

Partner

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# **GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS**

STANDARD AMERICAN with these features: (a) approach club; (b) 15-17 no trump; (c) Multi 2♦; (d) Strong 2♥/2♠

openings

		11		RESPC	ONSES
Strength		15-17			
Shape constraints may		y incl. 5c major or 6c minor Tick if may have single		Tick if may have singleton	
Responses		2♣	Stayman, may not have a 4c major		
2 🔶	transfer to hearts	hearts			transfer to spades
2 🛧	transfer to clubs; r	super-accept	2NT	transfer to diamonds; relay = super-accept	
Others	3. Puppet Stayman				
Action after opponents double		Ignore double			
Action after other interference		2-level bids are weak, 3-level bids forcing, Lebensohl; x = takeout			

TWO-LEVEL OP	ENINGS AND RESPONSES
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	Meaning	Responses	Notes
2♣	22+ hcp bal. or GF unbalanced	Controls 2♦ 0-1, 2♥ 2, 2♠ Ace and King, 2N 3Kings, 3♣ 4, etc	
2 🔶	Multi: Weak 2M, Acol 2m, 20 bal	2♥ relay, 2N strong inquiry	
2 💙	8-9 playing tricks, 4 losers	2N negative	
2 🖍	8-9 playing tricks, 4 losers	2N negative	
2NT	21-22 semi-balanced	3♣ Puppet; 3♦/3♥ transfers	

## OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

(Please include details of any agreements involving bidding on significantly less than traditional values).

May open light in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> seat

Both players of a partnership must have identically completed convention cards. Cards must be exchanged with opponents for each round.

	OTHER OPENING BIDS						
	HCP	see Note *	Min length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes	
1 🐥	10-19		2	none	Limit raises; Splinters		
1 🔶	10-19		4	none	Limit raises; Splinters; 2N		
1 💙	10-19		5	none	2N; Limit raises; Splinters; Druary		
1 🛧	10-19		5	none	2N; Limit raises; Splinters; Druary		
3♣	5-10		7	none			
3 🔶 🎔 秦	5-10		7	none			
4 bids			8	none			

	DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN						
NATURAL ONE OF A SUIT		CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes			
Simpl	e overcall	8-15 hcp					
Jump overcall		5-10 hcp					
Cue bid		Ghestem: 5-5 in non-touching suits					
1NT	Direct: Protective:	15-17 hcp 10-14 hcp, may not have stopper	Systems on: Stayman, Transfers, etc				
2NT	Direct: Protective:	Ghestem: 5-5 in lowest suits 19-20 hcp stopper	none				
	3c	Ghestem: higher suits 5-5					
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes			
Stron	g 1 <b>♣</b>						
Short	1♣/1♦	Treat as suit					
Weak	1NT	Cappelletti					
Stron	g 1NT	Cappelletti					
Weak	x 2	Dbl for takeout					
Weak	3	Dbl for takeout					
4 bids	3	Dbl for takeout					
Multi	2♦	2NT = 17-18; Dbl 15/16 points, suit bid 15/16 points					

SLAM CONVENTIONS				
Name	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference		
RKCB	1430 responses; 5NT asks for cheapest K	PODI		

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS				
Agreements after openir	ng of one of a sui	it and overcall by opponents		
Level to which negative do	ubles apply	4♦		
Special meaning of bids		Cue bid agrees openers suit 10-	⊦ points	
Exceptions / other agreeme	ents			
Agreements after oppon	ents double for t	akeout		
Redouble:	New suit:	Natural not forcing	Jump in new suit:	
Jump raise:	2NT:	10+ limit raise or better	All systems on	
Other agreements conce	erning doubles a	nd redoubles		
Support x or xx up to 2 leve	51			

### **OTHER CONVENTIONS**

1.Checkback. After 1x1y,1N – 2\* ask for 3 of bid major or 4 of unbid major

- 2. Forth suit forcing
- 3. Unassuming cue bid

### SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

(Please cross-reference where appropriate to the relevant part of card, and continue on back if needed).

	Card led is	s highlighted in	<b>bold</b> – if you DI	FFER plea	se circle YC	UR leads	
	<u>A</u> K	<u>А</u> Кх	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u><b>K</b></u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	К <u><b>10</b></u> 9	<b>Q</b> J 10
v Suit	<b>Q</b> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	<u>9</u> 87x	10 x x <u>x</u>	Н х <u>х</u>
contracts	Н x x <u>x</u>	H	H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	х <u>х</u> х	<b>x</b> <u>x</u> x x	
	<u>A</u> K x ( <u>x</u> )	A <u>J</u> 10 x	<u>K</u> (Q) 10	<u> </u>	K <u>J</u> 10	К <u><b>10</b></u> 9	<b>Q</b> J 10
v NT	<b>Q</b> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	<b>9</b> 87x	10 x x <u>x</u>	Н х <u>х</u>
contracts	Н x x <u>x</u>	Н x x <u>x</u> x	H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	XXX	<b>x</b> x x x	
	Other a	greements in lea	ading, e.g. high le	evel contract	s, partnershi	p suits:-	1

# CARDING METHODS Primary method v. suit contracts Primary method v. NT contracts On Partner's lead 1) attitude 2) count 3) suit Image: Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Cols

	NOTES
1.	M: 2N = slam try show shortage then 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> round controls (Jacoby 2NT)
2. 1	♦:2N= slam try show shortage then 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> round controls (Jacoby 2NT)
	Defence against NT = Cappelletti – $2$ = 6 card suit, 2 $\diamond$ = both Majors, 2 $\checkmark$ = 5 hearts and 4+ minor, 5 spades and 4+ minor, 2NT = 5/5 in Minors
4. C	Defence to Michaels or Ghestem
5. E	Defence against Multi 2+:
6. 1	rial bids after suit agreement