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# General assumptions

## Offensive bidding

- 1 = 2 + (Strefa)
- weak 1NT 11-14 (non-vul)
- Swedish 2 openings (10-13)
- 2♦ Multi
- strong 2NT (20-21)
- Dutch 2♠ (♦ preempt or Acol)
- non-**GF** reverses
- **HSF** schema (no shortness first)
- Non-serious 3NT; we do not show strength after 2/1 (shape only)
- 5 + 1 = RKCB for (4NT = NAT)
- showing kings with 2 keycards + Q (lowest bid = no kings)
- Specific King Query (agreed suit = no kings)
- Exclusion 03/14

## Competitive bidding

- Transfers after opponents' interference
- DONT after 1NT (×)
- Rubensohl + Lebensohl after 1nt overcall

## Defensive bidding

- Rubens advances
- Kokish 2• Multi (Wilkosz) defense
- CRASH 2NT defense
- Jassem 1nt defense
- Michaels full range (not mini-maxi)

## Defensive signaling

- Polish (upside-down) opening lead
- upside-down count and attitude (high-low odd/discouraging)
- Lavinthal (suit preference) discards

Offensive bidding

# Minor suit openings

## 1♣ opening

$$1 - 2$$

2♣ = GF NAT or BAL

- $2 \rightarrow$  BAL
- 2♥ = 5♣ 4♥
- 2NT = 5 4
- 3♣ = ♣

$$2 \blacklozenge - ?$$

- 2**\** = 5♣ 4**\**
- 2NT = 12-14/18 + BAL
- 3 = 6, no 4
- 3♦ = 5♣ 4**♦**
- 3NT = 15-17 BAL

## **1**♦ opening

#### **1**♦ − ?

- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 4 + \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$ ,  $INV^+$
- 2 = 5 4 5 11

- 2 = 11 + BAL, no 4
- 2NT = 11-12 BAL
- $3\clubsuit = \rightarrow 3\spadesuit$ , preempt or strong splinter
- $3 \rightarrow = mixed raise$
- 3NT = 15-17 BAL

#### **1**♦ - **3**♣

**3**♦ – ?

•  $3 \checkmark / 3 4 / 3$ NT =  $\checkmark / 4 / 4$  shortness

#### **1**♦ - **1**₩

**2**♦ – ?

- 2 =  $\mathbf{NF}$
- 3rd suit = stopper, GF
- 2NT = GF
- $3 \Rightarrow = INV$

#### **1**♦ - **2**♦

?

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

bidding higher suit denies lower stopper

#### 1 - 2

- 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

## Negative 1♦

- **1**♣ ?
  - $1 \rightleftharpoons 0 6 \text{ or } 16 + \text{ BAL or } 5 + \spadesuit 7 11$
- **1**♣ **1**♦
  - 1♥ = 3+
  - 1NT = 18-20 BAL
  - 2♣ = 5+♣
  - $2 /2 \checkmark /2 = serious revers (19+)$
  - $3\clubsuit$  = serious invite 19-20
- 1♣ 1♦
- **1**₩ ?
  - 2 > = 5 + > 4 11
  - $2 \spadesuit$  over  $1 \heartsuit = \clubsuit 10-11$
  - 2NT = 16 + BAL
  - 3 = 6 + 9 11

## Forcing 1♠ rebid

- 1♣ 1♥
- **1**♠ − ?
  - 1NT = 7-10 BAL
  - 2 = two-way checkback (does not always force 2 > )
  - $2 = \text{any } \mathbf{GF}$

- $2 \lor = 5 + \lor, NF$
- $2 \spadesuit = 4 + \spadesuit$

#### 1♣ - 1♥

1 - 1NT

- 2♣ = 5+♣, 11-14
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{art}$ , any  $15 + \frac{BAL}{A}$
- 2 = 3, 11-14
- 2NT = 18-19 BAL GF

## Jump reverses

?

• 
$$2 \spadesuit = \clubsuit \mathbf{GF}$$

?

• 
$$3 \blacklozenge = \clubsuit \mathbf{GF}$$

?

• 
$$2 \spadesuit =$$
 **GF**

#### **1**♦ - **1**♠

?

• 
$$3 \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}$$

## Two-way checkback

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

$$1x - 1y$$

$$1z - ?$$

• 
$$2 = \rightarrow 2$$

• 
$$2 \bullet = \text{any } \mathbf{GF}$$

• 
$$2NT = \rightarrow 3\Phi$$
, weak or 55

$$1x - 1y$$

$$1z-2NT$$

• 
$$3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 \mathbf{y} 5 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$$

• 
$$3 \checkmark = 5 \mathbf{y} 5 \checkmark$$

## Flannery

# Major suit openings

## 1₩ opening

#### **1**₩ - ?

- 2 = constructive raise
- $2 \spadesuit$  (over  $1 \heartsuit$ ) = preempt
- 2NT = limit raise
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 
  ightharpoonup = \min \text{ splinter}$
- $3 \checkmark \text{ (over } 1 \spadesuit) = \text{NAT } \mathbf{INV}$
- 3% = preemptive
- 3NT/4x(3) = splinter
- $4 \checkmark / 4 \checkmark = \rightarrow 4 \checkmark$

## Drury

## **2**♥ opening

#### **2♥A** - ?

- $2 \spadesuit = \text{NAT } 5+, \mathbf{F} \text{ to } 3 \blacktriangledown$
- 2NT = relay
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit GF (3 \spadesuit = ask)$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \mathbf{INV}^+, \blacktriangledown \text{ fit}$

- 3 = preemptive
- 3 4/4 = splinter
- 3NT = to play

#### 2♥ - 2♠

?

- $2NT = no \cdot support$
- 3 = 4 +
- 3**♥** = 7**♥**
- $3 \spadesuit = 3 \spadesuit$ , weak
- 3NT = 4 shortness, better hand
- $4 \Longrightarrow = \text{splinter}, 3 + \Longrightarrow$
- 4 = 3-4, better hand

#### 2V- 2NT

?

- 3 = 4 + 4 (3 = ask)
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \implies$  feature  $(3 \checkmark = ask)$
- 3 =bad hand
- 3NT = good hand, no shortness

2V- 2NT

3 - 3

- 3♥ = 4♠
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \clubsuit$
- 3NT = 4

```
2 V - 2 NT
```

$$3 \blacklozenge - 3 \blacktriangledown$$

?

- 3NT = feature

#### $2 \checkmark - 3 \diamond$

?

- $3 \checkmark = \text{weak}$
- 3 = better hand, shortness (3NT = ASK HSF)
- 3NT = better hand, no shortness

## 2♠ opening

$$2 ^{A} - ?$$

- 2NT = relay
- $3 = 5 + \forall F1$
- $3 \bullet = GF (3 = ask)$
- $3 \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{INV}^+, \mathbf{V}$  fit
- $3 \spadesuit$  = preemptive
- $4 \clubsuit / 4 \blacktriangledown = \text{splinter}$
- 3NT = to play

#### 2 - 2NT

- 3 = 4 + 4 (3 = ask)
- $3 \checkmark = \checkmark$  feature
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{weak hand}$
- 3NT = good hand, no shortness

```
2 - 2NT
```

- $3 \checkmark = 4 \checkmark$
- 3♠ = 4♣
- 3NT = 4

$$2 - 2NT$$

- 3♠ = ♣ feature
- 3NT = feature

$$2 - 3$$

- 3**♠** = **♣**
- 3NT =

# 2♠ - 3♥ ?

- 3 = weak hand
- 3NT = good hand, shortness (4 ASK HSF)
- cue = good hand, no shortness

# American rebid (with 3-card support)

```
2♥ rebid with 3-card does not deny 4♠.

Do not rebid 2♠ with 3(244).

With 43(42) rebid 1♠, not 2♥.

1♠ - 1♥
2♥ - ?

• 2♠ = GF

• 2NT = INV ♠

• 3♠ /3♥ = INV

1♠ - 1♥
2♥ - 2♠
?

• 2NT = 4♥ (3♠ = ask)

• 3♠ = 3♥ + shortness (3♦ = ask, does not agree ♥)

• 3♦ = 2326

• 3♥ = 2335

• 3♠ = 3325
```

• 3NT = 2344

?

• 
$$3 \blacklozenge = BAL$$

• 
$$3NT = 3415$$

$$2 - ?$$

• 
$$2NT = GF$$

• 
$$3\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{INV}$$

$$2 - 2NT$$

?

• 
$$3 \clubsuit = 4 \spadesuit (3 \spadesuit = ask)$$

• 
$$3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\blacktriangle} + \text{ shortness } (3 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown} = \text{ask, does not agree } \stackrel{\bullet}{\blacktriangle})$$

• 
$$3NT = 3235$$

$$2 - 2NT$$

• 
$$3 \checkmark = BAL$$

• 
$$3 \spadesuit = 4225$$

• 
$$3NT = 4135$$

• 
$$4 = 4315$$

```
1 \blacklozenge - 1 \blacktriangledown
```

• 
$$2 \spadesuit = \mathbf{GF}$$

• 
$$2NT = INV \spadesuit$$

• 
$$3\clubsuit/3\blacktriangledown = INV$$

## 1 → 1 ♥

$$2$$
V $- 2$ 

?

• 
$$2NT = 4$$
  $(3$  =  $ask)$ 

• 
$$3 = 3 + \text{shortness}$$
 ( $3 = \text{ask}$ , does not agree  $\checkmark$ )

• 
$$3NT = 2352$$

$$1 \color{red} \blacklozenge -1 \color{red} \blacktriangledown$$

### 2♥ - 2♠

?

• 
$$3 > 2452$$

• 
$$3 = 1453/1444$$

• 
$$3 \triangleq 3451/4441$$

#### **1**♦ - **1**♠

#### 2 - ?

• 
$$2NT = \mathbf{GF}$$

• 
$$3\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{INV}$$

```
1♦ - 1♠
2 - 2NT
    • 3 \clubsuit = 4 \spadesuit (3 \spadesuit = ask)
   • 3 = 3 + \text{shortness} (3 = \text{ask, does not agree } )
    • 3♥ = 3262
    • 3 = 3253
    • 3NT = 3352
1 \blacklozenge - 1 \spadesuit
2 - 2NT
3 - 3 
    • 3 \checkmark = BAL
    • 3 = 4252
    • 3NT = 4153
    • 4 = 4351
1♥ - 1♠
2 - ?
    • 2NT = GF
    • 3\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{INV}
1♥ - 1♠
2 - 2NT
    • 3 - 4 = 4  (3 + 2 = 4  ask)
```

•  $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} + \text{ shortness } (3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\lor} = \text{ask, does not agree } \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet})$ 

• 3 = 3622

• 3**♠** = 3523

• 3NT = 3532

$$2 - 2NT$$

• 
$$3 \checkmark = BAL$$

• 
$$3NT = 4513$$

Ask shape 2nt schema (reverses, 2/1, 2nt rebid)

# 1<sub>NT</sub> opening

```
1NT - ?
     • 2 = \text{Stayman}
     • 2 \checkmark / 2 \checkmark = \rightarrow \checkmark
     • 2 \spadesuit = \rightarrow \spadesuit
     • 2NT = 6+ weak/GF or \clubsuit weak (54)
                                                                                                                     !
     • 3♣ = Puppet Stayman (like after 2NT opening)
     • 3 \blacklozenge = 6 + \blacklozenge \mathbf{INV}
     • 3 \rightleftharpoons = 4441 (\rightleftharpoons \text{shortness}) GF
1NT - 2
     • 2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{no } 4 \stackrel{\bullet}{\blacktriangleright}
     • 2 = 4 
     • 2 \spadesuit = 4 \spadesuit
     • 2NT = both 4\%, min
     • 3 = both 4 , max
1NT - 2
2♦ − ?
     • 2♥ = \ weak
     • 2 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit, INV
     • 2NT = INV
```

- 3 =ask shape
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{ask } 3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$
- $3 \checkmark = 4$  shortness
- $3 \spadesuit =$  shortness

?

- 3**♦** = 5**♣**
- 3♥ = 2♠
- 3♠ = 2♥
- 3NT = 33(34)

$$1NT - 2$$

$$2 \blacklozenge - 3 \blacklozenge$$

3₩ - ?

- 3NT/4 = to play
- other = cuebid

#### 1NT - 2

**2♥** - ?

- $2 \triangleq \text{relay } (2\text{NT} = \min, 3 \triangleq \max)$
- 2NT = 5, INV
- 3 =ask shape
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \Longrightarrow$  shortness
- $3 \checkmark = INV$
- 3 4/4 = splinter

1NT - 2

**2♥** - **2♠** 

2NT - ?

• Pass = INV bal

- 3 = 6 4 4 INV
- $3 \blacklozenge = 6 \blacklozenge 4 \spadesuit INV$
- $3 \lor = 4 \lor \text{slam try}$ , no splinter
- 3NT = choice of games

$$1NT - 2$$

3♣ - ?

- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 6 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} 4 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} (3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\lor} = ask)$
- $3 \lor = 4 \lor \text{slam try}$ , no splinter
- 3NT = to play

$$1NT - 2$$

- 2NT = INV
- 3 =ask shape
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \Longrightarrow$  shortness
- $3 \lor = 4 \spadesuit$  slam try, no splinter
- $3 \spadesuit = INV$

$$1NT - 2$$

$$2$$
  $-3$ 

?

- 3**♦** = 43**♣**
- 3♥ = 4♣
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 \spadesuit$
- 3NT = 4333 (4%)

$$1NT - 2$$

$$2NT - ?$$

• Pass = INV bal

- $3\clubsuit = 6+•$ ,  $\clubsuit$  shortness, no  $4\clubsuit$ , **GF**
- 3 > 4 + ?
- 3♥ = 4+**♠**

#### 1NT - 2♣

3♣ - ?

- 3 > 4 + ?
- 3♥ = 4+**♠**
- $3 \spadesuit = 6 + \spadesuit$ ,  $\clubsuit$  shortness, no  $4 \heartsuit$ , **GF**

$$1$$
NT  $-2$  $\checkmark$  $/2$  $\checkmark$ 

?

- $2 \rightleftharpoons acc$
- 2NT = 4 + max
- $3\% = 4 + \% \min$

#### 1NT - 2

**2♥** - ?

- $2 \spadesuit = INV$
- 2NT = 4 + 4 GF
- $3 = 4 + \mathbf{GF}$
- $3 \bullet = 6 + \bigvee \mathbf{GF}$
- 3♥ = 5♥ 4♠, INV
- $3 4/4 \implies$  = splinter

1NT - 2

2♥ - 2♠

- 2NT/3 = min
- $3\clubsuit = \max$ , no  $3\blacktriangledown$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \max, 3 \blacktriangledown$

• 3NT = choice of games

## 

- $3\clubsuit = 3\blacktriangledown + 4\clubsuit$
- 3**♦** = 3**♥**
- 3♥ = 4♣
- 3NT = to play

$$2 - ?$$

- 2NT = 4 + 4 GF
- $3 = 4 + \mathbf{GF}$
- 3 > 55, INV
- $3 \checkmark = 6 + 4 \text{ GF}$
- $3 \spadesuit = 6 + \spadesuit \text{ INV}$

## 1NT - 2

- 2NT = min
  - $3 = \max$

#### ${\bf 1NT-2NT}$

?

•  $3 \implies$  = better minor

#### 1NT-2NT

- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{to play}$
- $3 \rightleftharpoons$  = splinter (agreeing  $\blacklozenge$ )

# 2<sub>NT</sub> opening

```
2NT^{A} opening = 21-22 BAL, may have 5
2NT - ?
   • 3♣ = Puppet Stayman
   • 3 = \rightarrow + \text{superaccepts}
   • 3 = \rightarrow + \text{superaccepts}
   • 3 \spadesuit = \text{forces } 3 \text{NT}
   • 3NT = 5 4 , NF
   • 4 = 55 
   • 4 \blacklozenge, 4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}
   • 4NT = quantitative
2NT - 3 
   • 3♥ = 2♥
   • 3NT = 3 + \forall, propositional
   • cue = 3 + 
2NT − 3♦
3♥ - ?
```

!

•  $3 \spadesuit = \rightarrow 3$ NT ( $\rightarrow$  Minor Puppet)

• 3NT = 4NAT

• cue = agreeing

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

$$2NT - 3$$

3NT - ?

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

## Minor Puppet Stayman

**3**♦ − ?

•  $4 \implies$  = Minor Puppet Stayman

**3**♥ − ?

- 4♣ = Minor Puppet Stayman
- $4 \rightarrow = \text{Minor Puppet}$ , ask 3s

2NT − 3♣

(3 - 3)

3NT - ?

- 4♣ = Minor Puppet Stayman
- 4 
  ightharpoonup = Minor Puppet, ask 3s

All of the above apply also after 1NT - 3 sequence.

```
2NT - 3
```

3♥ - 3♠

3NT - ?

- 4♣ = Minor Puppet Stayman
- $4 \rightleftharpoons = \text{Minor Puppet}$ , ask 3s

#### 2NT - 3

**3**♠ − ?

- 4♣ = Minor Puppet Stayman
- $4 \rightleftharpoons = \text{Minor Puppet}$ , ask 3s

?

- $4 \rightleftharpoons = 4 \clubsuit$ , no  $5 \clubsuit$
- 4♥ = 5+♣
- 4**♠** = 5+**♦**
- $4NT = no 4 \clubsuit$
- 5 = 5 , 4
- 5 > = 5 > 4

4 - ?

- 4♥ = 4♣
- 4♠ = 4♦
- 4NT = SIGN-OFF

... - 4

- 4♥ = 3+♣, 3+◆
- 4 = 3 + 4,  $2 (4NT = SIGN-OFF, other bids agreeing <math>\clubsuit$ )
- $4NT = 2\Phi$ ,  $3+\bullet$  (all bids agreeing  $\bullet$ )

... - 4 4

- $4 \spadesuit = \text{agreeing } \clubsuit$
- 4NT = SIGN-OFF
- 5 = agreeing

After showing  $\clubsuit$  (5-card, 4-card or 3-card) 4NT is a SIGN-OFF, other bids agree shown suit.

# 2♣ opening (Dutch Acol)

2♣ = weak with ♦ or **GF** with  $\clubsuit/\heartsuit/\spadesuit$  or 22+, BAL.

# Preempt openings

## 2♦ opening (Multi)

## 3-level openings

## Higher-level openings

#### 3♣ - ?

- $3 / \checkmark / = \text{NAT } 5+, \mathbf{GF}$
- $4 \rightleftharpoons =$ ask keycards
- 4% = to play

#### **3**♦ − ?

- 3 = NAT 5+, GF
- $4 \implies$  = ask keycards
- 4% = to play

#### **3**₩ − ?

•  $4 \implies =$ ask keycards

ask keycards answers: 0/1-Q/1+Q/2-Q/2+Q

#### 3NT - ?

3NT = constructive ♥ preempt

- $3\clubsuit$  = ask (answer with transfer)
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = ask$

Competitive bidding

# 1-level opening – opponents' overcalls

## Opponents' overcalls over 1♣ opening

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

- $\times \times = 10+$
- $1 \diamondsuit / 1 \blacktriangledown / 1 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to } \blacktriangledown / \spadesuit / \text{NT } 4 +$
- 1NT = 7-11
- 2 2 / 2 / 2 / 2 = TRSF to / / 2 / 2 = 6 +, weak/GF
- 2NT = 4 weak/**GF**
- $3 \clubsuit / 3 \spadesuit = INV$

#### **1**♣ - (**1**♦) - ?

- $\times = 7+, 4+$
- 1♥ = 7+, 4+♠
- $1 \spadesuit = \rightarrow 1$ NT
- 1NT = INV
- 2 = 54 6-11
- $2 /2 \checkmark /2 = \text{TRSF to } \checkmark / / 6+, \text{weak} / GF$
- 2NT = INV with  $\clubsuit$  and  $\blacklozenge$  stopper (F to  $3\clubsuit$ )
- 3 = INV
- $3 \blacklozenge =$ ask stopper, long  $\clubsuit$

#### 1♣ - (1♥) - ?

- $\times = 7+, 4+$
- $1 \spadesuit = \rightarrow 1$ NT
- 1NT = INV
- 2 / 2 / 2 = TRSF to / 4 / 6 +, weak/GF
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = INV^+$ , ask stopper  $(2NT/3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = NF)$
- 2NT = INV with  $\Phi$  or  $\bullet$  ( $3\Phi$  = reject)
- $3 \clubsuit / 3 \blacklozenge / 3 \spadesuit = INV$

#### **1**♣ - (**1**♠) - ?

- × = 4-5♥
- 1NT = 7-10,  $\bigstar$  stopper
- 2 2 / 2 = TRSF to 4 / 7 6+, weak/GF
- $2 \nabla = INV^+$ , ask stopper (2NT/3 NF)
- 2NT = INV
- $3 \clubsuit / 3 \blacklozenge / 3 \blacktriangledown = INV$

#### 1 - (1NT) - ?

- $\times$  = penalty 9+
- 2 = 54 (44)
- $2 \bullet / 2 \checkmark / 2 \spadesuit = \mathbf{NF}$
- 2NT = 55
- $3\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{INV} \; \mathbf{BAL}$

#### 1 - (2 ) - ?

#### $2 \blacklozenge = \blacklozenge$

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2 \checkmark / 2 \spadesuit = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
- $2NT/3 \diamondsuit / 3 \blacktriangledown = TRSF \text{ to } \diamondsuit / \blacktriangledown / \diamondsuit \text{ INV}^+$

- 3 = 54 % GF
- $3 \spadesuit =$ ask for  $\spadesuit$  stopper

#### 1♣ - (2♥) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- 2 = NAT NF
- $2NT/3 \clubsuit/3 \heartsuit = TRSF \text{ to } \pounds/ \diamondsuit/ \spadesuit INV^+$
- 3 =ask stopper
- 3**★** = **♣**

# 1 - (2 - ?)

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2NT/3 3 = TRSF \text{ to } -7 \text{ INV}^+$
- $3 \checkmark = ask stopper$
- 3**★** = **♣**

# **1**♣ - (**3**♣) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout, **GF**
- $3 /3 \checkmark = \text{TRSF to } \checkmark / •, INV^+$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to } \blacklozenge, \text{ GF}$

#### 1 - (3) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout, **GF**
- $3 \checkmark = \text{TRSF to } \spadesuit, \text{INV}^+$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to } \bigvee, \text{GF}$

- $\times = \Phi$ , INV<sup>+</sup>
- 3 = 4, no  $\forall$  stopper, **GF**

$$1 - (3 - ?)$$

•  $\times = 4$ , **GF**, no stopper

# Opponents' overcalls over 1♦ opening

# $1 \diamond - (\times) - ?$

- $\times \times = 10+$
- $1 \checkmark / 1 = 7 + \text{HCP}, 4 +$
- 1NT = 7-11
- 2 = raise weak/**GF**
- $2 /2 \checkmark /2 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to } \checkmark / \spadesuit / \spadesuit 6 +, \text{ weak/GF}$
- $2NT = 4 + •, INV^+$
- 3 = INV
- $3 \Rightarrow = \text{preempt}$

### 1♦ - (1♥) - ?

- × = 4+♠
- $1 \spadesuit = \rightarrow 1$ NT
- 1NT = INV
- $2\clubsuit/2\blacktriangledown/2\spadesuit$  = TRSF to  $•/\oint.$ , weak/GF
- $2 \blacklozenge = \blacklozenge \mathbf{INV}$
- 3 3 = NAT, **INV**
- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{preempt}$

#### 1 - (1 - ?)

- × = 4-5♥
- 1NT = 7-10
- 2 2 / 2 = TRSF to / / 2, weak/GF
- $2 \checkmark = \checkmark INV$

- 2NT = INV
- $3 \clubsuit / 3 \blacktriangledown = \text{NAT}, INV$
- $3 \Rightarrow = \text{preempt}$

#### 1 - (1NT) - ?

- $\times$  = penalty 10+
- 2 = 54 (44)
- $2 \diamondsuit / 2 \blacktriangledown / 2 \spadesuit = \mathbf{NF}$
- 2NT = INV
- 3x = NAT, INV BAL
- $3 \Rightarrow = \text{preempt}$

$$1 - (2 - ?)$$

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{=} NAT$
- $2 \checkmark / 2 = \text{NAT}, \mathbf{F1}$
- 2NT = 54
- $3 \clubsuit = \bullet INV^+$
- $3 \Rightarrow = \text{preempt}$
- $3 \checkmark / 3 \triangleq \text{color+fit}$

$$1♦$$
 -  $(2♥)$  - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2 \spadesuit = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
- $2NT/3 3V = TRSF \text{ to } 1NV^+$
- 3 
  ightharpoonup = competitive

$$1 - (2 ) - ?$$

•  $\times$  = takeout

- $2NT/3 = TRSF \text{ to } / \bullet, INV^+$
- $3 \bullet = \text{competitive}$
- $3 \lor = NAT, GF$

- $\times$  = takeout, **GF**
- $3 \bullet = \text{competitive}$
- 3 = 4,  $INV^+$
- 3♠ = ♥, **GF**

- $\times = \Phi$ , GF
- 3 = 4, no  $\forall$  stopper, **GF**

$$1 - (3 - ?)$$

# Opponents' overcalls over 1♥ opening

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \text{)}$
- $1 \spadesuit = \text{NAT}, 4 + \spadesuit, \mathbf{F1}$
- 1NT = TRSF to 2
- $2 \clubsuit = \text{TRSF to } 2 \spadesuit$
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } 2 \blacktriangledown$ , constructive 7-10
- 2♥ = 3-6, 3♥
- SYSTEM ON

$$1$$
♥  $-(1♠) - ?$ 

•  $\times$  = takeout

- 1NT = ♣
- 2♣ = ♦
- $2 
  ightharpoonup = \text{fit, constructive/} \mathbf{GF}$
- 2 = weak raise (4-6)
- $2 \spadesuit = \bigvee INV (4 \bigvee or shortness)$
- SYSTEM ON

**1♥** 
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 (**1NT**)  $-$  ?

- $\times = 10+$ , penalty
- $2 \sqrt{2} / 2$  NAT, **NF**
- $2NT = \clubsuit$
- 3♣ = **♥ INV**
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{mixed raise}$
- 3 = preempt
- $3 \spadesuit / 3$ NT $/4 \spadesuit = \spadesuit / \spadesuit / \spadesuit + fit$

# 1♥ - (2♣) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \mathbf{F1}$
- 2♥ = 6-10
- $2 \spadesuit = \mathbf{F1}$
- $2NT = \bigvee GF$
- 3♣ = **♥ INV**
- $3 \rightleftharpoons = mixed raise$
- 3 = preempt
- $3 \spadesuit / 4 \spadesuit = \text{color} + \text{fit}$

# 1♥ - (2♦) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- 2♥ = 6-10
- $2 \spadesuit = \mathbf{F1}$
- $2NT = 4 INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit = \bigvee INV^+$
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 \checkmark$  = preempt
- $3 \triangle / 4 \triangle = \operatorname{color} + \operatorname{fit}$

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2NT = 4 INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit =$   $\mathbf{INV}^+$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \bigvee INV^+$
- $3 \checkmark = \text{competitive}$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{splinter}$
- 4 4 = color + fit

# 1♥ - (3♣) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- $3 \blacklozenge = \bigvee INV^+$
- $3 \nabla = \nabla$  competitive
- 3♠ = ♠ **GF**
- $4 \implies$  slam try, no  $\implies$  shortness
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{slam try}, \clubsuit \text{ shortness}$

# 1♥ - (3♦) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- $3 \checkmark = \text{competitive}$
- 3♠ = ♠ **GF**
- 4 = slam try, no shortness
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{slam try}, \blacklozenge \text{shortness}$

# 1♥ - (3♠) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- $4 \implies$  = slam try, no  $\implies$  shortness
- $4 \rightarrow = \text{slam try}, \, \blacktriangle \text{ shortness}$
- $4 \spadesuit = \text{slam try}, \spadesuit \text{ void}$

# Opponents' overcalls over 1♠ opening

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

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \spadesuit \text{)}$
- 1NT = TRSF to 2
- 2 = TRSF to 2
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } 2 \blacktriangledown$
- 2 = TRSF to 2 , constructive 7-10
- 2♠ = 3-6, 3♠
- SYSTEM ON

#### 1 - (1NT) - ?

- $\times = 10+$ , penalty
- 2 / 2 / 2 / 2 = NAT, **NF**
- $2NT = \clubsuit$
- $3 \clubsuit = \spadesuit INV$

- $3 \rightleftharpoons = mixed raise$
- $3 \checkmark / 3 \text{NT} / 4 \clubsuit = \checkmark / / \clubsuit + \text{fit}$
- $3 \triangleq \text{preempt}$

# 1 - (2 - ?)

- $\times$  = takeout
- $2 \bullet / 2 \blacktriangledown = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{1}$
- 2♠ = 6-10
- 2NT = 4 GF
- $3\clubsuit = \bigstar INV$
- $3 \rightleftharpoons = mixed raise$
- $3 \checkmark = \checkmark + \text{fit}, INV$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{preempt}$
- 4 /4 = color + fit

# 1 - (2) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- 2 = F1
- 2♠ = 6-10
- $2NT = 4 INV^+$
- 3♣ = **♦ GF**
- $3 \blacklozenge = 4 \text{ INV}$
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{preempt}$
- 4 4 = color + fit

# 1♠ -(2♥) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- 2 = 6-10

- $2NT = 4 INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit = \bullet \mathbf{INV}^+$
- $3 \bullet = 4 \text{ INV}^+$
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{preempt}$
- $4 \clubsuit / 4 \spadesuit = \text{color} + \text{fit}$

# **1**♠ - (**3**♠) - ?

- $\times$  = take out
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \bigvee INV^+$
- $3 \checkmark = 4 \text{ INV}^+$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{competitive}$
- $4\clubsuit = \text{slam try}$ , no  $\clubsuit$  shortness
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{slam try}, \clubsuit \text{ shortness}$
- $4 \checkmark /4 = \text{to play}$

# **1**♠ - (**3**♦) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- 3♥ = ♥ **GF**
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{competitive}$
- $4 \implies$  = slam try, no  $\implies$  shortness
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{slam try}, \blacklozenge \text{shortness}$
- $4 \checkmark / 4 = \text{to play}$

# 1♠ - (3♥) - ?

- $\times$  = takeout
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{competitive}$
- $4 \implies$  = slam try, no shortness
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{slam try}, \blacklozenge \text{shortness}$

- $4 \checkmark = \text{slam try}, \checkmark \text{void}$
- 4NT = minors

# Opponents' overcalls over 1nt opening

1NT - (2 - ?)

 $2 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$ 

•  $\times$  = Stayman

SYSTEM ON

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

 $2 \clubsuit = \mbox{\%}$ 

- $\times = 8+$
- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$ ,  $2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\bullet}$  = to play
- $2 \spadesuit = \clubsuit$ , INV<sup>+</sup>
- $2NT/3 \clubsuit/3 \spadesuit/ \heartsuit = TRSF \text{ to } \clubsuit/ \diamondsuit/ \heartsuit/ \spadesuit, 5+, INV^+$
- 3♠ = **GF**

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

 $2 \blacklozenge = \blacklozenge$ 

- $\times$  = negative
- $2 \checkmark$ ,  $2 \spadesuit$  = to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- $3 = 5 + \forall$ ,  $INV^+$
- $3 \blacklozenge = 1 \blacklozenge$ ,  $\mathbf{INV}^+$
- $3 \lor = 5 + \spadesuit$ ,  $INV^+$
- 3 = 5 + 4,  $INV^+$
- 3NT = no stopper
- $4 \bullet$ ,  $4 \heartsuit = \text{Texas}$

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

2 > 6 +

- $\times = 8+$
- $2 \checkmark$ ,  $2 \spadesuit$  = to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- $3 = 5 + , INV^+$
- $3 = 5 + \forall$ ,  $INV^+$
- 3 = 5 + 4,  $INV^+$
- 3 = 5/5
- 3NT = to play
- 4 •,  $4 \checkmark = Texas$

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

- $\times$  = negative
- $2 \triangleq \text{to play}$
- 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
- $3 = 5 + , INV^+$
- $3 = 5 + \forall$ ,  $INV^+$

- $3 \lor = 55 . GF$
- $3 = 1 1 \cdot 100$
- 3NT = no stopper
- $4 \rightleftharpoons = \text{Texas}$

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

 $2nt = \clubsuit$ 

- $\times$  = 10+
- 3♣ = Stayman
- $3 \bullet = 5 + \heartsuit$ ,  $\mathbf{INV}^+$
- 3 = 5 + 4,  $INV^+$

1NT - (3.) - ?

- $\times$  = negative
- $3 = 5 + \forall$ ,  $INV^+$
- 3 = 5 + 4,  $INV^+$
- $3 \spadesuit = 5 + \blacklozenge$ ,  $INV^+$
- 3NT = to play

1NT - (3) - ?

- $\times$  = negative
- 3 = 5 + 4,  $INV^+$
- 3♠ = 5+♥, **GF**
- 3NT = to play

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

 $\times$  artificial

SYSTEM ON

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

- $\times$  = 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
- $2 \blacklozenge = 4 \blacklozenge + 4 \maltese$
- $2 \checkmark = 4 \checkmark + 4 \spadesuit$

# Dealing with 2-suited overcalls

$$1 - (2 - ?)$$

$$2 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$$

- $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
- $2 \checkmark = 4 \text{ INV}^+$
- $2 \spadesuit = \bullet INV^+$
- $2NT = \clubsuit$  weak
- $3 \rightleftharpoons = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
- 3 = 55 GF
- $3 \spadesuit = 55 \clubsuit INV$

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

 $2NT = \clubsuit$ 

- 3 = 54 % GF
- $3 \blacklozenge = \bigvee INV^+$

- $3 \lor = 4 \text{ INV}^+$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to NT}$
- 3NT = 55% slam try
- $4 \clubsuit = 55 \maltese$  (no slam try)
- $4 \diamondsuit / 4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

$$1 - (2 A) - ?$$

- $2 \blacklozenge = \ \bigstar$ 
  - $2 = 1 \text{NV}^+$
  - $2 \spadesuit =$  INV $^+$
  - 2NT = 4 weak
  - $3 \rightleftharpoons = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
  - $3 \rightleftharpoons = \text{splinter} (\mathbf{F} \text{ to } 4 \spadesuit)$

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

- 2NT =
  - $3 \clubsuit =$   $INV^+$
  - $3 \rightleftharpoons$  = competitive
  - $3 \checkmark = 4 \text{ INV}^+$
  - $3 \spadesuit = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$

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

- 2NT = 4 +
  - $3 \sqrt{3} / 3 = \text{TRSF to } / \sqrt{2} / \frac{1}{2} \text{INV}^+$
  - $3 \spadesuit = \mathbf{GF}$

$$1$$
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- $2 \spadesuit = \bigvee INV^+$
- $2NT = 4 INV^+$

- $3\clubsuit = \bullet INV^+$
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{mixed raise}$
- $3 \checkmark = \text{competitive}$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{splinter}$
- $4 \implies = \text{color} + \text{fit}$

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

- 3♣ = **♥ INV**<sup>+</sup>
- $3 \blacklozenge = \bigstar \mathbf{INV}^+$
- $3 \lor = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$

$$1 - (2 - ?)$$

- $2NT = 4 INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit = \bullet INV^+$
- $3 \bullet = 4 \text{ INV}^+$
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{competitive}$
- $4 \implies$  =  $\operatorname{color} + \operatorname{fit}$
- 4 = splinter

# $1 - (2NT^A) - ?$

- 3♣ = **♥** INV<sup>+</sup>
- $3 \blacklozenge = \bigstar INV^+$
- $3 \checkmark = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{NAT } \mathbf{NF}$

# Other opponents' overcalls

# **HSF** interference

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- $\times$  = no shortness
- PASS = shortness in •
- other suit = shortness in this suit
- $\bullet$  agreed suit = other shortness (if there is no place to bid it)

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$$ASK - (\times) - ?$$

- $\times \times = \text{no shortness}$
- PASS = shortness in doubled suit
- other suit = shortness in this suit

# **RKCB** interference

$$4NT - (\times/5 ) - ?$$

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$$4NT - (5) - ?$$

**DEPO** 

Defensive bidding