# 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 = 1 7, 5 + 4 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).

### 1x - 1y

- 1z ?
  - 2 =any invite, forces 2
  - $2 \blacklozenge = \text{any } \mathbf{GF}$

### 2 1<sub>M</sub> 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)
- $2 \clubsuit = \mathbf{GF}$ , usually no 5-card (or  $5+\clubsuit$ )
- $2 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacklozenge$ , **GF**
- 2 = constructive raise
- $2 = \min \text{ splinter}$
- 2NT = limit raise
- 3♣ = solid 6♣, **INV**
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{solid } 6 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}, INV$
- 3 = mixed raise
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{splinter} \spadesuit$
- 3NT = splinter •
- $4\Phi$  = splinter  $\Phi$
- $4 \rightleftharpoons 11$ HCP,  $4 \checkmark$ , no shortness

#### **1**♠ − ?

- 1NT = 5-11HCP, (or 5-7HCP with  $\spadesuit$  fit)
- $2 \mathbf{GF}$ , usually no 5-card (or  $5 + \mathbf{\Phi}$ )
- $2 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacklozenge$ , **GF**
- $2 \lor = 5 \lor$ , **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 = forces 2
- 2 = INV or TRSF to  $\Phi$
- $2NT = TRSF \text{ to } \blacklozenge$
- 3♣ = Puppet Stayman
- 3**♦** = 55**♣**
- 3♥ = 3-**♦** 1-**♥**, 54**♣**

- 3♠ = 3-♥ 1-♠, 54♣
- 3NT = to play
- 4 = 55
- $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $4 \blacktriangledown = Texas$
- 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**

$$1NT - 2$$

#### 1NT - 2

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$$2$$
  $- 2$ 

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

#### 1NT - 2

?

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

# 4 Overcalls after 1nt opening

### (1NT) - ?

- $\times = 5 + 4$
- 2**4** = 54 **%**
- 2♦ = 6+ **\**
- 2 = 5 + 4
- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit + 4 \clubsuit$

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

- 2 = PASS/correct
- $2 \Rightarrow = \text{show major}$

- 2 = own suit
- 2 = own suit

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

- 2 
  ightharpoonup = show better major
- $2 \checkmark$ ,  $2 \spadesuit$  = preference

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

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

### 5 1<sub>NT</sub> – dealing with interference

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

$$2 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$$

• 
$$\times$$
 = Stayman

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

$$2 - 5/4$$

- $\times = 8+$
- $2 \checkmark$ ,  $2 \spadesuit$ ,  $3 \spadesuit$  = 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
- $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

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

- 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
  - $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

### 1NT - (2 ) - ?

- $\times$  = 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
- $3 = 5 + , INV^+$
- $3 = 5 + \forall$ ,  $INV^+$
- 3♥ = 55♣, **GF**
- $3 = 1 1 \cdot 100$
- 3NT = no stopper
- $4 \rightarrow = \text{Texas}$

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

$$2NT = \clubsuit$$

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

#### 1NT - (3.) - ?

- $\times$  = negative
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 + \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown}, INV^+$
- 3 = 5 + 4,  $INV^+$
- $3 = 5 + , INV^+$
- 3NT = to play

### 1NT - (3) - ?

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

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

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

 $\times$  = penalty

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

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{1NT} - (\mathbf{\times}) - \mathbf{P^A} - (\mathbf{P}) \\ \times \times - (\mathbf{P}) - ? \end{array}$$

- 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
- $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$
- 4NT = quantitative

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### $2NT - 3 \blacklozenge$

?

- 3♥ = =2♥
- $3 = 4 + \forall$ , cue bid
- 3NT = =3
- $4\clubsuit$ ,  $4♦ = 4+\blacktriangledown$ , cue bid

$$2NT - 3$$

?

- 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

**OFF** in competition

$$P-1M$$

?

- 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 = void splinter

# P-1 $\checkmark$ 2 $\checkmark$ -?

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

# P-1 2 2 -?

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

$$\begin{array}{c} P-1M\\ 2\clubsuit-2M\\ ?\end{array}$$

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

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\begin{array}{c} P-1M \\ 2 - 2 \\ ? \end{array}
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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

1x - 1y - ?

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

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 = 8-10, bad quality
- $3 \triangleq 8-10$ , good quality

**2♥** - ?

- 2 = ASK LSF
- 2NT = 5 + 4

2 - ?

• 2NT = ASK LSF

### 12 Acol 2♣

2♣ opening = 23+ HCP or 9.5 winning tricks

#### **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

$$2 - 2$$

?

- 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

$$2 - 2$$

**2♥** - ?

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

$$2 - 2$$

**2**♠ − ?

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

$$2 - 2$$

?

• 
$$2NT = 5 + 4$$

• 
$$3 = 5 + 4$$

• 
$$3 = 5 + 4$$

$$2 - 2$$

$$2 - 2NT$$

?

• 
$$3 = 5 + 4$$

• 
$$3 \blacklozenge = 5 \spadesuit + 4 \blacktriangledown$$

• 
$$3 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit + 4 \spadesuit$$

#### Acol interference

$$2 - (x) - ?$$

- $\times$  = negative
- PASS = positive

# 13 Dealing with preempts

### (2 ) - ?

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

• 
$$4 = 4$$
, strong

•  $4NT = \clubsuit$ , weaker then  $4 \checkmark$ 

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$$(2♥) - × - (P) - ?$$

- 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 = 4, no  $\sim$  control, Slam Try

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•  $4 \spadesuit = \text{to play}$ 

$$(2 \checkmark) - \times - (P) - 2NT$$
  
 $(P) - 3m - (P) - ?$ 

- 3♦ = weak
  - $3 \lor = 4 \spadesuit$ , no  $\lor$  stopper
- 3 = 4, INV (8-11)
- 3NT = 44,  $\forall$  stopper

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ightharpoonup) - imes - (3 
ightharpoonup) - ?$$

•  $\times = \text{no } 4 - 10 + 10$ 

$$(2•) - ?$$

- $3 \spadesuit = Michaels$
- 4 4 = Leaping Michaels, GF
- $4 \rightleftharpoons = \clubsuit$ , 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 = 4, no  $\triangle$  control, Slam Try

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$$(2\clubsuit) - \times - (P) - 2NT$$
  
(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
- $5 \checkmark = \text{Slam Try}$

### 14 Rebid with 3-card support

2♥ - ?

- $2 = 5 + \forall$ , INV<sup>+</sup>, ASK LSF
- $2NT = 4 \checkmark$ , INV
- 3 4 + 4, INV
- 3 > 4 = 4, **GF**

 $2 \spadesuit - ?$ 

- 2NT = 44, INV
- 3 = 4 + 4, INV
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$ ,  $INV^+$ , ASK LSF

• 3 = 4 , GF

### 15 Ask LSF

All basic ASK LSF sequences:

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

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

#### **Answering:**

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

### 16 Gazilli

- **1♥ 1♠** 
  - 2 = 5 11-15 OR 16+ HCP **F1**
- **1♥ 1NT**
- 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

?

- 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 bigstyle 5 bigstyle GF
- 3 = 5 = 5 **GF**
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} 5 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} GF$
- $3 \checkmark = 6 4 5 \checkmark GF$
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{agreeing} \spadesuit \mathbf{GF}$

#### 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 = 6 + 5 7

### 1V- 1NT

2 - ?

- 2**♦** = 8+
- 2 = 2 3 = 5 7
- 2 = 55 5 7

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

#### 1♥ - 1♠

$$2 - 2$$

?

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

#### 1V- 1NT

$$2 - 2$$

?

- $2 \checkmark = 5 \checkmark 4 \stackrel{•}{•} 11-15$
- 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+
- $3 > = 5 \implies 4 > 16 +$
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 16+
- 3♠ = 6♠ 16+

# 17 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**♥ - **2**♠

?

• 2NT = ASK LSF

### 1 - 2NT

?

• 3 = ASK LSF

### **1♥** - **2♠**

2NT - ?

- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$  shortness
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} \text{ shortness}$
- $3 \checkmark = 4$  shortness
- $3 \spadesuit = \spadesuit$  shortness **GF** (max)

#### 1 - 2NT

**3♣** − ?

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

# 18 Transfers after $1_{\rm M}$ ( $\times$ )

### **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,  $(3)4 \vee INV^+$
- $2NT = 4 + \bigvee INV^+$
- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$ ,  $(3)4 \lor INV^+$

- $3 = 4 + \checkmark, 6 9$
- $3 \lor = 4 + \lor, 0 5$
- 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

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \clubsuit)$
- $1NT = TRSF \text{ to } 2 \clubsuit$
- 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 + 4, 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

### 19 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 ◆
- 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
- $4\clubsuit$ ,  $4\blacklozenge$  = 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♠ = 4♠
- 3NT = to play

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

- PASS = weak, 5+
- 3NT = PASS/correct
- 4 4 = 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

$$(2\bigvee) - 2NT - (P) - 4\bigvee$$
  
 $(P) - 4\diamondsuit - (P) - ?$ 

- 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+♥
- $4 \rightleftharpoons = \text{minors}$
- 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) ?
  - $3 \spadesuit = \text{last train for a 3NT game}$
  - 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

$$(2\spadesuit) - 2NT - (P) - 4\spadesuit$$
  
 $(P) - 4\blacktriangledown - (P) - ?$ 

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

## 20 Overcalls after 2nt opening

(2NT) - ?

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

### 21 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 4 = •, not 5332/5422
- 3 = •, not 5332/5422
- $3 \checkmark$ ,  $3 \spadesuit$  = solid suit, weaker then power double
- $3NT = \clubsuit$
- 4♣ = ♣+♥
- 4♦ = ♦+₩

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

System like after 2♦ preempt.

$$(2 \red) - P - (2 \red) - ?$$

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

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

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

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

$$(2 ) - P - (>2 ) - ?$$

•  $\times$  = takeout

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

•  $2NT = \clubsuit$ 

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

• PASS = want to defend, doubles are penalty

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

$$(2 
ightharpoonup) - \times - (\times \times / \text{PASS}) - 2 \text{NT}$$
  
 $(P) - 3 
ightharpoonup - (P) - ?$ 

- 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 = TRSF to , GF+ superaccepts
- $3 \nabla = \text{TRSF to } \triangle, \text{ GF} + \text{ superaccepts}$
- $3 \spadesuit$  = 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 = to play
- $3 \checkmark$ ,  $3 \spadesuit = INV$

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

- 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
  - $3 \clubsuit = \text{NAT}, \mathbf{GF}$
  - $3 \Rightarrow = \text{NAT}, \mathbf{GF}$
  - $3 \lor = NAT, GF$
  - $3 \spadesuit = \text{maximum}$ , 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

### 22 Other

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

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

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

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

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- $\times =$   $\bullet$  , choose
- 3 = 4, choose

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

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