Bridge Bidding System

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1 1m opening

1♣ – ?

- 1♦ = 0-6
- 1♥ = 4+♥
- 1♠ = 4+♠
- 1NT = 7-10, no 4**M**
- 2♣ = 12-14 BAL or ♣, **GF**
- 2♦ = no 4**M**, 5+♦, **GF**
- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 6-9
- 2♠ = 11+ BAL, no 4**M**
- 2NT = 11-12 BAL
- 3NT = 15-17 BAL

1♦ – ?

- 1♥ = 4+♥
- 1♠ = 4+♠
- 1NT = 6-10, no 4**M**, no ♦ support
- 2♣ = 12-14 BAL or ♣, **GF**
- 2♦ = no 4**M**, 4+♦, **GF**
- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 6-9
- 2♠ = 11+ BAL, no 4**M**
- 2NT = 11-12 BAL
- 3NT = 15-17 BAL

1♣ – 2♣
?

- 2♦ = BAL
- 2♥ = 5♣ 4♥ UNBAL
- 2♠ = 5♣ 4♠ UNBAL
- 2NT = 5♣ 4♦ UNBAL
- 3♣ = ♣ UNBAL

1♦ – 2♦
?

- 2♥ = ♥ stopper
- 2♠ = ♠ stopper
- 2NT = ♣ stopper
- 3♣ = sign off (treshold for invite)

  bidding higher suit denies lower stopper

1♣♦ – 2♥
?

- 2NT = **ASK LSF**

1♣ – 2♠
?

- 2NT = BAL min
- 3♣ = 5+♣ min
- 3♦ = 5+♦ **GF**
- 3♥ = 1-♥, 5+♣ **GF**
- 3♠ = 1-♠, 5+♣ **GF**
- 3NT = to play

1♦ – 2♠
?

- 2NT = BAL min
- 3♣ = 4+♣ min
- 3♦ = 5+♦ min
- 3♥ = 1-♥, 5+♦ **GF**
- 3♠ = 1-♠, 5+♦ **GF**
- 3NT = to play

Two way checkback

After any 1**x** – 1**y** – 1**z** sequence (except: 1♣ – 1♦ = negative).

1x – 1y
1z – ?

- 2♣ = any invite, forces 2♦
- 2♦ = any **GF**

2 1M opening

1♥ – ?

- 1♠ = 4+♠, no 3♥ OR 5♠ 3♥ + **GF**
- 1NT = 5-11HCP, (or 5-7HCPwith ♥ fit)
- 2♣ = **GF**, usually no 5-card (or 5+♣)
- 2♦ = 5♦, **GF**
- 2♥ = constructive raise
- 2♠ = mini splinter
- 2NT = limit raise

- 3♣ = solid 6♣, **INV**
- 3♦ = solid 6♦, **INV**
- 3♥ = mixed raise
- 3♠ = splinter ♠
- 3NT = splinter ♦
- 4♣ = splinter ♣
- 4♦ = 11HCP, 4♥, no shortness

1♠ – ?

- 1NT = 5-11HCP, (or 5-7HCPwith ♠ fit)
- 2♣ = **GF**, usually no 5-card (or 5+♣)
- 2♦ = 5♦, **GF**
- 2♥ = 5♥, **GF**
- 2♠ = constructive raise
- 2NT = mini splinter
- 3♣ = solid 6♣, **INV**
- 3♦ = solid 6♦, **INV**
- 3♥ = solid 6♥, **INV**
- 3♠ = mixed raise
- 3NT = splinter ♥
- 4♣ = splinter ♣
- 4♦ = splinter ♦
- 4♥ = 11HCP, 4♠, no shortness

3 1NT opening

1NT opening = (14)15-17 BAL

1NT – ?

- 2♣ = Stayman
- 2♦ = forces 2♥
- 2♥ = forces 2♠
- 2♠ = inv or → ♣
- 2NT = → ♦
- 3♣ = Puppet Stayman
- 3♦ = 55♣♦
- 3♥ = 3-♠ 1-♥, 54♣♦
- 3♠ = 3-♥ 1-♠, 54♣♦
- 3NT = to play
- 4♣ = 55♥♠
- 4♦, 4♥ = Texas
- 4NT = Quantitative

1NT – 2♠
?

- 2NT = 14-15(16)
- 3♣ = (16)17

1NT – 2NT
?

- 3♣ = superaccept
- 3♦ = accept

1NT – 3♥
?

- 3♠ = NAT
- 3NT = to play
- 4♥ = exclusion, choose ♣♦
- 4NT = choose ♣♦

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1NT – 2♣
2♦ – ?

- 2♥ = 5♥ 4♠, to play
- 2♠ = 5♠ 4♥, to play
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥, GF
- 3♠ = 5♥ 4♠, GF

1NT – 2♦
2♥ – ?

- 2♠ = 5♥ 4♠, inv

1NT – 2♥
2♠ – ?

- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥, inv

1NT – 2♦
2♥ – 2♠
?

- PASS, 2NT, 3♥ = to play
- 3NT, 4♥, 4♠ = to play

1NT – 2♥
2♠ – 3♥
?

- PASS, 3♠ = to play
- 3NT, 4♥, 4♠ = to play

4 Overcalling 1NT

(1NT) – ?

- × = 5♣♦ + 4♥♠
- 2♣ = 54 ♥♠
- 2♦ = 6+ ♥♠
- 2♥ = 5♥ + 4♣♦
- 2♠ = 5♠ + 4♣♦

(1NT) – × – (P) – ?

- 2♣ = PASS/correct
- 2♦ = own suit
- 2♥ = PASS/correct
- 2♠ = own suit
- 2NT = show minor
- 3♦ = show major

(1NT) – 2♣ – (P) – ?

- 2♦ = show better major
- 2♥, 2♠ = preference

(1NT) – 2♦ – (P) – ?

- 2♥ = PASS/correct
- 2♠ = inv with ♥

5 Gadget 3♣

1♣ – 1♠
2NT – ?

- 3♣ = gadget
- 3♦ = 4+♦
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥
- 3♠ = fixing ♠

1♣ – 1♠
2NT – 3♣

- 3♦ = 4+♣
- 3♥ = 3♠ 4+♣
- 3♠ = 3♠
- 3NT = no 3♠, no 4♣
- 4♣/4♦/4♥ = 4♠ cue

1♣ – 1♥
2NT – ?

- 3♣ = gadget
- 3♦ = 4+♦
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥ OR fixing ♥
- 3♠ = 4♥ 4♠

1♣ – 1♥
2NT – 3♣

- 3♦ = 4+♣
- 3♥ = 3♥
- 3♠ = 3♥ 4♣
- 3NT = no 3♥, no 4♣
- 4♣/4♦/4♥ = 4♥ cue

1♦ – 1♠
2NT – ?

- 3♣ = gadget
- 3♦ = 3+♦
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥
- 3♠ = fixing ♠

1♦ – 1♠
2NT – 3♣

- 3♦ = 6♦, no 3♠
- 3♥ = 3♠ 6♦
- 3♠ = 3♠
- 3NT = no 3♠, no 6♦
- 4♣/4♦/4♥ = 4♠ cue

1♦ – 1♥
2NT – ?

- 3♣ = gadget
- 3♦ = 3+♦
- 3♥ = 5♠ 4♥ OR fixing ♥
- 3♠ = 4♥ 4♠

1♣ – 1♥
2NT – 3♣

- 3♦ = 6♦, no 3♥ 4
- 3♥ = 3♥
- 3♠ = 3♥ 6♦
- 3NT = no 3♥, no 6♦
- 4♣/4♦/4♥ = 4♥ cue

6 Majors after gadget

1♣♦ – 1♥
2NT – ?

- 3♥ = 5+♥ 4♠ OR fixing ♥
- 3♠ = 4♥ 4♠

1♣♦ – 1♥
2NT – 3♥
?

- 3♠ = 4♠
- 3NT = no 4♠, no 4♥
- 4♣/4♦ = 4♥, cue

1♣♦ – 1♥
2NT – 3♠
?

- 3NT = no 4♠, no 4♥
- 4♣ = fixing ♥
- 4♦ = fixing ♠

7 1NT – dealing with interference

1NT – (2♣) – ?

2♣ = ♣

- × = Stayman

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1NT – (2♣ [A]) – ?

2♣ = 5/4 ♥♠

- × = 8+
- 2♥, 2♠, 3♣ = to play
- 2NT = minors

1NT – (2♦) – ?

2♦ = ♦

- × = negative
- 2♥, 2♠ = to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- 3♣ = 5+♥, inv+
- 3♦ = 1-♦, inv+
- 3♥ = 5+♠, inv+
- 3♠ = 5+♣, inv+
- 3NT = no ♦ stopper
- 4♦, 4♥ = Texas

1NT – (2♦ [A]) – ?

2♦ = 6+ ♥♠

- × = 8+
- 2♥, 2♠ = to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- 3♣ = 5+♦, inv+
- 3♦ = 5+♥, inv+
- 3♥ = 5+♠, inv+
- 3♠ = 5/5 ♣♦
- 3NT = to play
- 4♦, 4♥ = Texas

1NT – (2♥) – ?

- × = negative
- 2♠ = to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- 3♣ = 5+♦, inv+
- 3♦ = 5+♠, inv+
- 3♥ = 1-♥, inv+
- 3♠ = 55 ♣♦, **GF**
- 3NT = no ♥ stopper
- 4♥ = Texas

1NT – (2♠) – ?

- × = negative
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- 3♣ = 5+♦, inv+
- 3♦ = 5+♥, inv+
- 3♥ = 55 ♣♦, **GF**
- 3♠ = 1-♠, inv+
- 3NT = no ♠ stopper
- 4♦ = Texas

1NT – (2NT [A]) – ?

2NT = minor

- × = 10+
- 3♣ = Stayman
- 3♦ = 5+♥, inv+
- 3♥ = 5+♠, inv+

1NT – (3♣) – ?

- × = negative
- 3♦ = 5+♥, inv+
- 3♥ = 5+♠, inv+
- 3♠ = 5+♦, inv+
- 3NT = to play

1NT – (3♦) – ?

- × = negative
- 3♥ = 5+♠, inv+
- 3♠ = 5+♥, **GF**
- 3NT = to play

1NT – (× [A]) – ?

× artificial
SYSTEM ON

1NT – (×) – ?

× = penalty

- PASS = forces ××
- ×× = forces 2♣
- 2**x** = forces **x+1**

1NT – (×) – P[A] – (P)
×× – (P) – ?

- PASS = penalty
- 2♣ = 4♣ + 4**x** or 4333 or any other edge case
- 2♦ = 4♦ + 4♥♠
- 2♥ = 4♥ + 4♠

8 2NT opening

2NT [A]opening = 21-22 BAL, may have 5**M**

2NT – ?

- 3♣ = Puppet Stayman
- 3♦ = forces 3♥, **GF**
- 3♥ = forces 3♠, **GF**
- 3♠ = forces 3NT
- 3NT = 5♠ 4♥
- 4♣ = 55 **M**
- 4♦, 4♥ = Texas
- 4NT = Quantitative

2NT – 3♦
?

- 3♥ = =2♥
- 3♠ = 4+♥, cue bid
- 3NT = =3♠
- 4♣, 4♦ = 4+♥, cue bid

2NT – 3♥
?

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

2NT – 3♠
3NT – ?

- 4♣ = 6+♣
- 4♦ = 6+♦
- 4♥ = 54♣♦ 1-♥
- 4♠ = 54♣♦ 1-♠

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OFF in competition

P – 1M
?

- 1NT = 8-11, no fit
- 2♣ = 4-fit mixed raise (7)8-10DP OR 3-fit (9)10-11DP
- 2**M** = 3-fit, 4-8DP
- 2**x** = (9)10, solid 5**x**
- 3♣ = (9)10, **INV**, 6♣
- 3**x** = 4-fit, solid 5**x**
- 2NT = 4-fit, solid 5♣
- 3**M** = 5-fit 4-6DP (or 4 with shortness)
- 3NT = Two Tiered Splinters 4+**M** (unspecified singleton, (10)11DP)
- 4♣/4♦/4♥ = void splinter

P – 1♥
2♣ – ?

- 2♥ = no interest in the game
- 2♦ = **INV**
- 2NT = 18-20 BAL
- 2♠/3♣/3♦ = 55(54) Slam Try
- 3♠/4♣/4♦ = splinter
- 4♥ = to play

P – 1♠
2♣ – ?

- 2♠ = no interest in the game
- 2♦ = **INV**
- 2NT = 18-20 BAL
- 3♣/3♦/3♥ = 55(54) Slam Try
- 4♣/4♦/4♥ = splinter
- 4♠ = to play

P – 1M
2♣ – 2M
?

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

P – 1M
2♣ – 2♦
?

- 2♥ over 2♠ = Last Train (says nothing about ♥)
- 2M = SIGN-OFF
- 2NT = 11, BAL
- 3M = 4-card support
- 4M = to play
- any other bid = NAT, **INV**

10 Non Serious 3NT

After agreeing on ♥ (♠), if **GF**, the no-jump 3♠ (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.

11 Reverses, jump shifts and jump reverses

1x – 1y – ?

- 2z, y < z = reverse
- 3y, y > z = jump shift
- 3z, y < z = jump reverse

1m – 1♥ – ?

- 1♠ = 4♠, 12-17
- 2♠ = 4♠, (18)19+

12 Acol 2♣

2♣ opening = 23+ HCP or 9.5 winning tricks

2♣ – ?

- 2♦ = positive 4+, **GF**
- 2♥ = negative 3-
- 2♠, 3♣, 3♦ = own suit 5+
- 2NT = own suit (♥) 5+

2♣ – 2♥
?

- PASS = good ♥
- 2♠ = 5+, **F1**
- 2NT = min BAL, **NF**

any other bid = **GF**

2♣ – 2♦
?

- 2NT = min BAL
- 2♥, 2♠, 3♣, 3♦ = 5+, UNBAL
- 3♥, 3♠, 4♣, 4♦ = suit fixed

2♣ – 2♦
2NT – ?

System as after 2NT opening

2♣ – 2♦
2♥ – ?

- 3♥ = fit
- 3♠ = no fit, relay

2♣ – 2♦
2♠ – ?

- 2NT = no fit, relay
- 3♠ = fit

2♣ – 2♦
2♥ – 2♠
?

- 2NT = 5♥ + 4♣
- 3♣ = 5♥ + 4♦
- 3♦ = 6+♥
- 3♥ = 5♥ + 4♠

2♣ – 2♦
2♠ – 2NT
?

- 3♣ = 5♠ + 4♦
- 3♦ = 5♠ + 4♥
- 3♥ = 6+♠
- 3♠ = 5♠ + 4♣

Acol interference
2♣ – (x) – ?

- × = negative
- PASS = positive

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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♠ = 6♥ 5♠ **GF**
- 2NT = 6♥ 5♣♦ **GF**
- 3♣ = 5♥ 5♣ **GF**
- 3♦ = 5♥ 5♦ **GF**
- 3♥ = fixes ♥ **GF**

1♠ – 1NT
?

- PASS = 5332 12-14
- 2♣ = 5♠ ♣ 11-15 OR 16+ HCP **F1**
- 2♦ = 5♠ 4♦ 11-15
- 2♥ = 5♠ 4♥ 11-15
- 2♠ = 11-15
- 2NT = 6♠ 5♣♦ **GF**
- 3♣ = 5♠ 5♣ **GF**
- 3♦ = 5♠ 5♦ **GF**
- 3♥ = 6♠ 5♥ **GF**
- 3♠ = fixes ♠ **GF**

1♥ – 1♠
2♣ – ?

- ♦ = 8+
- ♥ = 2♥ 5-7
- ♠ = good 5♠ 5-7
- 2NT = 1-♥ 5-7
- 3♣ = 6+♣ 5-7
- 3♦ = 6+♦ 5-7

1♥ – 1NT
2♣ – ?

- 2♦ = 8+
- 2♥ = 2-3♥ 5-7
- 2♠ = 55♣♦ 5-7
- 2NT = 1-♥ 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-♠ 5-7
- 3♣ = 6+♣ 5-7
- 3♦ = 6+♦ 5-7

1♥ – 1♠
2♣ – 2♦
?

- 2♥ = 5♥ 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**

1♥ – 1NT
2♣ – 2♦
?

- 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+

14 Mini Splinters

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

1♥ – ?

- 2♠ = mini splinter
- 2NT = inv + fit

1♠ – ?

- 2NT = mini splinter
- 3♥ = inv + fit

1♥ – 2♠
?

- 2NT = **ASK LSF**

1♠ – 2NT
?

- 3♣ = **ASK LSF**

1♥ – 2♠
2NT – ?

- 3♣ = ♣ shortness
- 3♦ = ♦ shortness
- 3♥ = ♠ shortness
- 3♠ = ♠ shortness **GF** (max)

1♠ – 2NT
3♣ – ?

- 3♦ = ♣ shortness
- 3♥ = ♦ shortness
- 3♠ = ♥ shortness
- 3NT = ♥ shortness **GF** (max)