

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

1♣ 1♦ 9+ HCPs and GF	2♦ 5+♦s+4♥s 0-8 HCPs	3♦ 6♦s 5-8 HCPs
1♥ 5+♠ and 0-8 HCPs	2♥ 5+♣s and 4♥s 0-8 HCPs	3♥ Pre-Empt 3-7 HCPs
1♠ ART 0-8 HCPs	2♠ 5+♦s+4♠s 0-8 HCPs	3♠ Pre-Empt 3-7 HCPs
1NT 5+♥s 0-8 HCPs	2NT Both Minors 5-8 HCPs	3NT N/A
2♣ 5+♣s 0-8 HCPs	3♣ 6♣s 5-8 HCPs	4♣ N/A
other		
1♦ 1♥ Natural	2♥ ♥s Weak 4-7 HCPs	3♥ Pre-Emptive
1♠ Natural	2♠ ♠s Weak 4-7 HCPs	3♠ Pre-Emptive
1NT 7-10 HCPs	2NT 11=12 Balanced	3NT Natural to Play
2♣ Natural Forcing	3♣ Pre-Emptive	4♣ Natural
2♦ Natural and Forcing	3♦ Weak w ♦s 4-7 HCPs	4♦ Weak w ♦s
other		
1♥ 1♠ Natural	2♥ Raise=7-10 HCPs w 3	3♦ Slam Try Raise
1NT 7-10 HCP's NF	2♠ ♠ Pre-Empt 3-7 HCPs	3♥ Raise=6-9 HCPs w 4
2♣ Natural	2NT 12-15 Balanced GF	3♠ ♠ Pre-Empt
2♦ Natural	3♣ 4 card Limit Raise	3NT 12-15 Bal w 4♥s raise
other		
1♠ 1NT 7-10 HCP's NF	2♠ Raise=7-10 HCPs w 3	3♥ Natural Pre-Empt
2♣ Natural	2NT 12-15 Balanced GF	3♠ Raise=6-9 HCPs w 4
2♦ Natural	3♣ 4 card Limit Raise	3NT 12-15 Bal w 4 raise
2♥ Natural	3♦ Slam Try Raise	4♣ /4♦/4♥ = Splinters
other		
1NT 3♣ TFR to 3♦s	3♠ Natural and GF	4♦ Natural GF
3♦ Natural and F	3NT Natural to Play	4♥ Natural to Play
3♥ Natural and GF	4♣ Gerber	4♠ Natural to Play
other		
2♣ 2♦ Game Interest Enquiry	2NT Invitational Enquiry	3♥ NNF
2♥ NNF	3♣ NNF	3♠ NNF
2♠ NNF	3♦ NNF	3NT Natural to Play
other		
2♦ 2♥ Pass or Correct	3♣ Natural to Play	3♠ Pass or Correct
2♠ G Interest Pass/Corr	3♦ Natural to Play	3NT Natural to Play
2NT Game Interest Enquiry	3♥ Pass or Correct	4♣ /4♥/4♠=Natural
other		

Notes

2♥ 2♠ NNF	3♦ NNF	3NT Natural to Play
2NT Game Interest Enquiry	3♥ Natural Raise	4♣ /4♦=Splinter
3♣ NNF	3♠ NNF	4♥ Natural to Play
other		
2♠ 2NT Game Interest Enquiry	3♥ NNF	4♣ /4♦=Splinter
3♣ NNF	3♠ Natural Raise	4♥ Natural to Play
3♦ NNF	3NT Natural to Play	4♠ Natural to Play
other		
2NT 3♣ Natural to Play	3♠ Natural & F	4♦ RKCB ♦s=0/3 5♦=1/4
3♦ Natural to Play	3NT Natural to Play	4♥ Natural to Play
3♥ Natural & F	4♣ RKCB ♣s=0/3 5♦=1/4	4♠ Natural to Play
other		

9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: Lowest Unbid Suits

4th Suit Forcing One round Game force

NT Checkback Priorities: **DO NOT PLAY**

Defence to 3NT opening Double = Takeout of a Minor

Defence to Opening Twos Double=Takeout: 2NT=15-18 HCPs

Multi 2♦ Double = any 13+

RCO style 2-s Double=Takeout: 2NT=15-18 HCPs

Other 2-s Double=Takeout: 2NT=15-18 HCPs

Defence Double Shows ♥s and Another

to 1♦ Shows ♠s and minor

strong 1NT Shows minors

♣ Others Natural

Over 1NT Interference

Lebensohl - other uses NO

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ Double=Takeout

4♥ Double=Takeout 4♠ Double=Takeout

10. OTHER NOTES

1♣:1♥/1S/1NT then 2♣ shows any 19+ then 2♦=0-5 HCPs Others Nat GF

1♣:2 Suit:2NT=19+any then 3♣ 0-5 others Nat GF

1♣:1♠= Denies 5 Major / 4M+5m / 6m 5-8 HCPs / 5+m/5+m 5-8 HCPs

2♦:2NT then 3♣=♥s and 3♦s=♠