OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES
1♣	10-20	4	NAT	Limit raises
1♦	10-20	4	(see note 1)	1 NT response 6-9 HCP
1♥	10-20	4		2 NT response – Jacoby* (note 6)
1♠	10-20	4		2 over 1 change of suit 10+ HCP Jump shift – 6 card Suit and 13+ HCP Splinters*
1NT	12-14			Stayman and Puppet Stayman* Major suit transfers* McKendrick* (note2)
2♣	20+	5	Strong balanced / game forcing 9+ playing tricks	2 D* relay/waiting 2NT = 10+HCP Suit bid=5+cards and 2 of top 3 honours
2♦	5-10	6	NAT pre-emptive	2NT* shows game interest
2♥	5-9	6		Ogust responses* (note 3)
2♠	5-9	6		Change of suit is to play
2NT	20-22			Puppet Stayman Major Suit Transfers
3 bids	5-10	7	NAT pre-emptive	Change of suit is forcing
4 bids	5-10	8	NAT pre-emptive	

DEFENSIVE BIDS

OVER-CALLS	Meaning	OPPONENTS OPEN	Defensive Methods
Simple	NAT, 5 card good suit. 8-17HCP (rule of 500)	Strong 1♣	NAT
Jump	NV - 5-10 HCP, 6+cards V – 11-15 HCP, 6+cards	Weak 1NT	Multi Landy (note 7)
Cue Bid	Michaels* (note 4)	Strong 1NT	NAT (Dbl for TO)
1 NT	Direct: 15-18 HCP Protective: 11-14 after 2 passes	Weak 2	2NT = 17-19 HCP Double for TO
	Responses: Stayman* Transfers*	Weak 3	3NT = 20+ HCP Double for TO
2NT	Direct: Unusual* (note 5)	4 bids	Optional Double
	Protective: 20-21 HCP Responses: Stayman* Transfers*	MULTI	Double for TO

ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH

Simple Overcall	Double NEG to 4♦	Bids	Natural - forcing
Jump Overcall	Double NEG to 4♦	Bids	Natural - forcing
Double	Responses natural		

SPECIAL USES OF DOUBLES:

Doubles are takeout except in these penalty situations:

Double of 1NT opener and overcall
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 or 5 no queen, 5S=2 or 5 and queen	D0P1 (double=0, pass=1, next step=2 etc)
	5NT	Cue bid outside kings	
Gerber (over NT only)		4D=0/4, 4H=1, 4S=2, 4NT=3	

Other Conventions: *4th Suit Forcing
*Unassuming Cue-bid = 8+ HCP and trump support for partners overcall
*Cue-bid by opener or responder shows strong hand in competition
Checkback Stayman
*Wriggle – Escape Transfer after 1NT-X

OPENING LEADS	v Suit contracts: Top of sequence, 4th or 2nd highest
	AK AKx KQ10 KQx KJ10 K109 QJ10 QJx J10x 10xx 109x 987x 10xxx Hxxxx Hxxxxx Hxxx Hxx xx xxx xxxx
	v NT contracts: Top of sequence and 4th highest
	AKx(x) AJ10x KQ10 KQx KJ10 K109 QJ10 QJx J10x 10xx 10xxx 109x 987x Hxx Hxxxx Hxxxx Hxxx xx xxx xxxx

CARDING METHODS	Describe Primary method. Alternative in brackets.
On Partner's lead	Reverse Attitude – Low encourages (Low-High=even number)
On Declarer's lead	
When Discarding	Reverse Attitude – Low encourages
	Suit preference leads and signals

| Note 1 | 4432 hands with 15-19 HCP | Always bid 1H with 4 hearts. Otherwise bid better minor |
| | 4441 hands | 1C or 1D |

Note 2 McKendrick After 1NT opener 2S* is 11HCP balanced or transfer to minor
2NT* is 12HCP balanced
Opener rebids 2NT* with 12-13 and 3C* with 13-14HCP
Responder passes or corrects to 3C, 3D or 3NT

Note 3 Ogust* responses 2H – pass – 2NT – pass. Opener now shows strength as follows:
3C* lower strength and 1 of top 3 honours
3D* lower strength and 2 of top 3 honours
3H* upper strength and 1 of top 3 honours
3S* upper strength and 2 of top 3 honours
3NT* 9HCP and AKQxxx of suit bid

Note 4 Michaels* (1M) 2M* overcall shows 55+ in other major and a minor
2NT* by advancer asks for minor
(1m) 2m* overcall shows 55+ in both majors

Note 5 Unusual NT* (1M) 2NT* overcall shows 55 + in both minors
(1m) 2NT* overcall shows 55+ in hearts and other minor

Note 6 Jacoby* 4 card support of major and opening points
Opener bids new suit showing singleton or void. Then cue or limit bid.
Opener rebids 4H/S with minimum hand and no singleton or void
Opener bids 3NT showing 4333 and 15+ HCP
Opener jumps in new suit – strong 2nd suit
Opener bids 3H/S with good hand/slam interest/no singleton or void
After 3H/S responder cue bids / bids RKCB / signs off in 4H/S

Note 7 Multi Landy Double for penalties with 15+ HCP and balanced
2C* at least 5/4 in the majors. Advancer bids 4 card major or 2D
2D* single suited major. Advancer bids 2H which can be corrected
2H*/2S* at least 5/4 in the major and a minor. 2NT asks for minor
2NT* at least 5/5 in minors (weak)or game forcing 2 suited hand
3C/3D long suit and can be passed

Checkback Stayman* Over 1 NT rebid 2C* from responder asks for one of three features – 5 cards in opener's major, 3 cards in responder's major or 4 cards in unbid major.
2D* denies a feature
After 2 NT rebid over 2 level response 3C* asks about points and a feature.
3D* shows 18-19 HCP
3H* shows 15-17 HCP and heart feature
3S* shows 15-17 HCP and spade feature
3NT shows 15-17 and no feature
After 3D* response either player can show a major feature

Extended Stayman 1NT-2C-2D-3D = 5 hearts and 5 spades. Choose game partner

Puppet Stayman* 3C* asks for 4/5 card major
3D* promises at least one 4card major
Responder bids 4 card major he doesn't have
Opener bids appropriate game
3H/S promises 5 cards
3NT* denies 4 or 5card major
After 3D* - 4 C* slam invite with both majors. Asks opener to bid his major.
After 3D* - 4 D* game values and both majors. Asks opener to bid his major

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Acol with 3 Weak 2s, Weak NT and 4 card majors

ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

1 No Trump	12 –14
2 D/H/S	5–9 HCP and 6 cards
Jump Overcall	11-15 HCP and 6 cards
Double	Penalty over weak 1NT. Negative through 4H
Slam Bids	4NT = RKCB 1430/ Gerber over 1NT/2NT openers
Discards	Reverse Attitude
Signals	Reverse Attitude
Standard Leads	

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2 ♣* Response to 1NT opener is: Stayman

3 ♣* Response to 1NT and 2NT openers is: Puppet Stayman

2D* = 2H   2H* = 2S: Major suit Transfers

2♠* McKendrick – balanced with 11HCP or transfer to a minor