

OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES
1♣	11+	3	<b>Better minor</b>  <b>5 card majors</b>	Limit raises 1 NT response 5-9 points 2 over 1 change of suit 10+ points. Jump shift 13+ points
1♦	11+	3		
1♥	11+	5		
1♠	11+	5		
1NT	15-17		Balanced	Stayman, transfers, including minors
2♣	23+		Game force or 8 playing tricks in a major	2D – negative, 2NT double negative
2♦	6+		3 way. Note 1	
2♥	6+		2H and 2S are Lucas,	
2♠	6+		Note 2	
2NT	21-22		balanced	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+ HCP, 6 card suit Note 3	Weak 1 NY	ASTRO
Cue Bid		Strong 1NT	ASTRO
1 NT	Direct 15+ 11-14 protective	Weak 2 Weak 3	Note 5
2NT	Minors	Multi	Note 4

### 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
	10+. Penalty interest	Natural	Forcing
		Jump raise	Pre-emptive
		2NT	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
- 4<sup>th</sup> suit forcing
- RKCB 14/30
- Gerber over NT

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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	McKinney
Natural	



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Note 1 multi 2♦ weak (6-10) in H or S, 8 playing tricks in C or D, 18-20 balanced  
Responses: relay to 2H or 2S with interest in H or 2NT asking for further information ie 3C upper range with hearts, 3D upper range with spades, lower range with hearts, 3S lower range with spades.

Note 2 Lucas Opening 2H or 2S shows 5 of the major and 4 of unspecified minor, weak 6-10 points, may be 8-12 in 3<sup>rd</sup> position. A response of 2NT asks for further description, namely 3C weak with clubs, 3D weak with diamonds, 3H upper range with clubs, 3S upper range with diamonds.

Note 3	WIIS	Non vul against Vul	weak 6-10 pts
		Non vul against non vul	intermediate 11-14
		Vul against Vul	intermediate 11-14
		Vul against non vul	strong 14+

Note 4 defence to multi 2♦ With a good suit, bid it.  
Dbl with 14+ points and no other suitable bid.

Note 5 defence to weak 2s Dbl is take out, 13-15 pts  
2NT 16+ with a stop, stayman and transfers apply  
3 suit good 6 card suit, 13-16 pts

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### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Strong NT, 5 card majors, better minor, multi 2♦, lucas2♥, 2♠  
McKinney discards

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### ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

Opening 1NT is 15-17 pts, 2♣ is 4 card Stayman, transfers.

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