

Key Card Blackwood

Puppet Stayman

3C bid over 2NT looking for 4-4 or 5-3 card major fit

2NT - 3C - 3D - denies a 5 card major but shows a 4 card major.

- 3H denies 4 hearts but shows 4 spades
- Opener then bids 3NT or 4S
- 3S denies 4 spades but shows 4 hearts
- Opener then bids 3NT or 4H
- 4C 4-4 in both majors
- Opener then bids better 4 card major
- 3NT No 4 card major. (Originally looking for 5-3 fit)

3H - Shows 5 hearts

3S - Shows 5 spades

3NT - denies a 4 or 5 card major

A. In response to 4NT

5♣ - 0 or 3 of the 5 Aces (4 Aces + the Trump King)

5♦ - 1 or 4 of the 5 Aces

5♥ - 2 of the 5 Aces

5♠ - 2 of the 5 Aces + trump Queen

5NT - 2 of the 5 aces + useful void

6 level below trump suit - 1 of 5 Aces + void in suit bid

6 trump suit - 1 of 5 Aces + unbiddable void

After a 5♥ / 5♠ response

- 5NT asks for lowest 2nd round control (king or singleton in that suit.)

B. After a 5♣ / 5♦ response

-- a 5 level bid in an unbid suit (and not the next higher suit) assumes 0/1 Aces and asks to stop in 5NT. If 3 / 4 Aces bid 6 trump suit

-- a 5 level bid in the trump suit is a sign-off facing 0/1 Aces, otherwise it asks for the Trump Queen.

- the cheapest suit denies Q trumps but has 2nd round control higher than trump suit.

-- 5NT would then ask for 2nd round control.

-- 5NT (when not cheapest) shows Q but no 2nd round control.

-- 6 of trump suit denies both Q and 2rd control

-- 6 of new suit shows both Q and 2rd control in that suit.

- 5NT asks for lowest 2nd round control

Without suit agreement 4NT is normal Blackwood

Over 1NT and 2NT - 4NT is quantitative