				OPENIN	G LEAD	s			
For all the card combinations shown, clearly mark the card normally led if different from the underlined card.						h over or shade this box if using non-standard leads.			
t ots	A <u>K</u>	<u>A</u> K	Х	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	k	〈 <u>J</u> 10	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
v. suit contracts	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10	) x	10 X <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	ć	87 x	10 X x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
	H x x <u>x</u>	Hx	х <u>х</u> х	H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	Х	х <u>х</u> х	x <u>x</u> x x	
v. NT contracts	<u>A</u> K x ( <u>x</u> )	A <u>J</u>	10 x	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	k	( <u>J</u> 10	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10	) x	10 X <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	ć	<u>8</u> 7 x	10 X x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
	H x x <u>x</u>	H x x <u>x</u> x		H x x <u>x</u> x x	<u>x</u> x	Х	х <u>х</u> х	x <u>x</u> x x	xxxXx
Other agreements in leading, e.g. high level contracts, partnership suits:-									
K reque	ests count; v	s NT l	ead of	card above as	ks for unb	olo	ck (ie wi	th KQ10 lea	d Q)
Lead of	K followed	by swi	tch ind	licates a single	eton				
				CARDING	METHO	D	S		
Primary method v suit contracts Primary method v NT contracts									
On Partner's lead			Attitude: Hi Enc, Lo Disc			Attitude/Count			
On Declarer's lead			Count: hi-lo=even			Count: hi-lo=even			
When discarding			Revolving			Revolving			
Other ca	arding agreem	ents, ir	ncluding	secondary met	hods (state	• w	hen appli	cable) and ex	ceptions to
Revolv	<b>ing</b> : High ca	ard suit	t above	e (C above S),	low card	su	iit below,	middle card	ds neutral -

**Revolving**: High card suit above (C above S), low card suit below, middle cards neutral - neutral followed by another card of that suit requests that suit

**Deception** on count or attitude always possible

Suit preference when attitude and count known or unnecessary

## **SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (continued)**

- 10) Passed hand bidding 1 √/ - 2NT = good raise 1Mj-3Mj more pre-emptive; fit jumps
- 11) 2NT Game Raise 4 suit =5carder, non min; 3♣ any min now 3♦ asks for shortage;
  - 3 ♦ / ♥ / ♠ singleton (3T=sing ♣); 3NT 15+ balanced, 4T= rubbish
- 12) 2NT system : Responses: 4♠= both minors slam try, 4NT both minors weak
  - 3 ♦/♥= transfer to ♥/♠ (break to 3S/3NT shows 2-5) 4NT after complete is mild slam try
  - 3NT = 5♠+4♥ Nonforcing; 4♣=Gerber, 4♦/4♥ transfers (4NT after complete is RKCB)
  - 3♣= 5 card puppet stayman, 3 √/♠=5 cds, 3 ♦=4 cd maj; 3NT neither (4 ♦ minor slamtry)

(After 2NT-3C-3D- 3♥/♠ not this suit, 4♣ both majors slam try, 4♦ both majors weak)

3♠= transfer to 3NT, subsequent bids are minor slam tries, cue agrees



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### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS**

**Reverse Benjamin Acol** 

# 1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES 12-14 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>. 14-16 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Mark if artificial

Resnonses

Shape constraints (Note 1) Mark if may have singleton

## **Responses** 2. Staymanic, may be a slam try in minor

2 ◆ Transfer to hearts (Note 7) 2 ▼ Transfer to spades (Note 7)
2 ◆ Range probe 11-12 or 18+. 2NT Relay to 3. ♣. (Note 8)

Others 3♣/♦ 6+-card suit invitational 3♥/♠= 5+-card suit and slam interest.

Action after opponents double Helvic (Halmic when dbl in 4<sup>th</sup>) (Note 9)

Action after other interference Lebensohl, X = takeout after suit overcall

## TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

	Meaning	responses	140103
2*	Game forcing or 24+ balanced	2♦ negative	
2♦	8+ playing tricks any suit / 20-21 bal	2♥ neg, 2♠ any pos 9+	
2♥	Weak 5-9, 6 cards (can be 5 in 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	2NT enquiry, new suits F	5,6
2♠	Weak 5-9, 6 cards (can be 5 in 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	2NT enquiry, new suits F	5,6
2NT	22–23 balanced	3♣ 5 cd puppet Stayman	12

#### OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

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

In 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> seats – 1♣/♦ can be three cards; light openings possible in 3<sup>rd</sup> for the lead

3NT opening = 4 level pre-empt in a minor

Meaning

**4♣/♦ SA Texas** - solid **♥/♠** suit, or missing one honour with outside A

(in response 4 ♦ / 4 ♥ 7asks for honour holding, 4NT asks for singleton)

**4**♥/♠ 7+ cards, pre-emptive

Notes

OTHER OPENING BIDS							
	НСР	see Note	Min length	MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes	
1.	10+	х	4/3	May be 3 cards	2NT 16+ bal, splinters	2,3,4,10	
1 ♦	10+	х	4/3	in 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>	2NT 16+ bal, splinters	2,3,4,10	
1♥	10+		4		2NT game raise	10, 11	
1 ♠	10+		4		2NT game raise	10, 11	
3 bids	0-10		6	Pre-emptive			
4 bids	3-10	X	7	Front of card			

<sup>\*(</sup>Please enter your normal HCP range in the HCP column. Please tick box if you have any special agreements involving different values in particular positions (e.g. light openings in third seat) and include further details under Supplementary Details).

DECENSIVE METHODS AFTED ODDONENTS ODEN

	DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN						
OPPONENTS OPEN NATURAL ONE OF A S				SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes		
Simple overcall		wide range, from 8+		change suit F1			
Jump overcall		6cds weak	NV intermediate V				
Cue bid		Ghestem					
1NT Direct: Protective:		15/17 11-14		As 1NT system			
ZIVI DIICOL.		Ghestem 18-20		Nat As 2NT system			
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS		SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes		
Strong 1♣		X, 1D, 1NT	CRO 1H/S Nat				
Short 1	1 ♣/1 ♦	Natural					
Weak 1NT		X=penalties; 2♣/◆ Asptro		Negative dbles			
Strong 1NT		X=penalties; 2♣/◆ Asptro		Negative dbles			
Weak 2		X=takeout	4♣/♦ that suit+major	Lebensohl			
Weak 3		X=takeout					
4 bids		X=values; 4NT minors					
Multi 2◆		X=t/o of ♥,	2♥ t/o of ♠, 4♣/♦ both	minors NF/F			

SLAM CONVENTIONS
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Name	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
RKCB	5♣=1/4, 5♦=0/3, 5♥=2 no Q, 5♠=2 +Q	D14P03
	30/41 if clubs agreed	
		vs frivolous
Gerber NT only	4 • =0/4, 4 • =1, 4 • =2, 4NT=3	X, XX to play

		COMPETI	TIVE AUCTIO	NS	
Agreements af	ter opening of o	ne of a suit a	and overcall by c	pponents	
Level to which	negative double	s apply	To 7♥		
Special meaning of bids Cue bid=good raise; fit jumps					
Exceptions / ot	her agreements				
Agreements af	ter opponents d	ouble for tak	eout		
Redouble	10+	New suit	F	Jump in new suit:	Fit
Jump raise	Pre-emptive	2NT	Good Raise	Other	
Other agreeme	ents concerning	doubles and	redoubles: Re	sponsive, Competitiv	ve, Action
After our doul	ole of 1NT, first	double by ei	ther partner is n	egative, value showing	g; pass
forcing until op	ps contract is do	oubled, or we	e bid to 2NT.		
X of their cue b	oid of our suit = "	don't lead m	ıy suit"		
		OTHER (	CONVENTION	S	
Fourth Suit Fo	orcing (to game	<del>)</del>			
New Minor Fo	rcing: after 1♣/	'	the other minor	is used to ask respond	der to
				<b>♥</b> -1NT-3♠ = 4-4 <b>♥</b> /♠	F
Blackout: afte	r low reverse, 4 <sup>t</sup>	<sup>h</sup> suit or 2NT	is weak route to	3 minor	
Ghestem: 2N7	Γ=lowest 2 suits,	3 <b>♣</b> =highes	t two suits, Cue	bid=other two suits	
After 1X-1Y/2Y	′-2NT, 3 <b>♣</b> is an	enquiry, and	I 3♦ shows max	imum, natural bids the	reafter
Asptro:2♣=♥	+another, 2♦=♠	+another an	chor on shorter	major; 2NT nat, 3♣ G	F
Change of suit	in response to o	our overcall i	s F1; 1 <b>∀-</b> 1∢	-1NT-2♣ = shape en	quiry
Lebensohl over	er our 1NT+inter	ference, and	d Weak 2-dble by	y us; Psyches –	very rare
	·		NTARY DETA		

- 1) **1NT shape**. Rarely may have singleton, 6 card minor or 5 card major
- 2) After 1X 1Y a 1NT or 2NT rebid may conceal a 4 card major New minor/3 is enquiry
- 3) 1X-2Y-2NT is forcing (15-19), 1X-2Y-3NT shows fit for Y suit and non-minimum
- 4) light openings possible in 3<sup>rd</sup> seat 5) Weak 2s are 9-13 HCP in 4<sup>th</sup> seat
- 6) 2NT eng: 3♣=8 losers 1 Honour, 3♦=8 los, 2H, 3♥=7los, 1H, 3♠=7 los, 2H, 3NT=AKQ
- 7) Transfer breaks: Bid 3 major with min, 2NT with max, no re-transfers except 3NT.
- 8) 1NT 2NT transfer to 3♣. Opener bids 3♣ and responder passes or bids 3♦ to play, or
  - 3♥/♠ to show singleton with both minors, strong.
- 9) Helvic: XX=unspecified 5 card suit, forces 2\* from opener; 2any: lower of 2 touching 4 Card suits; Pass forces XX, to play or a subsequent bid will shows 2 non-touching suits Halmic variation after a X in 4<sup>th</sup>, bid shows that suit and a higher, not neccessarily touching.