

Opening		Neg X	Description	Responses	Subsequent bidding	Passed hand and over intervention
1 χ		2 4 \heartsuit	With 4 \clubsuit /4 \diamond we usually open 1 \clubsuit with 18-19 NT and 1 \diamond with 12-14 NT	1 \diamond = natural or seminatural (might also be 4M333 and INV+), 2 \clubsuit = inverted, 2 \diamond =Multi, 1M= \diamond might be longer, 1NT=8-10, 3 \diamond / \heartsuit / \spadesuit = PRE, 4 \diamond = RKC	2-way Checkback over 1 \diamond we rebid 1NT with any 4333	Truscott, Rubensohl, Switch after overcalls 1-level and 3-level, (NOTE 1),neg freebids
1 \diamond		4 4 \heartsuit	See 1 \clubsuit	2 \diamond = inverted, 3 \clubsuit = INV, 3 \heartsuit / \spadesuit = PRE 4 \clubsuit = RKC	2-way Checkback	Same as over 1 \clubsuit opening, Switch
		4 \diamond		2NT= fit, INV/GF not strong, 3 \clubsuit / \diamond = Bergen, 3 \spadesuit /4 \clubsuit /4 \diamond = SPL, 3NT= fit, bal 13-15	2-way Checkback	Drury, Bergen, SPL
1 \spadesuit		5 4 \heartsuit		Same as over 1 \heartsuit , 4 \heartsuit = to play,3 \heartsuit = INV	1 \spadesuit - 1NT - 3 \clubsuit = Asks number \heartsuit	Drury, Bergen, SPL
1NT		4 \heartsuit	15-17 balanced, might be 5M or semibalanced	2 \clubsuit =Stayman, 2 \diamond / \heartsuit =TRF, 2 \spadesuit = \clubsuit or \diamond , 3 \clubsuit = asks 5M, 3 \diamond =5 \diamond /4 \clubsuit and short M, 3 \heartsuit / \spadesuit =5 \spadesuit /4 \diamond and short M, 4 \clubsuit / \diamond =Texas		Transfer Lebensohl, Rubensohl (NOTE 1)
2 \clubsuit	X		a) strong b)weak two \diamond 3) 22-23 NT; 26-27 NT	2 \diamond = NF, 2NT= relay, 2 \heartsuit / \spadesuit = 5M, NF 3 \heartsuit / \spadesuit = 6M, INV		
2 \diamond	X	2 \spadesuit	a) weak two \heartsuit or \spadesuit b) 24-25 NT; 28+ NT c) any 4441(5m440), 20-24	2 \heartsuit / \spadesuit = P/C, 3 \heartsuit / \spadesuit = P/C, 2NT=relay, 3 \clubsuit / \diamond =nat, forcing 4 \clubsuit =request TFR, 4 \diamond = asks suit		Over intervention: 4 \clubsuit = request TRF 4 \diamond = asks suit
2 \heartsuit	X		Weak, 5 \heartsuit +4+minor vulnerable 5/5	2NT=relay, 3 \clubsuit =P/C, 3 \diamond = INV for 4 \heartsuit , 4 \clubsuit /4 \diamond = SPL		Over X: 2NT asks minor, 3 \clubsuit / \diamond = to play, 4 \clubsuit / \diamond = fitbid
2 \spadesuit	X		Weak, 5 \spadesuit +4+minor vulnerable 5/5	2NT=relay, 3 \clubsuit =P/C, 3 \diamond = INV for 4 \spadesuit , 4 \clubsuit /4 \diamond = SPL		Over X: 2NT asks minor, 3 \clubsuit / \diamond = to play, 4 \clubsuit / \diamond = fitbid
2NT			20-21, 5M possible	3 \clubsuit =Puppet, 3 \diamond / \heartsuit / \spadesuit /4 \clubsuit = TRF, 3NT/5NT=5 \spadesuit +4 \heartsuit , 4 \spadesuit = RKC, 4 \diamond / \heartsuit = TRF, slamINV		
3X			PRE	3 \clubsuit - 3 \diamond = asks 3-card major	Slamconventions: Dopi/Ropi, Mixed cue bids, SPL, Last Train, RKC Blackwood--> 5NT/6X = even/odd keycards+void (1430), 5NT josephine, Exclusion Blackwood	
3NT	X		Solid minor	4 \clubsuit =P/C, 4 \diamond = asks shortness		
4X			Natural, PRE			

Defensive Bidding	Leads and signals			System	
Overcall: At 1-level may be 4-card	Suit: 3rd/5 th but not from KJ10, K109			Players: Bep Vriend – Carla Arnolds The Netherlands	
Resp: Jumpraise = PRE, cue = fit or FG	NT: low from a honor, strong king (asks count/unblock)				
1NT-overcall	Leads			Basic system	
15-18 --> Resp as over 1NT opening	Lead	In suit contracts	In NT contracts	Natural style	
4 th position: 10-14/15 ---> Stayman relay/TRF	Ace	AKx	AKx	1♣ = 2+ but NF	
	King	AK, KQx	KQ109	1♦ = 4+, 1♥/♠ = 5+	
Jumpovercalls	Queen	QJx	KQx, QJ10	2-over-1 = FG	
2 nd position: (1♣/♦)- 2♥/♠ = weak	Jack	J10x, KJ10	QJx, KJ10	1NT=15-17	
(1♥)- 2♠ and 1♦-3♣ = weak	10	K109, 109x	K109, 109x		
4 th position: Michaels, intermediate	9		Q98x, J98x		
	X		XXxx, xXx		
	x		xxX in un-support partn suit		
Two suited overcalls	Signals in order of priority			Special opening bids	
Over 1♣: 2♣ = natural, 2♦ = majors		Partner leads	Declarer leads	Discarding	2♣ = strong or weak two ♦
2NT = ♦/♥, 3♣ = ♦/♠	Suit 1st	Odd = Enc	H/L = odd	Odd = Enc	2♦ = Multi
Over 1♦: 2♦ = majors, 2NT = ♣/♥, 3♦ = ♣/♠	2nd	H/L = odd	Lavinthal	H/L = odd	2♥/♠ = Weak, 5♥/♠ + minor
Over 1♥/♠: 2NT = minors, 3♣ = ♦+OM, cue = ♣+OM	3rd	Lavinthal		Lavinthal	
	NT 1st	Odd = Enc	H/L = odd	Odd = Enc	
Against 1NT	2nd	H/L = odd	Lavintal	H/L = odd	
2♣ = majors ---> 2♦ = asks longer major	3rd	Lavinthal		Lavinthal	
2♦ = Multi	Other signals: H/L in trumps may show ability to ruff				
2♥/♠ = 5♥/♠ + minor					
Against preempts	Doubles			Forcing pass situations	
2NT after (WK 2x) dbl (p) 2NT = FIR	Negative dbls				
Leaping Michaels (with jump)					
Against strong openings	Special doubles			Important Notes	
CRASH: X = RED or BLACK, 1♦ = MM or mm	Optional X			After 1♣/♦ opening and a overcall at the	
1NT = ♣/♥ or ♦/♠	Support X			1-level or 3-level we play SWITCH (see NOTE 1)	
Over info-double opponents	Lightner X				
New suit 1-level = FIR, 2-level = NF, Truscott	Responsive X			Rubensohl over jumpovercalls	

NOTE 1 Switch after opponents make an overcall over 1♣/1♦ opening

General: If opponents overcall our 1♣/1♦ opening bid at the 1-level we usually switch our suits.

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| 1♣ | (1♦) | dbl | both majors |
| | | 1♥ | 4 or 5-card spades |
| | | 1♠ | 4 or 5-card hearts |
| | | 2♣ | natural, around 6-9 hcp |
| | | 2♦ | 6-card hearts, any strength |
| | | 2♥ | 6-card spades, any strength |
| | | 2♠ | club-fit, limit of better |
| | | 3♣ | preempt |
| | | 3♦ | splinter |
| | | 3♥ | preempt |
| 1♣ | (1♥) | dbl | 4 or 5-card spades, 1♠ by OH shows 3-card ♠ |
| | | 1♠ | take out without 4-card spades |
| | | 2♣ | natural, around 6-9 hcp |
| | | 2♦ | natural, around 8-11 hcp |
| | | 2♥ | 6-card spades, any strength |
| | | 2♠ | club-fit, limit of better |
| | | 3♣ | preempt |
| | | 3♦ | natural, FG |
| | | 3♥ | splinter |
| | | 3♠ | preempt |
| 1♣ | (1♠) | dbl | take out, usually 4-card hearts |
| | | 2♣ | natural, around 6-9 hcp |
| | | 2♦ | 5-card hearts, 8+ |
| | | 2♥ | 5-card diamonds, 10+ |
| | | 2♠ | club-fit, limit of better |
| | | 3♣ | preempt |
| | | 3♦/♥ | preempt |
| | | 3♠ | splinter |
| 1♣ | (3♦) | 3♥ | 5-card spades, FG |
| | | 3♠ | 5-card hearts, FG |
| 1♦ | (1♥) | dbl | 4 or 5-card spades, 1♠ by OH shows 3-card ♠ |
| | | 1♠ | take out without 4-card spades |
| | | 2♣ | natural, 10+ FIR |
| | | 2♦ | natural, around 6-9 hcp |
| | | 2♥ | 6-card spades, any strength |
| | | 2♠ | diamond-fit, limit of better |
| | | 3♣ | preempt |
| | | 3♦ | preempt |
| | | 3♥ | splinter |
| | | 3♠ | preempt |

1♦ (1♠) dbl take out, usually 4-card hearts
2♣ 5-card hearts, 8+
2♦ natural, around 6-9 hcp
2♥ 5-card clubs, 10+
2♠ diamond-fit, limit of better t
3♣ preempt
3♦ preempt
3♥ preempt
3♠ splinter

1♦ (3♣) 3♥ 5-card spades, FG
3♠ 5-card hearts, FG