

| OPENING BIDS | Point Range | Min. Length | CONVENTIONAL MEANING | SPECIAL RESPONSES |
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| 1♣ | 10-19 | 3 | AT LEAST 3 | 1NT = 8 – 10 with clubs: LIMIT RAISES |
| 1♦ | 10-19 | 3 | AT LEAST 3 | 1NT = 5 – 10 : LIMIT RAISES |
| 1♥ | 10-19 | 5 | | +Forcing NT = 5 – 12 : Bergen Raises: Jacoby 2NT – SEE NOTE 5 |
| 1♠ | 10-19 | 5 | | AS FOR ABOVE |
| 1NT | 15 – 17 | BAL | | 2c = stayman 3c = 5 CARD G/F PUPPET STAYMAN - TRANSFERS TO ALL SUITS SEE NOTE 1 |
| 2♣ | 24+ | 0 | GAME FORCING | 2♦ = 5+ HCP: 2♥ = 0 – 4 HCP: |
| 2♦ | | 0 | 2 – way Multi | 2♥ = RELAY – SEE NOTE 2 |
| 2♥ | 5-9 | 5/5 - 4 | WEAK ♥ & other | 2NT RELAY – SEE NOTE 3 |
| 2♠ | 5-9 | 5/5 - 4 | WEAK ♠ & minor | 2NT RELAY – SEE NOTES 3 |
| 2NT | 20-21 | BAL | | 3♣ = 5 CARD PUPPET STAYMAN.; 3♦ & 3♥ = TRANSFERS TO THE MAJORS; 4 LEVEL SUIT BIDS = RKCB |
| 3 bids | 4-9 | 6/7 | PRE-EMPTIVE | |
| 4 bids | | 7/8 | STRONG PRE-EMPT | |

| SPECIAL USES OF DOUBLES: |
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| RESPONSIVE DOUBLES <u>UP TO 4♦</u> |
| NEGATIVE DOUBLES |

| SLAM CONVENTIONS | Meaning of Responses | Action over interference |
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| Name: Roman Key Card Blackwood 1430 Minor suit slams 4 of the agreed suit is RKCB. Responses = next suit up is 1 or 4 etc. | 5♣ = 1 OR 4 5♦ = 3 OR 0 5♥ = 2 KEY CARDS WITHOUT THE QUEEN 5♠ = 2 KEY CARDS WITH THE QUEEN | DOPI ROPI |

| DEFENSIVE BIDS | | | |
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| OVER-CALLS | Meaning | OPPONENTS OPEN | Defensive Methods |
| Simple | 5-15 AT LEAST 5 CARD SUIT | Strong 1♣ | TRUSCOTT |
| Jump | INTERMEDIATE 12 - 16 | Weak 1NT | SEE NOTE 4 |
| Cue Bid | MICHAELS | Strong 1NT | SEE NOTE 4 |
| 1NT | Direct 15-17 | Weak 2 | X = TAKEOUT. 2NT = 17-20 SUIT BID ARE NATURAL |
| | Protective 11-14 | | |
| 2NT | Responses AS FOR OPENING NT | Weak 3 | X = TAKEOUT: 3NT TO PLAY. SUIT BIDS ARE NATURAL |
| | Direct UNUSUAL 20-21 | 4 bids | X = OPTIONAL WITH WINNERS 4NT = 2 PLACES TO PLAY |
| | Responses AS FOR OPENING 2NT | MULTI | X = 13 – 16: 2NT = 17 – 20 SUIT BIDS ARE NATURAL |

| ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH | | | | | |
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| Simple Overcall | Double | NEG. UP TO 3♠ | Bids | NAT F1 | |
| Jump Overcall | Double | NEG. UP TO 3♠ | Bids | NAT F1 | |
| Double | Redouble | New suit | Jump in new suit | Jump raise | 2NT |
| | 9 + HCP Penalty interest | NAT F1 | NATURAL & STRONG WITH A FIT FOR PTNR | PRE-EMPTIVE | SOUND RAISE |

Other Conventions: CHECKBACK 2♣:

| OPENING LEADS | v suit contracts | 4th, 3rd and 5th; | 4th, 2nd, MUD | | |
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| | AK K109 109x Hxx | <u>AK</u> x <u>QJ</u> 10 987x Hxx | <u>KQ</u> 10 <u>QJ</u> x 10xxx xx | <u>KQ</u> x <u>J</u> 10x Hxxx xxx | KJ10 10xx Hxxxx xxx |
| Other leads: | v NT contracts | 4th, 3rd and 5th; | 4th, 2nd, | | |
| | <u>AK</u> (x) K109 10xxx Hxxx Hxxx | A <u>J</u> 10x <u>QJ</u> 10 109x J(x)xx | <u>KQ</u> 10 <u>QJ</u> x 987x xx | <u>KQ</u> x <u>J</u> 10x Hxx xxx | KJ10 10xx Hxxxx xxx |

(In all the card combinations shown, circle the card normally lead if different from standard i.e. underlined card)

| CARDING METHODS | Describe Primary method. State alternative in brackets. |
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| On Partner's lead | COUNT |
| On Declarer's lead | COUNT |
| When Discarding | REVERSE ATTITUDE |
| Exceptions to above | MAY LEAD FROM 2/3 MAJOR TO A 1NT – 3NT AUCTION IF NOTHING MORE SUITABLE: CONSIDER J's NOT TO BE AN HONOUR |

SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

(Please cross reference to appropriate part of card)

(NOTE 1) 1NT OPENER 15 – 17

RESPONSES TO 1NT -

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| 2♣ = | STAYMAN |
| 2♦ & 2♥ = | TRANSFERS TO THE MAJORS |
| 2♠ = | TRANSFER TO ♣ |
| 2NT = | TRANSFER TO ♦ |
| 3♣ = | PUPPET STAYMAN |
| 3♥ & 3♠ = | SLAM TRY IN THAT SUIT AND RKCB |
| 4♣ & 4♦ = | SLAM TRY IN THAT SUIT AND RKCB |
| 4NT = | QUANTATIVE |

TRANSFERS CAN BE BROKEN TO A NEW SUIT OR NT TO SHOW A BALANCED HAND WITH 4 OF THE MAJOR OR 3 TO AN HONOUR WHEN BREAKING TO THE MINORS.

(NOTE 2) 2♦ = Weak 2 in a Major 5 – 10 : 22 – 23 Balanced:

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| RESPONSES | 2♥ = | ENQUIRY |
| | 4♣ = | BID 4♦ IF WEAK 2 IS IN ♥; BID 4♥ IF WEAK 2 IS IN ♠ |
| RESPONSES BY OPENER | PASS = | Weak 2 in ♥ 5 - 10 |
| | 2♠ = | Weak 2 in ♠ 5 - 10 |
| | 2NT = | 22-23 Balanced – Auction continues as for 2NT opening |

(NOTE 3) LUCAS 2's 5 – 9 : 2♥ = 5♥ & 5 OTHER SUIT: 2♠ = 5♥ AND A 5/6 CARD MINOR

Equal Vul openings will be 5/5 : Non – Vul v V can be 5/4 but always with 5 card major also could have 6 card minor)

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| | 2♠ = | ♥ and another |
| RESPONDER | 3 & 4♥ = | to play |
| | 2♠ = | Willing to play in spades if 2 nd suit or 3 of minor |
| | 2NT = | 15+ hcp – Enquiry bid |

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| OPENERS RESPONSES | 3♣ = | ♣ & 5 – 7 |
| | 3♦ = | ♦ & 5 – 7 |
| | 3♥ = | ♥ & ♠ 5 – 7 |
| | 3♠ = | ♥ & ♠ 8 – 10 |
| | 3NT = | ♥ & MINOR 8 – 10 |

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| RESPONDER | 2♠ = | ♠ & MINOR |
| | 3 & 4♠ = | to play |
| | 3♣ = | to play if 2 nd suit is clubs or convert to ♦ |
| | 2NT = | 15+ hcp – Enquiry bid |

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| OPENERS RESPONSES | 3♣ = | ♣ & 5 – 7 |
| | 3♦ = | ♦ & 5 – 7 |
| | 3♥ = | ♥ & ♠ & 8 – 10 |
| | 3♠ = | ♦ & ♠ & 8 – 10 |

(NOTE 4) MULTI LANDY – DEFENCE TO WEAK NT

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| | 2♣ = | BOTH MAJORS |
| | 2♦ = | SINGLE SUITED MAJOR 6+ |
| | 2♥ = | 5♥ AND A MINOR |
| | 2♠ = | 5♠ AND A MINOR |
| | 2NT = | 5 – 5 AT LEAST IN THE MINORS |
| | DBLE = | PENALTIES (15+) |

(NOTE 5) BERGEN STYLE RAISES & JACOBY

3♣ = 6 – 9 & 4 CARD SUPPORT : 3♦ = 10 – 12 & 4 CARD SUPPORT: 3♠/3♥ = 0 – 5 & 4 CARD SUPPORT
OVER 1♥ 2♠ = 3 CARD SUPPORT & 10/11HCP: OVER 1♠ 3♥ = 3 CARD SUPPORT AND 10/11 HCP.
2NT = 13 + GAME GOING HAND WITH SLAM INTEREST IF STRONGER AND 4 CARD SUPPORT



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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Bidding Methods:- 5 CARD MAJORS & FORCING NT: BERGEN RAISES, JACOBY
2NT: 2 OVER 1 GAME FORCING: 2 – WAY MULTI 2♦ : LUCAS 2 BIDS

Style of leads, signals, discards

2ND, 4TH, M.U.D.: COUNT : REVERSE ATTITUDE

ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

JUMP OVERCALLS : WEAK 5 - 10

STRENGTH OF 1NT OPENERS: 15 - 17

2♣ RESPONSE TO 1NT OPENER IS: **STAYMAN**

3♣ RESPONSE TO 1NT OPENER IS GAME FORCING: **5 CARD PUPPET STAYMAN 10+HCP**

Both players of a partnership must have identically completed convention cards.

Cards must be exchanged with opponents for each round.

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