# Bridge Bidding System

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# 1 1m opening

### **1**♣ - ?

- 1 > 0 6
- $1 \lor = 4 + \lor$
- 1♠ = 4+♠
- 1NT = 7-10, no 4M
- 2 = 12-14 BAL or , GF
- 2 = 5 + 4, **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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- $2 \rightarrow = BAL$
- 2♥ = 5♣ 4♥ BAL
- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \clubsuit 4 \spadesuit BAL$
- $2NT = 5 \clubsuit 4 \spadesuit BAL$
- 3♣ = ♣ BAL

### $1 \blacklozenge - 2 \blacklozenge$

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

bidding higher suit denies lower stopper

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• 2NT = ASK LSF

# 1 - 2

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

### **1**♦ - **2**♠

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- 2NT = BAL min
- 3 = 4 + min
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 + \blacklozenge \min$
- $3 \lor = 1 \lor, 5 + \lor GF$
- $3 \spadesuit = 1 \spadesuit$ ,  $5 + \spadesuit$  **GF**
- 3NT = to play

### Two way checkback

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

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

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

# 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 •
- $4 \clubsuit = \text{splinter} \clubsuit$
- $4 \rightleftharpoons 11$ HCP,  $4 \blacktriangledown$ , no shortness

#### **1**♠ − ?

- 1NT = 5-11HCP, (or 5-7HCP with  $\spadesuit$  fit)
- $2\clubsuit = \mathbf{GF}$ , usually no 5-card (or  $5+\clubsuit$ )
- $2 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacklozenge$ , **GF**
- $2 \mathbf{V} = 5 \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{GF}$
- 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
- $4 \clubsuit = \text{splinter} \clubsuit$
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{splinter} \blacklozenge$
- $4 \nabla = 11 \text{HCP}, 4 \spadesuit$ , no shortness

# 3 1nt opening

1 NT 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  $\Phi$
- $2NT = TRSF \text{ to } \bullet$
- 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♠

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

$$1NT - 2NT$$

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

# 1NT – 3♥

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

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$$1NT - 2$$

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

### 1NT - 2

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

### 1NT - 2

#### 1NT - 2

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

### 1NT - 2♥ 2♠ - 3♥

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

# 4 Overcalling 1nt

(1NT) - ?

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

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

- 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

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

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

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

$$2 > 6 +$$

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

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

- $\times$  = negative
- $2 \spadesuit = \text{to play}$
- 2NT = Lebensohl
- $3 \clubsuit = 5 + \blacklozenge$ ,  $\mathbf{INV}^+$
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 + \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$ ,  $INV^+$
- $3 = 1 V, INV^+$
- 3 = 55 , GF
- 3NT = no stopper
- 4 = Texas

### 1NT - (24) - ?

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

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

$$2nt = \clubsuit$$

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

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

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

1NT - (3) - ?

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} &1NT-(\textcolor{red}{\times})-P^{\textcolor{red}{A}}-(P)\\ &\times\times-(P)-? \end{aligned}$$

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

# 6 2nt opening

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

#### 2NT - ?

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

### $2NT - 3 \spadesuit$

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

### 2NT − 3♥

- 3**♠** = =2**♠**
- 3NT = =3
- $4\clubsuit$ ,  $4♦ = 4+\spadesuit$ , cue bid

2NT - 3♠ 3NT - ?

- 4♣ = 6+♣
- 4**♦** = 6+**♦**
- 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  $1 \spadesuit (3 \spadesuit$  over  $1 \heartsuit) =$  Two Tiered Splinters = 4+M, unspecified singleton, (10)11DP
- 4 / 4 / 4 = void splinter

# $\mathbf{P}-\mathbf{1}\blacktriangledown$

### **2♣** - ?

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

## P − 1♠

### **2**♣ – ?

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

$$P-1M$$

$$2 - 2M$$

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

# $\begin{array}{c} P-1M \\ 2 - 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$

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- $2 \checkmark$  over  $2 \spadesuit$  = Last Train (says nothing about  $\checkmark$ )
- $2\mathbf{M} = \text{Sign-off}$
- 2NT = 11, BAL
- 3M = 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

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

$$1 - 3 +$$

- 1 = NAT (5+)
- 2 = Michaels
- 2 = weak (6+)

$$(1^{\bullet})$$
 – ?

• 2 = Michaels

### 9 Non Serious 3<sub>NT</sub>

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**♦ - **2**♦

- 3 = 5-7, bad quality
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5-7$ , good  $\blacklozenge$  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 Acol 2.

 $2\clubsuit$  opening = 23+ HCP or 9.5 winning tricks

#### **2**♣ - ?

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

# 2 - 2

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- 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

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

### 2 - 2

### **2**♠ − ?

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

$$2 - 2$$

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- 2NT = 5 + 4
- 3 5 + 4
- 3**♦** = 6+**♥**
- $3 \lor = 5 \lor + 4 \spadesuit$

$$2 - 2$$

$$2 - 2NT$$

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

#### Acol interference

$$2 - (x) - ?$$

- $\times$  = negative
- PASS = positive

# 13 Dealing with preempts

### **(2♥)** − ?

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

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

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

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

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

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

•  $\times = \text{no } 44, 10+$ 

$$(2•) - ?$$

- $3 \triangleq$  = 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 4 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

- $2 \spadesuit = 5 + \heartsuit$ , INV<sup>+</sup>, ASK LSF
- $2NT = 4 \checkmark$ , INV
- 3♣ = 4♥+ 4♣, **INV**
- 3♦ = 4♥, **GF**

- 2NT = 44, INV
- 3♣ = 4♠+ 4♠, **INV**
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 5 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}$ , INV<sup>+</sup>, ASK LSF
- 3 = 4, **GF**

## 15 Ask LSF

All basic ASK LSF sequences:

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

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 = 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
- $2 \spadesuit = 6 \heartsuit 5 \spadesuit \mathbf{GF}$
- $2NT = 6 \checkmark 5 \Leftrightarrow GF$
- 3♣ = 5♥ 5♣ **GF**

- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 \blacktriangledown 5 \blacklozenge \mathbf{GF}$
- $3 \checkmark = agreeing \checkmark GF$

### $1 \!\!\!\! \ \, -1 \!\!\!\!\! \ \, NT$

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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
- $2NT = 6 \stackrel{\bullet}{•} 5 \stackrel{\bullet}{•} GF$
- $3 \clubsuit = 5 \spadesuit 5 \clubsuit GF$
- $3 \blacklozenge = 5 \spadesuit 5 \spadesuit GF$
- 3♥ = 6♠ 5♥ **GF**
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{agreeing} \spadesuit \mathbf{GF}$

### 1♥ - 1♠

**2**♣ - ?

- **♦** = 8+
- $\mathbf{V} = 2\mathbf{V} 5-7$
- $\spadesuit = \text{good } 5 \spadesuit 5-7$
- 2NT = 1 7
- 3♣ = 6+♣ 5-7
- 3 > 6 + 5 = 7

#### 1V- 1NT

### **2♣** – ?

- 2 > 8 +
- 2♥ = 2-3♥ 5-7
- 2 = 55 5 7
- 2NT = 1 7
- 3 = 6 + 5 = 5 = 7
- $3 \blacklozenge = 6 + \blacklozenge 5 7$

#### 1 - 1NT

#### 2 - ?

- 2 > 8 +
- 2 = 5 = 5 = 7
- 2♠ = 2-3♠ 5-7
- 2NT = 1 45 7
- 3♣ = 6+♣ 5-7
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = 6 + \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} 5 7$

### 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**

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

?

• 
$$2 = 5 4 11-15$$

• 
$$2NT = 5332 18-20$$

• 
$$3 > = 5$$
  $4 > 16 +$ 

$$1 - 1NT$$

$$2 - 2$$

• 
$$2NT = 5332 18-20$$

• 
$$3 > = 5 \implies 4 > 16 +$$

# 17 Mini Splinters

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

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

### **1**♠ − ?

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

### 1 $\checkmark$ -2

?

• 2NT = ASK LSF

### 1 - 2NT

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•  $3 \clubsuit = \mathbf{ASK} \ \mathbf{LSF}$ 

#### 1♥ - 2♠

2NT - ?

- $3 \clubsuit = \clubsuit$  shortness
- $3 \blacklozenge = \blacklozenge$  shortness
- $3 \checkmark = 4$  shortness

## 1 - 2NT

3♣ - ?

- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \Phi$  shortness
- $3 \checkmark =$  shortness
- $3 \spadesuit =$  shortness
- 3NT = shortness **GF** (max)

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

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \text{)}$
- $1 \spadesuit = \text{NAT}, 4 + \spadesuit, \mathbf{F1}$
- 1NT = TRSF to 2
- 2 = TRSF to 2
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } 2 \blacktriangledown$ , constructive 8-10
- 2♥ = 4-7, 3♥
- $2 \spadesuit = \spadesuit$ ,  $(3)4 \checkmark INV^+$
- $2NT = 4 + \bigvee INV^+$
- 3 4 = •,  $(3)4 \vee INV^+$
- $3 > 4 + \checkmark, 6-9$
- $3 \lor = 4 + \lor, 0 5$
- $3 = 4 + \forall$ , ASK LSF
- $3NT = semi-preempt, \spadesuit, 4+ \heartsuit$
- $4\clubsuit = \text{semi-preempt}, \clubsuit, 4+ \heartsuit$
- $4 \blacklozenge = \text{semi-preempt}, \blacklozenge, 4 + \blacktriangledown$
- 4 = preempt

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

- $\times \times = 10 + \text{(may have } 3 \spadesuit \text{)}$
- $1NT = TRSF \text{ to } 2 \clubsuit$
- 2 = TRSF to 2
- $2 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } 2 \blacktriangledown$
- 2 = TRSF to 2 , constructive 8-10

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- $2 \spadesuit = 4-7, 3 \spadesuit$
- $2NT = 4 \spadesuit INV^+$
- 3 = 4, (3)4**INV**<sup>+</sup>
- $3 = •, (3)4 INV^+$
- 3 = 4 + 4, 6-9
- $3 \spadesuit = 4 + \spadesuit$ , 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 = preempt

# 19 2nt overcall after major preempt

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(2M) - ?

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

(2 ) - 2NT - (P) - ?

- $3\clubsuit$  = forces  $3\diamondsuit$ , 1- $\heartsuit$  **GF** OR 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
- $4 \\ightharpoonup = 6 \\ightharpoonup 5 \\ightharpoonup , may have shortness$
- 4♥ = 6+♠

- $4 \spadesuit = \text{minors}$
- 4NT = quantitative

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

- PASS = weak with ◆
- 3♥ = 3-**♠**
- 3♠ = 4♠
- 3NT = 5
- 4♣ = 6+♠

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

- (P) ?
  - $3 \spadesuit =$ last train for a 3NT game
  - 3NT = good vstopper

$$(2 \red) - 2 \mathrm{NT} - (\mathrm{P}) - 3 \red$$

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

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

- 3NT = weak own suit
- $4\clubsuit$ , 4♦ = own suit
- $4 \nabla = 4 \cdot 4$  agreeing 4, 4NT agreeing •
- 4♠ = 3♠

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$(2•) - 2NT - (P) - ?$$

- $3\clubsuit$  = forces  $3\diamondsuit$ , 1- $\bigstar$  **GF** OR weak with  $\diamondsuit$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{forces } 3 \blacktriangledown, 5 + \blacktriangledown, \text{ weak or } \mathbf{GF}$
- $3 \checkmark = \log \min(\text{minor/minors}, \text{ no } \blacktriangle \text{ shortness}, 3 \blacktriangle = \text{ASK}$
- 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 +
- $4 \spadesuit = \text{minors}$
- 4NT = quantitative

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

- PASS = weak with ◆
- 3♥ = 3-♥
- 3♠ = 4♥
- 3NT = 5
- 4♣ = 6+**♥**

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

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

- (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♦ = own suit
- 4**♥** = 3**♥**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 4♣ = 4♥
- 3NT = to play

$$(2\clubsuit) - 2NT - (P) - 4\spadesuit$$

$$(P) - 4 - (P) - ?$$

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

# 20 Overcalling 2NT

(2NT) - ?

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

# 21 Dealing with Multi/Wilkosz

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

•  $\times = (13)14-16$  BAL, no 5M, may have minor singleton

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- 2 = 11-15, 5+
- 2♠ = 11-15, 5+♠
- 2NT = 17-19, BAL
- $3 \clubsuit = \$$ , not 5332/5422
- 3 = •, not 5332/5422
- $3 \checkmark$ ,  $3 \spadesuit$  = solid suit, weaker then power double
- 3NT = **♣**
- 4♣ = ♣+♥
- 4♦ = ♦+₩

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

System like after 2♦ preempt.

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

- PASS = no suitable call OR takeout with ♠ shortness
- $\times = 14\text{-}16 \text{ BAL}$
- $2 \spadesuit = 11-15$ ,  $5+\spadesuit$ , 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  $\bullet$  shortness

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• 2NT = 17-19, BAL

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

•  $\times$  = takeout

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

• 2NT = **♣** 

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

- PASS = want to defend, doubles are penalty
- $2^{1} = 5 + 1$ , to play
- 2NT = Lebensohl (see below)
- $3\Phi = \text{Stayman}$
- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } \blacktriangledown$ , **GF**+ superaccepts
- 3 = TRSF to , GF + superaccepts
- $3 \spadesuit = \text{TRSF to NT}$ , no  $\mbox{$\stackrel{\bullet}{N}$}$  stoppers
- $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

$$(2 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}) - \times - (\times \times / \text{PASS}) - 2 \text{NT}$$
  
 $(P) - 3 \stackrel{\clubsuit}{\bullet} - (P) - ?$ 

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

$$(2 
ightharpoonup) - \times - (lapsilon/2) - ?$$

•  $\times = 9+$ , **F** to 2NT, no 5, no shortness

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• 2NT = Lebensohl (see below)

• 
$$3 = \text{Stayman}$$

- $3 \blacklozenge = \text{TRSF to } \blacktriangledown$ , **GF**+ superaccepts
- 3 = TRSF to , GF + superaccepts
- 3 = takeout with opps' suit shortness, GF
- $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $4 \blacktriangledown = \text{Texas}$

$$(2 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}) - \times - (2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\blacktriangledown} / \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{•}) - 2NT$$
  
 $(P) - 3 \stackrel{\clubsuit}{•} - (P) - ?$ 

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

$$(2^{\blacklozenge}) - \times - (2^{\blacktriangledown}/{\clubsuit}) - \times (P) - ?$$

- PASS = to play
- 2 = 4, **F**1
- 2NT = NAT, minimum
- $3 \clubsuit = NAT$ , minimum
- $3 \Rightarrow$  = 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♠

$$(2 
ightharpoonup) - imes - (2 
ightharpoonup) - imes (2 
ightharpoonup) - ?$$

- Pass  $= \mathbf{F1}$
- $\times$  = penalty
- 2NT = do not want to defend, GF
- 3 = NAT, GF
- $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = NAT, GF$
- $3 \checkmark = NAT, GF$
- 3♠ = maximum, no ♠ stopper
- 3NT = maximum, stopper

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

•  $3 \spadesuit = \spadesuit$  shortness, **GF** 

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

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

# 22 Other

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{1} - (\mathbf{1} ) - \mathbf{P} - (\mathbf{2} ) \\ \mathbf{?} \end{array}$$

- $\times = 4$ , choose
- $2NT = \Phi$ , choose
- $3 \clubsuit = \text{to play}$

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

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

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

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

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