = 10-11, stoppers, inv
3♣/3♦ = 10-11 hcp, 5 card support
3♠ = inv. raise, 3 card support, no singleton
2♥ = NAT, 4+ ♥'s
2♠ = 6 ♠'s
2NT = 16=17 bal
3♣/3♦/3♥ = NAT, game forcing
3♠ = NAT. long strong suit, inv