

OPENING BIDS	Point Range	Min. Length	CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES
1♣	12-20	4	Simple Raise 6 to 9, 3 level raise 10-12, 1NT 6 to 9 New suit at 1 level 6+ pts, New suit at 2 Level 9+ pts 2NT 11-12, Splinters	
1♦	12-20	4		
1♥	12-20	4		
1♠	12-20	4		
1NT	12-14		2♣=Stayman, 2♦/2♥=transfers, 3♣/3♦/3♥/3♠ 1-suited slam try, 4♣=Gerber	
2♣	23+		23-24 BAL or any game forcing hand	2♦=weak or waiting; 2NT=10+ BAL new suit=good 5-card suit
2♦	6-10	6	2NT asks for feature, Non-minimum hand shows high card feature, otherwise rebid suit opened New suit forcing for one round	
2♥	6-10	6		
2♠	6-10	6		
2NT	20-22		Balanced	3♣=Stayman, 3♦/3♥=transfers, 4♣=Gerber
3 bids	5-10	(6)7	Pre-emptive	New suit is F1
4 bids		7	Pre-emptive	

DEFENSIVE BIDS			
OVER-CALLS	Meaning	OPPONENTS OPEN	Defensive Methods
Simple	Natural, wide-ranging, new suit F1	Strong 1♣	not required
Jump	Weak	Weak 1NT	Double=PEN; 2♦/2♥/2♠ natural 2♣=majors (2♦ asks better major)
Cue Bid	(1m) 2m=5♥, 5♠; (1♥)-2♥=5♠, 5m; (1♠)-2♠=5♥, 5m	Strong 1NT	not required
1NT	Direct 15-17	Protective 11-14	Weak 2
	Responses As over 1NT		Weak 3
2NT	Direct 5-5 lowest unbid suits	Protective 19-21	4 bids
	Responses		MULTI

ACTION AFTER OPPONENTS INTERVENE WITH					
Simple Overcall		Double	Takeout through 3♠	Bids	New suit F1
Jump Overcall		Double	Takeout through 3♠	Bids	Raises PRE
Double	Redouble	New suit	Jump in new suit	Jump raise	2NT
	10+ misfit	natural, F1	5+ suit with fit	PRE	Sound raise

SPECIAL USES OF DOUBLES:
Double of suit is take-out Double of 1NT is 16+
If your 1NT is doubled all bids are natural and redouble is to play

SLAM CONVENTIONS	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
Name: Blackwood	5♣=no aces, 5♦=1, 5♥=2, 5♠=3 (5NT then asks for kings)	DOP1, ROP1
Gerber	4♦=0 aces, 4♥=1, 4♠=2, 4NT=3 (5♣ then asks for kings)	

Other Conventions:
In competition, UCB is the only strong raise
Fourth Suit Forcing to game except at the one level
Unusual 2NT at least 5/5 in two lowest unbid suits (usually the minors),

OPENING LEADS	v suit contracts	4th	2nd from bad suit, MUD		
Attach Red Spot, or hatch over, if using non- standard leads	AK K109 109x Hxxx	AKx QJ10 987x Hxx	KQ10 QJx 10xxx xx	KQx J10x Hxxx xxx	KJ10 10xx Hxxx xxx
Other leads:	v NT contracts	4th	2nd from bad suit, MUD		
	AKx(x) K109 10xxx Hxxx	AJ10x QJ10 109x Hxxx	KQ10 QJx 987x xx	KQx J10x Hxx xx	KJ10 10xx Hxxx xxx
(In all the card combinations shown , circle the card normally lead if different from standard i.e. underlined card)					

CARDING METHODS	Describe Primary method. State alternative in brackets.
On Partner's lead	High card=encouraging or even number
On Declarer's lead	High card=even count, low card=odd
When Discarding	High card=encouraging, low card=discouraging
Exceptions to above	

SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS

(Please cross reference to appropriate part of card)

Abbreviations

F1	forcing for one round (partner may not pass it but you do not guarantee another bid)
PRE	pre-emptive
UCB	unassuming cue bid (a cue bid of the opponent's suit to ask for more information)
m	minor suit
M	major suit
DOP1	Double=no aces, pass=1 ace
ROP1	Redouble=no aces, pass=1 ace



Name: BERWICK INDIVIDUAL

Partner:

S.B.U. NO.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

Bidding Methods:- Acol, 4-card majors, 12-14 1NT, three weak twos
Landy defence to 1NT

Style of leads, signals, discards:- 4th highest leads, 2nd from bad suit
High=encouraging

ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE

Because this convention card is also your opponents' convention card it may be freely consulted during the auction and play.

Partnerships may not have any specific understandings outwith this system card.

However, players may experiment with bids that they feel their partner may understand without specific agreement

STRENGTH OF 1NT OPENERS: 12-14

2♣ RESPONSE TO 1NT OPENER IS: Stayman

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