OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL SPECIAL MEANING RESPONSES		
1♣	10+	4	Natural	Natural and simple raises	
1♦	.do.	4	New suit at 1 level =5+	New suit at 2 level 8/9+	
1♥	.do.	4	2NT = 16+ with suppor	t, 3NT=13-15 with support	
1♠	.do.	5	Raise to game distributional hand. Splinter/Cue Bids		
1NT	12-14		STAYMAN 3way Tr	ansfers, Gerber	
2*		0	8PT or 18-22 u/b	2D=Waiting bid; suit bid=good 5 card suit 8++; 2NT=bal 8+	
2♦	5-9	6	Weak	Ogust feature showing iff	
2♥	5-9	6	Weak	partner has 9+hcp	
2♠	5-9	6	Weak	As above	
2NT	20-22		PUPPET STAYMAN	Gerber, Transfers	
3 bids	5-9	7	Pre-emptive 3NT = Gamb	oling (Solid minor)	
4 bids		7/8	Pre-emptive 7 solid suit;	8 broken suit	

DEFENSIVE BIDS				
OVER- CALLS	Meaning	OPPONENTS OPEN	Defensive Methods	
Simple	Natural	Strong 1.	Natural	
Jump	Wk when NV, else 11+ when Vul	Weak 1NT	Multi Landy; 2C= M; X=15/16+pts; Natural after passed hand	
Cue Bid	Michaels cue bid	Strong 1NT	Multi Landy; 2C=M, X=15/16+pts	
1 NT	Direct Protective 15-18 11-14	Weak 2	Take out X	
	Responses As 1NT As 1NT	Weak 3	Take out X	
2NT	Direct Protective 18+ Unusual	4 bids	X= Good Hand 17+ or T.O.	
		MULTI	X=13-15; 2NT=16-18 Suit Bid = Natural	

## **ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH**

Simple Overcall		Double	Penalty	Bids	Forci	ng
Jump Overcall		Double	Penalty	Bids	Forci	ng
Double	XX=9+ i fit;	no New su Nat F1		Raise level =		Good raise 10+

### SPECIAL USES OF DOUBLES:

X of a suit = take out

X of 1NT = 16+ points & is penalty orientated

### OTHER CONVENTIONS

FSF (except at 1 level), Michaels, UCBs, Splinters, Fit Bids, Stretch bids

**PUPPET Stayman over 2NT** 

**Interference over our NT is Natural** 

Minor based game Standard count

SLAM CONVENTIONS	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
Name: RKC Roman Key Card	Replies to 4NT are: 5C = 10r 4 Keycards; 5D = 3 or 0 Key the Queen of Trumps; 5S = 2 Aces wing Queen ask, if yes, bid first non-trumpat lowest level.  Replies to 5NT are: 5C = 0 kings; 5D = 1 king etc	th Q of Trumps

Other Conventions: Checkback Stayman; Unusual 2NT over Majors,

3NT overcall - 8PT with guards in opp suit.

Solve suit contracts | 4th, 3rd and 5th; | 4th and MIII

OPENING LEADS	v suit contracts	4th, 3rd and 5th;	4th and MUD	
	K109 Q 109x 99	$\begin{array}{ccc} Kx & \underline{K}Q1 \\ DJ10 & \underline{Q}Jx \\ \underline{8}7x & 10xx \\ \underline{x}x & \underline{x}x \end{array}$	<u>J</u> 10x	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, 3rd and 5th;	4th and MUD	
	<u>A</u> Kx(x) K <u>10</u> 9 10xx <u>x</u> Hxx <u>x</u> x	A <u>J</u> 10x QJ10 <u>10</u> 9x Hxx <u>x</u>	$\begin{array}{c c} \underline{K}Q10 & \underline{K}Qx \\ \underline{Q}Jx & \underline{J}10x \\ \underline{98}7x & Hx\underline{x} \\ \underline{x}x & x\underline{x}x \end{array}$	K <u>J</u> 10 10x <u>x</u> Hxx <u>x</u> x x x
(In all the card combinations	s shown, circle the card nor	mally lead if different from st	andard i.e. underlined card)	AAAA

CARDING METHODS	Describe Primary method. State alternative in brackets.
On Partner's lead	HI LO = Even number usually 2 cards: With 3 cards, M.U.D.
On Declarer's lead	.do.
When Discarding	Reverse Attitude when following suit, otherwise Rev. Att.
Exceptions to above	Discards are sometimes only discards or if they'll cost a trick

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

#### **System Reminders**

- 1) If you bid a new suit after instigating the Stayman Convention, you are showing a weak hand. Transfer after partner's 1NT to any minor is 2S (Alert).
- 2) If your side's first bid is a double of the opponents' suit, it is always for take out.
- 4NT after a suit bid is asking for keycards, but 4NT after a NT Bid is Quantitative.
- 4) Use Checkback Stayman with count of 3D when forced to bid at the 2 level.
- 5) Open with Rule of 20, occasionally 19.
- 6) If we overcall opponents opening bid with 1NT, then we use Transfers and Stayman.
- 7) Gerber over 1NT and 2NT opening bids
- 8) UCB, Cue bids, Splinters, FSF, Negative Doubles, Michaels, UNT.
- 9) Overcall of opponents' 1NT is Multi Landy or Natural (passed hand)
- 10) After 2D, 2H waiting or natural, 2S= good 5 card suit and >=10 is 2NT and balanced and no 5 card Major
- 11) Borrow K in Protective seat.
- 12) 4441 hands bid suit below singleton, or lower of 2 touching red suits. In
- 13) Over 1 suit, 2NT is 16+ (essentially balanced).

3 any other suit shows a shortage, 3 of that suit is slam try And 4 any other suit other than suit bid is a source of tricks.



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### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM**

Bidding Methods: 12-14 NT with 3 weak 2's

2C = 23 + or 8/9 playing tricks

Style of leads, signals, discards: - Top of sequence, 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> (M.U.D)

Reverse Attitude, Standard Count Discards: McKenney

## ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

2D, 2H and 2S opening bids are weak.

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.