

OTHER OPENING BIDS					
	HCP	See note	Min length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES Notes
1♣	10		4	Splinters ; invm raises	
1♦	10		4	Splinters; invm raises	
1♥	10		4	Splinters/J2NT/3NT=pudding raise	
1♠	10		4		
3 bids	>0		6nv 7v		
4 bids	>0				
*(Please enter your normal HCP range in the HCP column. Please tick box if you have any special agreements involving different values in particular positions (e.g. light openings in third seat) and include further details under Supplementary Details).					
DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN					
OPPONENTS OPEN A NATURAL ONE OF A SUIT			CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Simple overcall					
Jump overcall			Weak strength dependent upon vulnerability		
Cue bid			MICHAELS CUE BID 5+/5+		
1NT	Direct: Protective:	15+/18- 10-14+			
2NT	Direct: Protective	UNT 21-22			
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes	
Strong 1♣		NATURAL – but can be very weak nv			
Short 1♣/1♦		NATURAL			
Weak 1NT		NATURAL			
Strong 1NT		NATURAL			
Weak 2		XTO			
Weak 3		XTO			
4 bids					
Multi 2♦					
SLAM CONVENTIONS					
Name		Meaning of Responses		Action over interference	
RKCB		3041 52 52+Q			

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS		
Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents		
Level to which negative doubles apply	3 ♠	
Special meaning of bids	CUE=good raise Raises are preemptive	
Exceptions / other agreements		
Agreements after opponents double for takeout		
Redouble 10+ no fit	New suit NAT F1	Jump in new suit Weak
Jump raise	2NT	Other
PRE	INV RAISE	
Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles 1NT (2x) X= TO – similarly 1NT (2x) P P X=TO		
OTHER CONVENTIONS		
RAISES IN COMPETITION ARE PREEMPTIVE UNASSUMING CUE BID (cue=GOOD RAISE in context) CHECKBACK 2 ♣ and 3 ♣		
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS		
(Please cross-reference where appropriate to the relevant part of card, and continue on back).		

OPENING LEADS							
(For all the card combinations shown, clearly mark the card normally led if different from the underlined card).							
v. suit cont ract s	A <u>K</u>	<u>A</u> K x	K <u>Q</u> 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	9 <u>8</u> 7 x	10 x x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
	H x x <u>x</u>	H x x <u>x</u> x	H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	x <u>x</u> x	x <u>x</u> x x	
v. NT cont ract s	<u>A</u> K x (<u>x</u>)	<u>A</u> J 10 x	K <u>Q</u> 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	9 <u>8</u> 7 x	10 x x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
	H x x <u>x</u>	H x x <u>x</u> x	H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	x <u>x</u> x	x <u>x</u> x x	
Other agreements in leading, e.g. high level contracts, partnership suits:- Ace asks for attitude, King asks for count A(K)/2/4 leads							
CARDING METHODS							
Signals	Primary method v suit contracts			Primary method v NT contracts			
On Partner's lead	HI = EVEN			HI = EVEN			
On Declarer's lead							
When discarding	ODD=Encouraging EVEN=McKenny						
Other carding agreements, including secondary methods (state when applicable) and exceptions to above							
SUIT PREFERENCE SIGNALS HI=ENCOURAGING							
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (continued)							
Kokish Relay : 2C 2D 2H 2S - 2NT = game forcing balanced hand (2D 2H 2S relays) 2C 2D 2NT : 23-25 balanced – not forcing							

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS		
ACOL; 4 Card Majors; 12/14 NT; Weak 2♦ 2♥ 2♠		
1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES		
Strength	12 - 14	If artificial give details below and make obvious by shading in grey the cell on right.
Shape constraints	5332/4432/4333	We often upgrade or downgrade hands
Responses	2♣ STAYMAN (non promisory) or invitational balanced raise	
2♦	Transfer	2♥ Transfer
2♠	Transfer to ♣	2NT Transfer to ♦
Others		
Action after opponents double	All natural	
Action after other interference	X=TO , LEBENSOHL (SLOW SHOWS)	
TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES		
	Meaning	Responses
2♣	23-25 Balanced or GF Artificial	2♦ Waiting ; Kokish Relay (1)
2♦	Weak - usually 6-10	2NT enq for feature RAISE only NF
2♥	Weak – usually 6-10	2NT enq for shortage RAISE only NF
2♠	Weak – usually 6-10	2NT enq for shortage RAISE only NF
2NT	20+-22 NATURAL 3♣ puppet Stayman 3♦/3♥ Transfers; 3♠=5♠4♥	
OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE		
(Please include details of any agreements involving bidding on significantly less than traditional values). At 3 rd seat n.v. Opening bids might be lighter than usual When partner has passed overcalls (including jumps) often are lighter than expected We constantly upgrade or downgrade hand strength according to honour concentration and suit lengths when opening 1NT and 2NT		