

| OPENING | TICK IF ARTIFICIAL | MIN. NO. OF CARDS | NEG-DBL THRU | | | | |
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| | | | | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1♣ | ✓ | 2 | 4♦ | Nat or weak NT or 18-19 bal without ♦. | 2♣ = 4 card support, no mjr, inv+; 3♣ = 5-9; 2NT = 10-11 bal, 4 card support, no mjr; jump shift = weak, 6 card suit; 3NT = 13-15 bal, 4♣ 1♣ -1NT shows 4♣, bal | 1NT rebid = 11-14, 2-way checkback ; reverse = F1. 1♣ - 1x; 1M = 54 or 4441. | change of suit = NF jump shift = weak |
| 1♦ | | 4 | 4♦ | Unbal unless 18-19 bal | 1NT denies mjr; 2♣ = GF, 3♣ inv 6+ ♣; 2♦ GF 4+♦; 2M weak | 1NT rebid = 18-19, 2-way checkback ; reverse = F1; 1♦-1M; 2NT = 6+m, 3M, 15-17 | |
| 1♥ | | 5 | 4♦ | Promises 5 | 1NT = 6-11, may be unbalanced; 2♠=3♥, inv+; 2NT=4♥ GF; 3♣=4♥ inv; 3♦=4♥ 7-8; 3♥=4♥ weak; 4 new= 9-12 splinter; 3♠=any void; 3NT=♠ splinter 9-12 | 2 over 1 = FG; 1M -2any-2NT = 11-14, 3NT=18-19; 1♠ - 2♥ = 5+; reverse after 2 over 1 = extras; 1M-2any-3M = running suit, limited | Drury, fit jumps, change of suit = NF 1M-3M=5M, weak |
| 1♠ | | 5 | 4♦ | Promises 5 | 1NT = 6-11, may be unbalanced; 2NT=4♠, GF; 3C=4♠ inv; 3♦=4♠ 7-8; 3♥=3♠ inv+; 3♣=4♠ weak; 3NT = any void; 4new = 9-12 splinter | | |
| INT | | | | 15-17; 14 with 5 card suit; may include 5 card M or 6 m | Non-promissory Stayman; 4-suit transfers ; raise to 2NT through Stayman; 3m = slam try; 3M = 13(54) | 1NT (x) xx = single-suited take-out. After 1NT (2x) Lebensohl, weaker through 2NT | |
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| 2♣ | ✓ | 0 | 4♠ | GF unless 22-23 bal | 2♦ = relay; other bids positive | 2NT rebid = 22-23; 2♥ then 2NT = 24-25 respond as to opening 2NT | |
| 2♦ | | 6 (5 NV 3 rd) | n/a | 5-9 points, may have 4M, intermediate in 4 th | raises pre-emptive; 2NT inquiry; new suit F1 | responses to 2NT enquiry : 3♣=max; 3♦=min; 3M=max,4M | |
| 2♥ / ♠ | | 6 (5 NV 3 rd) | n/a | 5-9, normally denies 4 of other mjr intermediate in 4 th | new suit F1; 2NT inquiry jump shift = fit; raises pre-emptive over dbl new suit is NF | responses to 2NT enquiry: 3M=min; 3new = high card; 4new = shortage | |
| 2NT | | | | 20-21 bal, may have 5 card M or 6 card m; may have sngltn A | 5-card Puppet Stayman ; transfers to mjrs 3♠ = minors; 3NT=to play; 4♦/♥=Texas | Re-transfers | |
| 3♣ | | 6 | | weak | new suit F1; bid game to play | | |
| 3♦ | | 6 | | weak | new suit F1; bid game to play | | |
| 3♥ | | (6)7 | | weak | raises pre-emptive | | |
| 3♠ | | (6)7 | | weak | 4NT = RKCB | | |
| 3NT | ✓ | | | running minor, no more than Q outside | 4♣ = to play in minor; 4♦ asks for shortage 4M = to play | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING | |
| 4♣ / ♦ | | 7 | | weak, good shape | | RKCB (14/30); DOPI, ROPI; Exclusion RKCB | |
| 4♥ / ♠ | | 7 | | 1 st /2 nd – no more than K outside | 4NT = RKCB, new suit asks for control in suit above | If cue bid is doubled, redbl shows 1 st round control When cue bidding show cheapest, whether 1 st or 2 nd round control. | |
| 4NT | | | | Asks for specific aces | 5♣ = 0, 5NT = 2, 6♣ = ♣A | In competitive auction at 6 level dbl = one loser in opponents' suit, pass = 1 st round control. | |
| 5♣ / ♦ | | (7) 8 | | pre-emptive, highly distributional | | | |
| 5♥ / ♠ | | (7) 8 | | strong, highly distributional | Bid 6 with 1 top honour, bid 7 with 2 | If we bid vul game freely and opponents save, pass = forcing | |