

OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES		
1♣	11+	4		Limit raises 1 NT response 5-9 points 2 over 1 change of suit 10+ points. Jump shift 13+ points		
1♦	11+	4				
1♥	11+	4				
1♠	11+	4				
1NT	12-14		Balanced	Stayman, transfers, including minors		
2♣	23+		Game force	2D – negative, 2NT double negative		
2♦	8 tricks or 22/23					
2♥	6+10					
2♠	6+10					
2NT	20/21		balanced	5 card Stayman, transfer to majors		
3 bids	6+	7	Pre-empt			
4 bids	10+	7	Pre-empt			
DEFENSIVE BIDS						
OVER-CALLS	Meaning		OPPONENTS OPEN	Defensive Methods		
Simple	10+ HCP, 5 card suit.					
Jump	6-10 HCP, 6 card suit		Weak 1 NY	ASTRO		
Cue Bid	Michaels		Strong 1NT	ASTRO		
1 NT	overcall 15-17 points		Weak 2 Weak 3	lebensohl Note 2		
2NT	Minors		Multi	Note 1		
ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH						
Simple Overcall		Double NEG to 4♦ Bids Natural - forcing				
Jump Overcall		Double NEG to 4♦ Bids Natural - forcing				
Double		Redouble	New suit	Jump in new suit	Jump raise	2NT
		10+. Penalty interest	Natural	Forcing	Pre-emptive	Good raise

SPECIAL USES OF DOUBLES:		
Doubles are takeout except in these penalty situations: Double of 1NT opener Double when our side has made any natural NT bid Double when partner has opened a pre-empt Double of opponent's game		
SLAM CONVENTIONS	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
RKCB 1430 4NT	5C=1/4, 5D=0/3, 5H=2, 5S=2+queen	DOP1 (double=0, pass=1, next step=2 etc) ROP1 redouble 0 pass 1
5NT	Cue Bid outside kings	
Gerber (over NT only)	4D=0/4, 4H=1, 4S=2, 4NT=3	

Other Conventions: Unassuming cue bids

Checkback

Splinters

4th suit forcing

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Gerber over NT

OPENING LEADS	v Suit contracts: Top of sequence, 4 th or 2 nd highest. Against NT 2nd and 4th.				
	A K	A Kx	K Q10	K Qx	K J10
	K 109	Q J10	Q Jx	J 10x	10 xx
	10 9x	9 87x	10 xx	H xx	H xx
v NT contracts: Top of sequence and 4 th highest					
	A Kx(x)	A J10x	K Q10	K Qx	K J10
	K 109	Q J10	Q Jx	J 10x	10 xx
	10 xx	10 9x	9 87x	H x	H xx
CARDING METHODS					
Describe Primary method. Alternative in brackets.					
On Partner's lead			Attitude – High encourages		
On Declarer's lead			Count – High card = even number and low card = odd number		
When Discarding			Reverse attitude		
Natural					

- Note 1 defence to multi 2♦ With a good suit, bid it.
Balanced hand 16+ points bid 2NT first opportunity
Dbl with 12-14 points second time around
- Note 2 defence to weak 2s Dbl is lebensohl
2NT 16+ with a stop, stayman and transfers apply
3 suit good 5 or 6 card suit, 13-16 pts



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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Weak NT, 4 card majors,

ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

Opening 1NT is 12-14 pts, 2♣ is 4 card Stayman, transfers.
