

OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES
1♣		4	~11+ HCPts)	Inverted raises (Note 1)
1♦		4	~11+ HCPts)	Inverted raises (Note 1)
1♥		4	~11+ HCPts	2NT = Jacoby (Notes 1,9)
1♠		4	~11+ HCPts	2NT = Jacoby (Notes 1,9)
1NT	~12-14	2		Stayman, transfers (Note 2), Helvic Wriggle (Note 3)
2♣		0	9.5+ pl trs or 23+ bal	Ace showing (Note 4)
2♦		0	3-way Multi : weak Maj / strong Min / 19-20 bal	2H,2S = pass or correct 2NT = strong enquiry
2♥		5	7.5 - 9 pl trs (not fcg)	
2♠		5	7.5 - 9 pl trs (not fcg)	
2NT	21-22	2		3C = Baron (Note 7)
3 bids	5+	6	Pre-emptive	
4 bids	5+	7	To play	

DEFENSIVE BIDS			
OVER-CALLS	Meaning	OPPONENTS OPEN	Defensive Methods
Simple	Natural, wide-ranging	Strong 1♣	Natural
Jump	Weak	Weak 1NT	Multi Landy (see Note 6)
Cue Bid	Michaels	Strong 1NT	Multi Landy (see Note 6)
1 NT	Direct 15-17	Weak 2	Double for T/O. Can be) left for penalty.) Leaping Michaels over Wk 2 (Note 8)
	Protective 12-17 Responses	Weak 3	
2NT	Direct Unusual NT - 10 cards in two	4 bids	Optional double
	Protective Responses lowest suits	MULTI	Natural

ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH					
Simple Overcall		Double	Negative	Bids	UCB sound raise New suit nat F1
Jump Overcall		Double	Negative	Bids	
Double	Redouble 10+ points, denies fit	New suit Nat, F1	Jump in new suit	Jump raise Stretch (pre-empt)	2NT Sound raise to 3-level

SPECIAL USES OF DOUBLES:
Support Doubles

SLAM CONVENTIONS	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
Name:		
RKCB	1430	DOPI / ROPI
	Responses to 5NT King-ask show <u>either</u> that King held, or two Kings missing that one	

Other Conventions: Fourth Suit Forcing - forcing to 2NT except at 1-level
Unusual NT
Checkback Stayman

OPENING LEADS	v suit contracts	4th, 3rd and 5th;		
<div>Attach Red Spot, or hatch over, if using non- standard leads</div>	AK K109 109x Hxx	AKx QJ10 987x Hxx	KQ10 QJx 10xxx xx	KQx J10x Hxxx xxx	KJ10 10xx Hxxxx xxx
Other leads:	v NT contracts	4th, 3rd and 5th;		
	AKx(x) K109 10xxx Hxxx	AJ10x QJ10 109x Hxxx	KQ10 QJx 987x xx	KQx J10x Hxx xxx	KJ10 10xx Hxxx x 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.
On Partner's lead	High = encouraging, Low = discouraging. Give Count on K lead.
On Declarer's lead	Suit Preference
When Discarding	McKenney
Exceptions to above	

SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

(Please cross reference to appropriate part of card)

Note 1: With Inverted Minors and Jacoby, system is ON after intervening double, but OFF after preceding or intervening opposition bid.

Note 2: Responses/Transfers to 1NT:

2C 4-card Stayman
2D > 2H, 2H > 2S, 2S > 3C

Note 3: Helvic Wriggle. When 1NT is doubled, Stayman and transfers are off. Suit bid shows lower of two 4-card suits. Redouble shows unspecified 5-card suit in weak hand. Opener bids 2C, pass or correct.

Note 4: Response to 2C opener:

- 2D shows no Aces (but otherwise unlimited points)
- 2H, 2S, 3C, 3D show that Ace (only)
- 2NT shows two Aces.

Note 5: After 1 suit - 1 Maj - 1NT, 2C is Checkback Stayman looking for 4-4 or 5-3 fit.

Note 6: Multi-Landy defence to 1NT:

- 2C shows both Majors
- 2D shows unspc 6-card suit: partners bids 2H, pass or correct
- 2H shows Hearts + Minor
- 2S shows Spades + Minor.

Note 7: Baron 3C over opening 2NT:

Partner to bid 4-card suits (incl Diamonds) in ascending order.

Note 8: Leaping Michaels over Weak 2:

Over 2D:

- 3D asks for stop
- 3H/S = Natural and strong
- 4C = Clubs + Major (4D reply asks which Major)
- 4D = Both Majors

Over 2H:

- 3H asks for stop
- 3S = Natural and strong
- 4C = Clubs + Spades
- 4D = Diamonds + Spades
- 4NT = Minors

Over 2S:

- 3S asks for stop
- 4C = Clubs + Hearts
- 4D = Diamonds + Hearts
- 4NT = Minors

Note 9: Jacoby 2NT in response to opening 1H/1S: Strong support but not g/f. Opener rebids:

- 3C = minimum
- 3D = 15+, no void or singleton
- 3H / 3S / 3NT = void or singleton Club / Diamond / other Major



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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Bidding Methods:- Acol with 4-card Majors and 3-way 2D Multi

Style of leads, signals, discards:-

Standard signals, McKenney discards

4th highest from long suit / top of short suit against NT

ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

2D = 3-way Multi (Weak Major or Strong Minor or 19-20 bal)

2H/2S = 7.5-9 pl trs, not forcing

Weak jump overcalls

Ace responses to 2C opener

STRENGTH OF 1NT OPENERS: ~ 12-14

2♣ RESPONSE TO 1NT OPENER IS: Stayman

Both players of a partnership must have identically completed convention cards.
Cards must be exchanged with opponents for each round.