

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

1♣ 1♦ 4+♥	2♦ GF 6+♦	3♦
1♥ 4+♠	2♥ 5♠4-5♥, 8-11	3♥ Void, GF
1♠ No Major or ♦+M GF	2♠ 8-10, Unbal ♣ Raise	3♠ Void, GF
1NT 11-12 (can have 4M)	2NT 0-6, 5+♣	3NT To play
2♣ 10+, 4+♣	3♣ 6-9, 5+♣	4♣ Preemptive
other 4M=To play		
1♦ 1♥ 4+♥	2♥ 5♠4-5♥, 8-11	3♥ Void, GF
1♠ 4+♠	2♠ 4+♦, Unbal ♦ Raise	3♠ Void, GF
1NT 6-9 ish	2NT Nat 11-12	3NT To play
2♣ Nat, GF	3♣ 8-11, 6+♣	4♣
2♦ 10+, 4+♦	3♦ 6-9ish, 4+♦	4♦ Preemptive
other 4M=To play		
1♥ 1♠ 4+♠	2♥ Simple Raise	3♦ 10-12, 3♥
1NT (0)3-12, SF	2♠ 7-10, 5+/5+ minors	3♥ 0-7, 4+♥
2♣ GF Relay	2NT GF, 4+♥	3♠ 9-12, Any SPL
2♦ 5+♦, GF	3♣ 7-11 4+♥	3NT 9-12, ♠ Void
other 4♣=9-12 ♣ Void, 4♦=9-12 ♦ Void, 4M=To play		
1♠ 1NT (0)3-12, SF	2♠ Simple Raise	3♥ 8-10, 6+♥
2♣ GF Relay	2NT GF, 4+♠	3♠ 0-7, 4+♠
2♦ 5+♦, GF	3♣ 7-11 4+♠	3NT 9-12, Any SPL
2♥ 5+♥, GF	3♦ 10-12, 3♠	4♣ 9-12, ♣ Void
other 4♦=9-12 ♦ Void		
1NT 3♣ Transfer to ♦'s	3♠ Splinter	4♦ Texas to 4♠
3♦ Minors, GF	3NT To play	4♥ To Play
3♥ Splinter (can have 4♠)	4♣ Texas to 4♥	4♠ To Play
other		
2♣ 2♦ Waiting	2NT 5+/5+ Both Majors	3♥
2♥ 5+♥, brewing	3♣ 6+♣, brewing	3♠
2♠ 5+♠, brewing	3♦ 6+♦, brewing	3NT
other 2♣-2♦-2♥=Kokish		
2♦ 2♥ 5+♥	3♣ (5)6+♣	3♠
2♠ 5+♠	3♦ To Play	3NT To play
2NT Asks	3♥	4♣
other If NV, bids are NF and 2NT asks strength, if V, bids are F1 and 2NT asks short		

Notes

2♥ 2♠ 5+♠	3♦ 5+♦	3NT To play
2NT Asks	3♥ To Play	4♣
3♣ 5+♣	3♠	4♥ To Play
other If NV, bids are NF and 2NT asks strength, if V, bids are F1 and 2NT asks short		
2♠ 2NT Asks	3♥ 5+♥	4♣
3♣ 5+♣	3♠ To play	4♥ To Play
3♦ 5+♦	3NT To play	4♠ To Play
other If NV, bids are NF and 2NT asks strength, if V, bids are F1 and 2NT asks short		
2NT 3♣ Stayman	3♠ Both minors, GF	4♦ 6+♠, Slam Interest
3♦ Transfer to ♥'s	3NT To play	4♥ 6+♣, Slam Interest
3♥ Transfer to ♠'s	4♣ 6+♥, Slam Interest	4♠ 6+♦, Slam Interest
other		

9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: Lowest 2 Unbid Suits, any strength

4th Suit Forcing One round Game force

NT Checkback Priorities: 2-Way checkback

Defence to 3NT opening 4♣=Both majors

Defence to Opening Twos T/O X with Lebensohl, and 4m=Leaping Michaels

Multi 2♦ First X=Values, 2nd X=T/O, 3rd X=Penalties

RCO style 2-s

Other 2-s (2M weak) - ... 3M = Other Major+♣, 4♣ = Other Major+♦

Defence (1♣) : X=Majors, NT=Minors

to

strong (2♣) :

1♣ / 2♣

Over 1NT Interference Transfer Lebensohl

Lebensohl - other uses (2M) X (Pass) __

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦

4♥ 4♠

10. OTHER NOTES

Non-Serious 3♠/3NT

Serious 4m bids (cuebids are courtesy)

After value showing X, next X=T/O

1x-1y-1NT: Can bypass 4cMajor

2NT and 4NT in competition is rarely natural

1m (1NT) 2♣=Majors

(1NT) (3NT) X = Asks for short Major