Bridge Bidding System

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1 1m opening

1♣ - ?

- 1 > 0 6
- 1 = 4 +
- 1♠ = 4+♠
- 1NT = 7-10, no 4M
- 2 = 12-14 BAL or , GF
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 + \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$, **GF**, may have 4**M**
- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 6-9
- 2 = 11 + BAL, no 4M
- 2NT = 11-12 BAL
- 3NT = 15-17 BAL

1♦ - ?

- 1 = 4 +
- 1♠ = 4+♠
- 1NT = 6-10, no 4M, no 4M, no 4M
- 2 = 12-14 BAL or , GF
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{no } 4\mathbf{M}, 4 + \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}, \mathbf{GF}$
- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 6-9
- 2 = 11 + BAL, no 4M
- 2NT = 11-12 BAL
- 3NT = 15-17 BAL

1 - 2

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- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = BAL$
- 2♥ = 5♣ 4♥ BAL

- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \clubsuit 4 \spadesuit BAL$
- $2NT = 5 \clubsuit 4 \spadesuit BAL$
- 3♣ = ♣ BAL

1♦ - **2**♦

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- $2 \nabla = \nabla \text{ stopper}$
- 2♠ = ♠ stopper
- 2NT = both major stoppers
- 3♣ = NAT
- $3 \Rightarrow = \text{sign off (treshold for invite)}$

bidding higher suit denies lower stopper

1♣ − **2**♥

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• 2NT = ASK LSF

1 -2

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- 2NT = BAL min
- 3 = 5 + min
- 3 = 5 + 4 GF
- $3 \lor = 1 \lor, 5 + \clubsuit GF$
- 3 = 1 4, 5 + 6
- 3NT = to play

1♦ - **2**♠

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- 2NT = BAL min
- 3 = 4 + min
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 + \blacklozenge \min$

- $3 \mathbf{V} = 1 \mathbf{V}, 5 + \mathbf{OF}$
- $3 \spadesuit = 1 \spadesuit$, $5 + \spadesuit$ **GF**
- 3NT = to play

Two way checkback

After any $1\mathbf{x} - 1\mathbf{y} - 1\mathbf{z}$ sequence (except: 1 - 1 = 1 = 1).

$\begin{array}{c} 1x - 1y \\ 1z - ? \end{array}$

- 2 =any invite, forces 2
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{any } \mathbf{GF}$

2 1_M opening

1♥ - ?

- $1 \spadesuit = 4 + \spadesuit$, no $3 \heartsuit$ OR $5 \spadesuit 3 \heartsuit + \mathbf{GF}$
- 1NT = 5-11HCP, (or 5-7HCP with \forall fit)
- $2\clubsuit = \text{any } \mathbf{GF}$, usually no 5-card (or $5+\clubsuit$)
- $2 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacklozenge$, **GF**
- 2 = constructive raise
- $2 = \min \text{ splinter}$
- 2NT = limit raise
- $3 \clubsuit = \text{solid } 6 \clubsuit$, **INV**
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{solid } 6 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}, INV$
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{splinter} \spadesuit$
- 3NT = splinter •
- $4\clubsuit$ = splinter \clubsuit
- $4 \rightleftharpoons 11$ HCP, $4 \checkmark$, no shortness

1♠ − ?

- 1NT = 5-11HCP, (or 5-7HCP with \spadesuit fit)
- $2\Phi = \text{any } \mathbf{GF}$, usually no 5-card (or $5+\Phi$)
- $2 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacklozenge$, **GF**
- $2 \checkmark = 5 \checkmark$, **GF**
- 2 = constructive raise
- 2NT = mini splinter
- $3 \clubsuit = \text{solid } 6 \clubsuit$, **INV**
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{solid } 6 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}, INV$
- 3 = 3 + 4, INV
- 3 = mixed raise
- 3NT = splinter \forall
- $4 \clubsuit = \text{splinter} \clubsuit$
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{splinter} \blacklozenge$
- $4 \lor = 11 \text{HCP}, 4 \spadesuit$, no shortness

3 1nt opening

1NT opening = (14)15-17 BAL

1NT - ?

- 2 = Stayman
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{forces } 2 \blacktriangledown$
- $2 \checkmark = \text{forces } 2 \spadesuit$
- 2 = INV or TRSF to Φ
- $2NT = TRSF \text{ to } \blacklozenge$
- 3♣ = Puppet Stayman
- 3**♦** = 55**♣**
- 3♥ = 3-**♦** 1-**♥**, 54**♣**

- 3♠ = 3-♥ 1-♠, 54♣
- 3NT = to play
- 4 = 55
- $4 \blacklozenge$, $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$
- 4NT = quantitative

1NT - 2

- 2NT = 14-15(16)
- 3 = (16)17

1NT-2NT

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- 3 = superaccept
- $3 \Rightarrow = \text{accept}$

1NT – 3♥

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- $3 \spadesuit = NAT$
- 3NT = to play
- 4 = exclusion, choose
- 4NT = choose

Smolen

1NT - 2

$$2 - ?$$

- $2 \checkmark = 5 \checkmark 4 \spadesuit$, to play
- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit 4 \heartsuit$, to play
- $3 \lor = 5 \spadesuit 4 \lor , GF$
- 3♠ = 5♥ 4♠, **GF**

$$1NT - 2$$

•
$$2 \spadesuit = 5 \heartsuit 4 \spadesuit$$
, INV

1NT - 2

•
$$3 \checkmark = 5 4 \checkmark$$
, INV

1NT - 2

$$2$$
 $- 2$

?

- Pass, 2NT, $3 \checkmark = to play$
- 3NT, $4 \checkmark$, $4 \spadesuit$ = to play

1NT - 2

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- PASS, $3 \spadesuit = \text{to play}$
- 3NT, $4 \checkmark$, $4 \spadesuit$ = to play

4 Overcalls after 1nt opening

(1NT) - ?

- $\times = 5 + 4$
- \times in balancing position = $5 \clubsuit + 4 \clubsuit$ or $6 \clubsuit$
- 2 = 54
- 2 = 6 +
- $2 \nabla = 5 \nabla + 4 \clubsuit$
- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit + 4 \clubsuit$

$$(1NT) - \times - (P) - ?$$

• 2 = PASS/correct

- $2 \Rightarrow = \text{show major}$
- 2 = own suit
- 2 = own suit

$$(1NT) - 2 - (P) - ?$$

- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{show better major}$
- $2 \checkmark$, $2 \spadesuit$ = preference

$$(1NT) - 2 - (P) - ?$$

- 2 = PASS/correct
- 2 = INV with \forall

5 1nt – dealing with interference

$$1NT - (2\clubsuit) - ?$$

$$2 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$$

• \times = Stayman

SYSTEM ON

$$1NT - (2^{A}) - ?$$

$$2 = 5/4$$

- $\times = 8+$
- $2 \bullet$, $2 \blacktriangledown$, $2 \spadesuit$, $3 \spadesuit$ = to play
- 2NT = minors

$$1NT - (2^{\bullet}) - ?$$

$$2 \blacklozenge = \blacklozenge$$

- \times = negative
- $2 \checkmark$, $2 \spadesuit$ = to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl

- $3 = 5 + \forall$, INV^+
- $3 \blacklozenge = 1 \blacklozenge$, INV^+
- 3 = 5 + 4, INV^+
- 3 = 5 + 4, INV^+
- 3NT = no stopper
- $4 \blacklozenge$, $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

$$1NT - (2 \stackrel{\wedge}{\diamond}^{A}) - ?$$

- 2 > 6 +
 - $\times = 8+$
 - $2 \checkmark$, $2 \spadesuit$ = to play
 - 2NT = Lebensohl
 - $3 = 5 + , INV^+$
 - $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 + \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown}$, INV^+
 - 3 = 5 + 4, INV^+
 - $3 \triangleq 5/5 \implies$
 - 3NT = to play
 - $4 \blacklozenge$, $4 \blacktriangledown = Texas$

$1NT - (2 \checkmark) - ?$

- \times = negative
- $2 \spadesuit = \text{to play}$
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- 3 = 5 + •, INV^+
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 + \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$, INV^+
- $3 \lor = 1 \lor, INV^+$
- 3 = 55 , GF
- 3NT = no stopper

• 4 = Texas

$$1NT - (2) - ?$$

- \times = negative
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- $3 \clubsuit = 5 + \blacklozenge$, INV^+
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 + \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown}$, INV^+
- $3 \lor = 55 ..., GF$
- $3 = 1 1 \cdot 100$
- 3NT = no stopper
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{Texas}$

$$1NT - (2NT^{A}) - ?$$

$$2nT = \clubsuit$$

- $\times = 10+$
- 3 = Stayman
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 + \blacktriangledown$, \mathbf{INV}^+
- 3 = 5 + 4, INV^+

1NT - (3.) - ?

- \times = negative
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 + \blacktriangledown$, \mathbf{INV}^+
- 3 = 5 + 4, INV^+
- $3 \spadesuit = 5 + \blacklozenge$, INV^+
- 3NT = to play

$$1NT - (3) - ?$$

- \times = negative
- 3 = 5 + 4, INV^+

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$$3NT = to play$$

$$1NT - (\times^{A}) - ?$$

 \times artificial

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$$1NT - (\times) - ?$$

 \times = penalty

- PASS = forces $\times \times$
- $\times \times = \text{forces } 2 \clubsuit$
- $2\mathbf{x} = \text{forces } \mathbf{x+1}$

$$1NT - (\times) - P^{A} - (P)$$
$$\times \times - (P) - ?$$

- PASS = penalty
- 2 = 4 + 4x or 4333 or any other edge case
- $2 \blacklozenge = 4 \blacklozenge + 4 \clubsuit$
- $2 \checkmark = 4 \checkmark + 4 \spadesuit$

6 2nt opening

 $2NT^{A}$ opening = 21-22 BAL, may have 5M

2NT - ?

- 3♣ = Puppet Stayman
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{forces } 3 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\bullet}, \text{ GF}$
- $3 \checkmark = \text{forces } 3 \spadesuit, \text{ GF}$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{forces } 3\text{NT}$
- 3NT = 5 4 , NF
- 4 = 55 M

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- $4 \blacklozenge$, $4 \blacktriangledown = Texas$
- 4NT = quantitative

$2NT - 3 \blacklozenge$

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- $3 \lor = = 2 \lor$
- $3 = 4 + \forall$, cue bid
- 3NT = =3
- $4\clubsuit$, 4• = $4+\blacktriangledown$, cue bid

- 3♠ = =2♠
- 3NT = =3
- 4 4 + 4, cue bid

$$2NT - 3$$

3NT - ?

- 4♣ = 6+♣
- $4 \blacklozenge = 6 + \blacklozenge$
- 4♥ = 54♣ 1-♥
- 4♠ = 54♣ 1-♠

7 Drury

 \mathbf{OFF} in competition

$$\frac{P-1M}{?}$$

- 1NT = 8-11, no fit
- 2 4-fit mixed raise (7)8-10DP OR 3-fit (9)10-11DP
- 2M = 3-fit, 4-8DP

- 2x = (9)10, solid 5x
- 3 = (9)10, **INV**, 6
- $3\mathbf{x} = 4$ -fit, solid $5\mathbf{x}$
- 2NT = 4-fit, solid $5 \clubsuit$
- $3\mathbf{M} = 5$ -fit 4-6DP (or 4 with shortness)
- 3NT over $1 \spadesuit (3 \spadesuit \text{ over } 1 \heartsuit) = \text{Two Tiered Splinters} = 4 + \mathbf{M}$, unspecified singleton, (10)11DP
- 4 4 / 4 / 4 = void splinter

P - 1♥

2♣ - ?

- $2 \checkmark$ = no interest in the game
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = INV$
- 2 = ASK LSF, usually 18-20 BAL
- 2NT/3 3 = 55(54) Slam Try (2NT = 1)
- $3NT/3 \spadesuit / 4 \clubsuit / 4 \spadesuit = splinter (3NT = 4 \spadesuit)$
- 4 = to play

P − 1♠

2 - ?

- 2 = no interest in the game
- $2 \Rightarrow INV$
- 2NT = ASK LSF, usually 18-20 BAL
- 3 3 / 3 / 3 = 55(54) Slam Try
- $3NT/4 4\sqrt{4} = splinter (3NT = 4)$
- $4 \spadesuit = \text{to play}$

$$P - 1M$$

$$2 - 2M$$

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• 3x = NAT, unspecified singleton, +4-fit M support

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- $2 \triangledown$ over $2 \spadesuit$ = Last Train (says nothing about \triangledown)
- $2\mathbf{M} = \text{Sign-off}$
- 2NT = 11, BAL
- $3\mathbf{M} = 4$ -card support
- $4\mathbf{M} = \text{to play}$
- any other bid = NAT, INV

8 Michaels & Unusual 2nt

$$(1^{A})$$
 – ?

1♣ = 2+ or fully artificial

- $1 \stackrel{\bullet}{=} NAT (5+)$
- $2 \clubsuit = NAT$
- 2 = Michaels

$$1 - 3 +$$

- $1 \stackrel{\bullet}{=} \text{NAT} (5+)$
- 2 = Michaels
- 2 = weak (6+)

$$(1^{\bullet}) - ?$$

• $2 \rightarrow$ = Michaels

9 Non Serious 3nt

After agreeing on \bigvee (\spadesuit), if **GF**, the no-jump $3\spadesuit$ (3NT) bid is an invite (usually no shortness) to Slam. The (serious) cue bid instead of non serious bid forces partner to show their cue.

10 Reverses, jump shifts and jump reverses

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1x - 1y - ?
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- $2\mathbf{z}$, $\mathbf{y} < \mathbf{z} = \text{reverse}$
- $3\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y} > \mathbf{z} = \text{jump shift}$
- 3z, y < z = jump reverse

1m - 1 - ?

- $1 \spadesuit = 4 \spadesuit$, 12-17
- 2 = 4, (18)19+

11 Preempt opening

2♦ − ?

• $2NT = OGUST (after 2 \bullet only!)$

$2 \blacklozenge - 2 \blacklozenge$

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- $3 \clubsuit = 5-7$, bad quality
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5-7$, good $\stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$ quality
- $3 \checkmark = 8-10$, bad quality
- $3 \triangleq 8-10$, good quality

2♥ - ?

- 2 = ASK LSF
- $2NT = 5 + \spadesuit$

2♠ − ?

• 2NT = ASK LSF

12 Dealing with preempts

(2) - ?

- $3 \spadesuit = \text{strong hand, solid suit}$
- $3 \checkmark$ = Michaels
- 4 4 = Leaping Michaels, GF

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- 4 = 4, strong
- $4NT = \clubsuit$, weaker then $4 \checkmark$

$$(2 \lor) - \times - (P) - ?$$

- 2NT = Better Minor Lebensohl
- 3♣ = 0-11, 5+♣
- 2 = weak
- 3 = INV (8-11)
- $3 \checkmark = \text{no } 4 \spadesuit$, no \checkmark stopper
- $3 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit$, **INV** (8-11)
- $3NT = no 4 \spadesuit$, \forall stopper
- $4 \lor = \clubsuit$, no \lor control, Slam Try
- $4 \spadesuit = \text{to play}$

$$(2 \checkmark) - \times - (P) - 2NT$$

$$(P) - 3m - (P) - ?$$

- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{weak}$
- $3 \checkmark = 4 \spadesuit$, no \checkmark stopper
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \spadesuit$, **INV** (8-11)
- 3NT = 44, \forall stopper

$$(2\heartsuit) - \times - (3\heartsuit) - ?$$

• $\times = \text{no } 44, 10+$

$$(2.) - ?$$

- 3 = Michaels
- 4 4 = Leaping Michaels, GF
- $4 \spadesuit = \clubsuit$, strong
- $4NT = \clubsuit$, weaker then $4 \checkmark$

$$(2\spadesuit) - \times - (P) - ?$$

- 2NT = Better Minor Lebensohl
- 3♣ = 0-11, 5+♣
- 3 /3 = INV (8-11)
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{no } 4 \heartsuit$, no \spadesuit stopper
- $3NT = no 4 \checkmark$, stopper
- $4 \forall$ = to play
- $4 \nabla = 4$, no \triangle control, Slam Try

$$(2\clubsuit) - \times - (P) - 2NT$$

$$(P) - 3m - (P) - ?$$

- $3 \checkmark / 3 \checkmark = \text{to play}$
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \heartsuit$, no \spadesuit stopper
- $3NT = 4 \checkmark$, stopper

$$(2\spadesuit)$$
 - \times - $(4\spadesuit)$ - ?

- 4NT = two-suited OR weak ♥
- 5 5 = to play
- $5 \checkmark = \text{Slam Try}$

13 Acol 2♣

2♣ opening = 23+ HCP or 9.5 winning tricks

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2♣ − ?

- $2 \rightarrow = positive 4+, GF$
- 2 = negative 3-
- $2\spadesuit$, $3\spadesuit$, $3 \diamondsuit = \text{own suit } 5+$
- 2NT = own suit () 5+

2 - 2

?

- Pass = good \forall
- 2 = 5+, F1
- 2NT = min, BAL, NF

any other bid = GF

$$2 - 2$$

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- 2NT = min, BAL
- $2 \checkmark$, $2 \spadesuit$, $3 \spadesuit$, $3 \diamondsuit = 5 +$, BAL
- $3 \checkmark$, $3 \spadesuit$, $4 \spadesuit$, $4 \diamondsuit$ = agreeing suit

$$2 - 2$$

2NT - ?

System as after 2NT opening

$$2 - 2$$

- $3 \checkmark = \text{fit}$
- 3 = no fit, relay

$$2 - 2$$

2♠ − ?

- 2NT = no fit, relay
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{fit}$

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- 2NT = 5 + 4
- 3 = 5 + 4
- 3**♦** = 6+**♥**
- 3 = 5 + 4

$$2 - 2$$

$$2 - 2NT$$

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- 3 = 5 + 4
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 \spadesuit + 4 \blacktriangledown$
- 3♥ = 6+**♠**
- $3 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit + 4 \clubsuit$

$14 \quad Acol - Kokish relay$

$$2 - 2$$

- 2 = Kokish relay, forces 2
- 2NT = 23-24, BAL

$$2 - 2$$

$$2$$
 $- 2$

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- 2NT = 25+, BAL
- 3♣ = 6♥, 23+
- 3 = 5 + 4 •, 23 +
- $3 \lor = 5 \lor + 4 \spadesuit$, 23 +

$$2 - 2$$

$$2NT - ?$$

SYSTEM ON

2 - 2

$$2 \checkmark - 2 \spadesuit$$

- 3NT = no fit, to play
- 4 = agreeing
- $4 \Rightarrow = agreeing \spadesuit$
- 4 = sign off
- $4 \implies = \text{sign off}$

15 Acol interference

Acol interference

$$2 - (x) - ?$$

- \times = negative
- PASS = positive

16 Rebid with 3-card support

1♣ - **1**♥

- $2 = 5 + \forall$, INV⁺, ASK LSF
- $2NT = 4 \checkmark$, INV
- 3 = 4 + 4, INV
- $3 \bullet = 4 \heartsuit$, **GF**

$$2 - ?$$

• 2NT = 44, INV

- 3 = 4 + 4, INV
- 3 = 5, INV^+ , ASK LSF
- 3♥ = 4♠, **GF**

17 Ask LSF

All basic ASK LSF sequences:

- $1\mathbf{M} 2\mathbf{M}$ $2\mathbf{M} + 1^{\mathbf{A}}$
- $1 \rightleftharpoons -1 \mathbf{M}$ $2\mathbf{M} - 2\mathbf{M} + 1^{\mathbf{A}}$
- $1\mathbf{M} 2\mathbf{x}$ $2\mathbf{M} - 2\mathbf{M} + 1^{\mathbf{A}}$
- $1 \rightleftharpoons -1 \mathbf{M}$ $3\mathbf{M} - 3\mathbf{M} + 1^{\mathbf{A}}$

More in: mini splinter and responding to partner's preempt.

Answering:

no shortness / lowest shortness / medium shortness / (highest shortness)

18 Gazilli

1♥ - 1♠

• 2 = 5 • 11-15 OR 16+ HCP **F1**

1♥ − **1NT**

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- 2 = 5 11-15 OR 16+ HCP **F1**
- 2 = 5 ♥ 4 11-15
- 2 = 11-15
- $2 \spadesuit = 6 \heartsuit 5 \spadesuit GF$

- $2NT = 6 \checkmark 5 \Leftrightarrow GF$
- 3♣ = 5♥ 5♣ **GF**
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacktriangledown 5 \blacklozenge \mathbf{GF}$
- $3 \checkmark = agreeing \checkmark GF$

1 - 1NT

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- $PASS = 5332 \ 12-14$
- $2 = 5 = 11-15 \text{ OR } 16 + \text{HCP } \mathbf{F1}$
- 2 = 5 4 11-15
- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 11-15
- 2 = 11-15
- 2NT = 6 4 5 GF
- $3\clubsuit = 5\spadesuit 5\clubsuit GF$
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 \spadesuit 5 \blacklozenge \mathbf{GF}$
- 3♥ = 6♠ 5♥ **GF**
- $3 \triangleq \text{agreeing} \triangleq \mathbf{GF}$

1♥ - 1♠

2 - ?

- **♦** = 8+
- **♥** = 2**♥** 5-7
- $\spadesuit = \text{good } 5 \spadesuit 5-7$
- $2NT = 1 \checkmark 5 7$
- 3 = 6 + 5 = 5 = 7
- $3 \blacklozenge = 6 + \blacklozenge 5 7$

1♥ - **1NT**

2♣ - ?

• 2**♦** = 8+

- 2 = 2 3 = 5 7
- 2 = 55 5 7
- $2NT = 1 \checkmark 5 7$
- 3♣ = 6+♣ 5-7
- 3 > 6 + 5 = 7

1 - 1NT

2 - ?

- 2**♦** = 8+
- 2♥ = 5♥ 5-7
- 2♠ = 2-3♠ 5-7
- 2NT = 1 45 7
- 3♣ = 6+♣ 5-7
- 3 > 6 + 5 = 7

1♥ - 1♠

$$2 - 2$$

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- 2♥ = 5♥ 4♣ 11-15
- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \heartsuit$, = $3 \spadesuit 16 +$
- 2NT = 5332 18-20
- 3♣ = 5♥ 4♣ 16+
- $3 > = 5 \lor 4 > 16 +$
- 3♥ = 6♥ 16+
- 3♠ = 5♥ 4♠ **GF**

$$1$$
V $- 1$ NT

$$2 - 2$$

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- 2 = 5 4 11-15
- 2♠ = 5♥ 4♠ 16+

- 2NT = 5332 18-20
- 3♣ = 5♥ 4♣ 16+
- 3 > = 5 4 > 16 +
- 3♥ = 6♥ 16+

1 - 1NT

$$2 - 2$$

?

- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 16+
- 2♠ = 5♠ 4♣ 11-15
- 2NT = 5332 18-20
- 3♣ = 5♠ 4♣ 16+
- 3 > = 5 > 4 > 16 +
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 16+
- 3♠ = 6♠ 16+

19 Mini Splinters

any shortness 9-11, 4-card support, not GF!

1♥ - ?

- $2 = \min \text{ splinter}$
- 2NT = INV + fit

1♠ − ?

- 2NT = mini splinter
- $3 \lor = INV + fit$

1 \vee -2

?

• 2NT = ASK LSF

1♠ - **2NT**

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• 3 = ASK LSF

1♥ - **2**♠

2NT - ?

- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$ shortness
- $3 \Rightarrow =$ shortness
- $3 \checkmark = 4$ shortness
- $3 \spadesuit = \spadesuit$ shortness **GF** (max)

1 - 2NT

3♣ − ?

- $3 \Rightarrow = \$$ shortness
- $3 \checkmark =$ shortness
- $3 \spadesuit =$ shortness
- 3NT = shortness **GF** (max)

20 Transfers after 1_{M} (\times)

1♥ - (×) -?

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \text{)}$
- 1 = NAT, 4 + 4, F1
- 1NT = TRSF to 2
- 2 = TRSF to 2
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } 2 \blacktriangledown$, constructive 8-10
- 2 = 4-7, 3
- 2 = 4, $(3)4 \vee INV^+$
- $2NT = 4 + \bigvee INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$, $(3)4 \checkmark INV^+$

- $3 = 4 + \checkmark, 6 9$
- 3 = 4 + 7, 0-5
- 3♠ = 4+♥, **ASK LSF**

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- 3NT = semi-preempt, \spadesuit , $4+ \heartsuit$
- $4 \clubsuit = \text{semi-preempt}, \clubsuit, 4 + \heartsuit$
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{semi-preempt}, \blacklozenge, 4 + \blacktriangledown$
- 4 = preempt

1♠ - (×) - ?

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \clubsuit)$
- $1NT = TRSF \text{ to } 2 \clubsuit$
- 2 = TRSF to 2
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } 2 \blacktriangledown$
- $2 \nabla = \text{TRSF to } 2 \spadesuit$, constructive 8-10
- $2 \spadesuit = 4-7, 3 \spadesuit$
- $2NT = 4 \spadesuit INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$, $(3)4 \spadesuit INV^+$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \blacklozenge$, $(3)4 \spadesuit INV^+$
- 3 = 4 + 4, 6-9
- 3 = 4 + 4, 0-5
- $3NT = 4 + \spadesuit$, ASK LSF
- $4 \clubsuit = \text{semi-preempt}, \clubsuit, 4+\spadesuit$
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{semi-preempt}, \blacklozenge, 4 + \spadesuit$
- $4 \lor = \text{semi-preempt}, \lor, 4 + \spadesuit$
- $4 \rightleftharpoons$ = preempt

21 2nt overcall after major preempt

(2M) - ?

• 2NT = 16-18 BAL, promises **M** stopper

$(2 \lor) - 2NT - (P) - ?$

- $3 \clubsuit = \text{forces } 3 \diamondsuit$, $1 \heartsuit GF OR \text{ weak with } \diamondsuit$
- $3 \blacklozenge = 4 \spadesuit \mathbf{GF}$
- $3 \checkmark = \text{forces } 3 \spadesuit, 5 + \spadesuit, \text{ weak or } GF$
- 3♠ = long minor/minors, no ♥ shortness, 3NT = ASK
- 3NT = to play
- $4 \clubsuit = 6 \clubsuit 5 \spadesuit$, may have shortness
- $4 \rightleftharpoons 6 \rightleftharpoons 5 \spadesuit$, may have shortness
- 4♥ = 6+♠
- $4 \rightleftharpoons = \text{minors}$
- 4NT = quantitative

$$(2 \checkmark) - 2NT - (P) - 3 .$$

 $(P) - 3 \checkmark - (P) - ?$

- PASS = weak with \bullet
- 3♥ = 3-**♠**
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \spadesuit$
- 3NT = 5
- 4♣ = 6+♠

$$(2♥) - 2NT - (P) - 3♣$$

$$(P) - 3 - (P) - 3$$

$$(P) - ?$$

- $3 \spadesuit = \text{last train for a 3NT game}$
- $3NT = good \bigvee stopper$

$$(2) - 2NT - (P) - 3$$

$$(P) - 3 - (P) - ?$$

- 3NT = weak own suit
- $4 \clubsuit$, $4 \diamondsuit$ = own suit
- $4 = 4 \div : 4$ agreeing $4 \div 4$ agreeing $4 \div 4$
- 4♠ = 3♠

$$(2 \checkmark) - 2NT - (P) - 3 \checkmark$$

(P) -?

- $3 \checkmark = \text{minors}$
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \spadesuit$
- 3NT = to play

$$(2 \checkmark) - 2NT - (P) - 3 \checkmark$$

 $(P) - 3 \diamondsuit - (P) - ?$

- PASS = weak, 5+
- 3NT = PASS/correct
- $4 \clubsuit / 4 \spadesuit = \text{NAT}$

$$(2 \checkmark) - 2NT - (P) - 3 \diamondsuit$$

(P) - 3NT - (P) - ?

- 4 4 = NAT, agreeing suit
- 4 = 1, both minors
- $4 \spadesuit = \text{void} \spadesuit$, both minors

$$(2 \checkmark) - 2NT - (P) - 4 \checkmark$$

 $(P) - 4 \checkmark - (P) - ?$

- 4NT = RKCB 1430
- 5x = EX 0314

$$(2•) - 2NT - (P) - ?$$

- $3 \clubsuit = \text{forces } 3 \diamondsuit$, $1 \clubsuit GF OR \text{ weak with } \diamondsuit$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{forces } 3 \blacktriangledown, 5 + \blacktriangledown, \text{ weak or } \mathbf{GF}$
- $3 = \log \min(-1)$ shortness, 3 = ASK
- 3♠ = 4♥, **GF**
- 3NT = to play
- $4 \clubsuit = 6 \clubsuit 5 \heartsuit$, may have shortness
- $4 \blacklozenge = 6 \blacklozenge 5 \blacktriangledown$, may have shortness
- 4 = 6 +
- $4 \triangleq \text{minors}$
- 4NT = quantitative

$$(2\clubsuit) - 2NT - (P) - 3\clubsuit$$

(P) $-3 \spadesuit - (P) - ?$

- PASS = weak with \bullet
- 3♥ = 3-♥
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \heartsuit$
- 3NT = 5
- 4♣ = 6+♥

$$(2\clubsuit) - 2NT - (P) - 3\clubsuit$$

 $(P) - 3� - (P) - 3\blacktriangledown$

- (P) ?
 - $3 \spadesuit = \text{last train for a 3NT game}$
 - 3NT = good stopper

$$(2•) - 2NT - (P) - 3•$$

$$(P) - 3♦ - (P) - 3♥$$

$$(P) - 3 - (P) - ?$$

• 3NT = weak own suit

- $4\clubsuit$, $4\blacklozenge$ = own suit
- 4**♥** = 3**♥**

$$(2\clubsuit) - 2NT - (P) - 3 \diamondsuit (P) - 3 \heartsuit - (P) - ?$$

- PASS = weak, $5+ \checkmark$
- 3NT = PASS/correct
- $4 \sqrt{4} = NAT$

$$(2\clubsuit) - 2NT - (P) - 3\blacktriangledown (P) - 3\spadesuit - (P) - ?$$

- 4 4 = NAT, agreeing suit
- $4 \checkmark = 1 \spadesuit$ both minors
- $4 \spadesuit = \text{void} \spadesuit \text{ both minors}$

$$(2•) - 2NT - (P) - 3•$$

(P) -?

- 4♣ = 4♥
- 3NT = to play

$$(2\clubsuit) - 2NT - (P) - 4 \diamondsuit (P) - 4 \heartsuit - (P) - ?$$

- 4 = RKCB 1403
- 4NT = EX 0314
- 5 5 = EX 0314

22 Overcalls after 2nt opening

(2NT) - ?

- × = ♣ OR *****
- 3♣ = ♣ OR ****
- 3♦ = ₩ OR ★

23 Dealing with Multi/Wilkosz

$(2^{\bullet}) - ?$

- $\times = (13)14-16$ BAL, no 5M, may have minor singleton !!
- 2 = 11-15, 5+
- 2♠ = 11-15, 5+♠
- 2NT = 17-19, BAL
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$, not 5332/5422
- 3 = •, not 5332/5422
- $3 \checkmark$, $3 \spadesuit$ = solid suit, weaker then power double
- 3nt = ♣ !!
- 4♣ = ♣+♥
- 4♦ = ♦+₩

$$(2^{\blacklozenge}) - P - (P^{A}) - ?$$

System like after 2♦ preempt.

$$(2
ightharpoonup) - P - (2
ightharpoonup) - ?$$

- PASS = no suitable call OR takeout with ♠ shortness
- $\times = 14\text{-}16 \text{ BAL}$

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- $2 \spadesuit = 11-15$, $5+\spadesuit$, may be solid $4 \spadesuit$ with $1- \heartsuit$
- 2NT = 17-19, BAL

(2•) - P - (2•) - ?

- Pass = no suitable call OR takeout with ♥ shortness
- \times = takeout with \spadesuit shortness
- 2NT = 17-19, BAL

$$(2^{\bullet}) - P - (>2^{\bullet}) - ?$$

• \times = takeout

$$(2 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}) - P - (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown}) - P$$

 $(P) - ?$

• $2NT = \clubsuit$

$$(2
ightharpoonup) - \times - (\times \times / \text{PASS}) - ?$$

• PASS = want to defend, doubles are penalty

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- 2 = 5 +, to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl (see below)
- 3 = Stayman
- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } \blacktriangledown$, **GF**+ superaccepts
- 3 = TRSF to , GF + superaccepts
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to NT}$, no $\$ \implies$ stoppers
- $4 \blacklozenge$, $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

$$(2
ightharpoonup) - \times - (\times \times / \text{PASS}) - 2 \text{NT}$$

 $(P) - 3
ightharpoonup - (P) - ?$

- PASS = to play
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \mathbf{GF}$, no $4\mathbf{M}$
- $3 \checkmark$, $3 \spadesuit = INV$

$$(2 \blacklozenge) - \times - (\blacktriangledown/\spadesuit) - ?$$

- $\times = 9+$, F to 2NT, no 5, no shortness
- 2NT = Lebensohl (see below)
- 3♣ = Stayman
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{TRSF to } \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\bullet}, \text{ GF} + \text{ superaccepts}$
- 3 = TRSF to , GF + superaccepts
- $3 \spadesuit$ = takeout with opps' suit shortness, **GF**
- $4 \blacklozenge$, $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

$$(2 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}) - \times - (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown} / \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{•}) - 2NT$$

 $(P) - 3 \stackrel{\clubsuit}{•} - (P) - ?$

- $PASS/3 \Rightarrow to play$
- $3 \checkmark$, $3 \spadesuit = INV$

$$(2 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}) - \times - (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\bullet} / \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{\bullet}) - \times (P) - ?$$

- PASS = to play
- 2 = 4, **F**1
- 2NT = NAT, minimum
- $3 \clubsuit = NAT$, minimum
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{=} NAT$, minimum
- $3 \checkmark$ over $2 \spadesuit = NAT$, minimum
- cue $3 \checkmark$, $3 \spadesuit = \text{maximum}$, no stopper, no $4 \spadesuit$
- 3NT = maximum, stopper, no 4♠

$$(2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}) - \times - (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown}) - \times (2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}) - ?$$

- PASS $= \mathbf{F}\mathbf{1}$
 - \times = penalty
 - 2NT = do not want to defend, GF
 - 3 = NAT, GF
 - $3 \Rightarrow = \text{NAT}, \mathbf{GF}$
 - $3 \checkmark = NAT, GF$
 - $3 \spadesuit = \text{maximum}$, no \spadesuit stopper
 - 3NT = maximum, stopper

$$(2 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}) - \times - (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\bullet}) - \times (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{\bullet}) - P - (P) - ?$$

$$(2
ightharpoonup) - \times - (2
ightharpoonup) - \times (3
ightharpoonup) - ?$$

- PASS = 14-16, no $4 \spadesuit$ OR power double, **F1**
- $\times = 14\text{-}16, 4\spadesuit$, defensive

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$$1 - (1) - P - (2)$$

- × = ♣ ♠, choose
- $2NT = \clubsuit •$, choose
- $3 \clubsuit = \text{to play}$

$$1 - (1 - P - (2 - P))$$

- $\times = \Phi ,$ choose
- $2NT = \clubsuit •$, choose
- $3 \clubsuit = \text{to play}$

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- $\times =$ \bullet , choose
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit \bullet$, choose

$$1 - (1) - P - (2)$$

- $\times = \bullet \, \bullet$, choose
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit \bullet$, choose