OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	
1*	12-19	4	Inverted minors		
1♦	12-19	4		2 over 1 shows 10+ Splinters, followed by cue bids	
1♥	12-19	4	After	1 of major, 2NT reply is Jacoby (16+)	
1 🛦	12-19	4	3NT is pudding raise, 12 - 15 After 1S, 1NT denies 3 spades		
1NT	12/14			Non promissary Stayman, trf to Ms 2S = 6 clubs, 2NT = 6 diamonds.Opener breaks trf with 3 to honour. Par bids minor or 3NT 3X shows slam interest. Extended stayman	
2*			8 tricks or 22/23 flat	2D relay	
2♦			Game force	2H relay	
2H/S	6-10	6		Ogust	
2NT	20/21			Puppet 5 crd Stayman, trfs to Ms ( 3S = 4 hearts & 5spades)	
3 bids	Weak	7			
3NT			Solid minor,		

DEFENSIVE BIDS					
OVER- CALLS	Meaning	OPPONENT S OPEN	Defensive Methods		
Simple		Strong 1C	X = majors, 1NT = minors, suit bids natural		
		Prepared 1.	2C GHESTEM		
Jump	Weak / intermed	Weak 1NT	Landy (at least 5/4)		
Cue Bid	Ghestem (CRO) 5/6 loser hand	Strong 1NT	Landy (at least 5/4)		
1 NT	Direct Protective 15 – 17 11 - 14	Weak 2	X for t/o + lebensohl, 2 NT to play (15-17) Cue = michaels . 3NT = minors, 4NT strong in minors		
	Responses	Weak 3	X = t/o, 2 or 3 places to play. NT to play		
Cue,2NT	Direct Protective CRO Ghestem	4 bids	X = t/o		
3C		MULTI	X for t/o, lebensohl		

#### ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH

Simple Overc	all	Double Sputnik to 3S		Bids	Natural	
Jump Overca	II	Double Sputnik to 3S		Bids	Natural	
Double	Redouble		Jump raise	21	IT	
	10 + points		Stretched	Sound ra	ise to 3	

When opps have bid 2 suits, X = 4/4 or 4/5 in other two suits, 1NT = 5/5, and 2NT = at least 6/5Sputnik shows other major 1C - 1D - X = both Ms. So, 1C - 1D - 1H/S might only show 4 card suit. 1D - 2C - X shows at least one major Support doubles (shows 3 card support)

SLAM CONVENTIONS	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
Name:		
RKB	14,30 (last suit bid if suit not agree	ed) 5NT shows 2 plus a void
	then 6C asks for kings	
	Otherwise 5NT asks for kings,	
Gerber	C ·	
(directly after any NT opener or rebid)	4C asks for aces, 0/4,1,2,3	
	5C asks for kings,	

OPENING LEADS	v suit contracts	4th, 3r	d and 5th;			
Attach Red Spot, or hatch over, if using non- standard leads		A <u>K</u> K <u>10</u> 9 <u>10</u> 9x Hxx <u>x</u>	<u>A</u> Kx QJ10 9 <u>8</u> 7x Hx <u>x</u>	KQ10 QJx 10xx <u>x</u> <u>x</u> x	<u>K</u> Qx J10x Hxx <u>x</u> x x <u>x</u> x	K <u>J</u> 10 10x <u>x</u> Hxx <u>x</u> xx x <u>x</u> xx
Other leads:	v NT contracts	4th, 3r	d and 5th;			
	<u>AKx(x)</u> K <u>10</u> 9 10xx <u>x</u> Hxx <u>x</u> x	A <u>J</u> 10x QJ10 10 <u>9</u> x Hxx <u>x</u>	<u>K</u> Q10 QJx 9 <u>8</u> 7x <u>x</u> x	<u>K</u> Qx J10x Hx <u>x</u> x <u>x</u> x	K <u>J</u> 10 10x <u>x</u> Hxx <u>x</u> xx x <u>x</u> xx	

CARDING METHODS	Describe Primary method. State alternative in brackets.
On Partner's lead	A attitude, K count
On Declarer's lead	Count
When Discarding	1 <sup>st</sup> disc in NT is McKenney, in suit attitude. Thereafter count.
Exceptions to above	SPS if appropriate

#### Other conventions

Checkback. [After 1x – 2y – 2NT (shows 15 – 19), 3D reply to checkback shows 18/19] Lebensohl (SADS) after opps o/call of 1NT, and weak twos doubled UCBs after par's major suit o/call. After a minor suit o/call, looking for NT CRO Ghestem. Shows 5/6 loser hand. Stretch bids

### SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (Please cross reference to appropriate part of card)

**Wriggle/Helvic** over any 1NT doubled. PASS asks par to XX. Then pass or helvic.

XX shows 5 clubs, weak. Any other suit is a transfer, weak. BUT, if X is in 4<sup>th</sup> suit, XX shows a 5card suit, any suit is helvic

**When partner opens, and is overcalled** Cue bid of opponent's suit is looking for a stop for NT

**Checkback** – after NT rebid, 2C is checkback. With no possible major fit, bid 2D with max, 2NT with min

1X – 2Y – 2NT is 15–19, forcing.
3C is now range enquiring checkback
Replies: 3D shows 18/19. 3H/S explores possible major fit, 15-17. 3NT is 15/17, no interest in possible major fit.

After 3D reply, responder can now explore possible major fit. 4NT is Blackwood, no interest in major fit. 3NT to play

1X – 1Y – 1NT is 15/17 2NT is18/19 3NT to play (based on a long suit)

Jacoby 2NT (off after overcall) After partner opens 1M, then 2NT shows 16+, and agrees suit Openers rebids: 3x is singleton or void, 4x is another suit 3M is good hand, none of above, 4M is min hand, none of above



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# GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Bidding Methods:- Benji Acol, 12/14 NT

Style of leads, signals, discards:- Standard leads (second and fourth) Standard attitude signals . Normal count

## ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

STRENGTH OF 1NT OPENERS: 12/14

2. RESPONSE TO 1NT OPENER IS Non promissary Stayman

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

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