# 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Count Asking Bids L Signal on partner's lead: Responses to strong 2 suit open. see 8: Responses to opening bids Jump shifts after Major opening Jump raises - Majors see 8: Responses to opening bids 4NT: Blackwood Signal on declarer's lead: Reverse Smith (R ATT to our opening lead) unless obvious holdur **Discards Leads** Sequences: Responses to 2NT opening Jump shifts after minor opening Jump raises - minors see 8: Responses to opening bids Drury Notes Switches generally ATT PDF Form Rev. 22D13 by RoL 5NT pick a slam, Quant, v rarely GSF. Interference over KCB P=1st step, X=2nd etc. Leaping and non-leaping Michaels Smolen If too high (5♥ over M: 4♠ over ♠; 4NT over ♦) Pass even X odd or just bid slam Four or more with an honour In partner's suit From 3 cards (no honour) From 4 small 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4. Genber KCB sometimes Show priorities www.nzbridge.co.nz Copyright © ABF 2022 Cue Bids X 1st or 2nd L RKCB 3rd 1. R Att 2. R Count. 3 Std S/P 3rd Reverse Same, but top xxx if we raised Top = ATT if underlead Count 1. R Att 2. R Count. 3 Std S/P see 8: Responses to opening bids see 8: Responses to opening bids Versus Suit see 8: Responses to opening bids 1430 (or both) Can be Bidenwood (Quant) ATT ATT AQT asks UB/count KJ = ATT 1/3/5 but top xxx if we raised Versus **NoTrump** (if different)



## **New Zealand Bridge**



2 single suit	Opponent's 1NT	Opponent's transfers	Over: Weak Twos Leaping Micheals	Immediate cue: (mi	1NT overcall: (immediate)	Jump overcalls W	If we have res	Doubles T/O, I	3. COMPE	GREEN - Mini Precision	RED - Modified Standard	2. PRE-ALERTS SYSTEM VARIES with our vulnerability	other	2NT 0-7 5+/5+ minors destructive	2♠ 10-13 6+♦ single suited 10-13	2♥ 10-13 6+4	2 8-13 (17 3	2 8-13 (17 3	(Dbl) Depend	2♥ Transfer ◆	2. Transfer	1NT Responses	INT 8-11 1st	1♦ 8-14(17) N	1 <b>4</b> 14+(15+ E	1. OPEN	Basic System:	& Names:	NZB Nos.
ed overcall (1	X= (4)5+ mir	ers $X = that s$	Leaping Mi	nor) Both Ma	diate) 15-18	Weak	sted in some	ead directing,	TITIVE BID	i Precision	ed Standard	RIES with our		minors dest	single suited	10-13 6+♣ single suited	8-13 (17 3rd/4th) 5++ and 4++ 8-13	8-13 (17 3rd/4th) 5+♣ and 4+♦ 8-13	s on X meanii	¥ <b>&gt;</b>	)r 🗣	2. Stayman	'2nd; 8-17 3rc	√0+m or 3 suit	14+(15+ Bal) 3rd/4th 17+(18+Bal)	Classi IING BID	NOT VUL -	58972	56093
2♦ single suited overcall (13)14+ can be strong BAL	Opponent's 1NT X= (4)5+ minor and 4+ Major 11+; 2♣ 4+/4+ majors	X = that suit, cue = $T/O$		Immediate cue: (minor) Both Majors constructive			If we have rested in some contract then X = PEN	Doubles T/O, lead directing, rarely PEN, support X and XX	3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS			vulnerability		ructive	10-13	<u>O</u> .	ınd 4+ <b>4</b> 8-13	and 4++ 8-13	(Dbl) Depends on X meaning and our range			<b>D</b>	8-11 1st/2nd; 8-17 3rd Fav; 12-17 3rd NIL; 13-17 4th	8-14(17) M+m or 3 suit, 12-14 Bal 1/2nd	7+(18+Bal)	n Sticker Classification: Green Blue X Red Decribe Strength, min.length, or specific meaning	NOT VUL - Mini Precision	Graeme Tuffnell	lan Berrington
ong E	11+;		Opening			_	: PEN	port )	STT	H	ź	Do		3N1					other	2NT	2		NIL; 1	± = ± = ± = ± = ± = ± = ± = ± = ± = ± =	₹	ngth, r	]		
3AL	2♣ 4+/4+ r		Threes Nor	(Major) O	(re-opening)	Jnusual NT		X and XX		P is guide	T opening	uble of 1N		3NT Gambling					7				3-17 4th	8-13 (up to	8-14 (up to	Blue X	]		
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	0)		Opening Threes Non leaping Michaels	(Major) OM + minor constructive	QI	Unusual NT 2 lowest unbid, constructive	Responsive DBL thru	Negative DBL thru		HCP is guide can upgrade/downgrade	1NT opening can be off shape	Double of 1NT opening Minor+Major 11+								5/4 minors weak or GF (then frag)	R/F or 6+♣ or ♦ weak or GF		may contain 5 card Major	1♠ 8-13 (up to 17 3rd/4th) 5+♠	1♥ 8-14 (up to 17 3rd/4th) 5+♥		]		
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2♥♠ and 3♣♦ Natural approx 8-12HCP

# RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

				4 <b>♦</b> TXII	other
PRE	4	3♥ NAT F	(1)		2NT
To play	3NT	3♦ PRE	6.3	ART GF	2
NAT F	<b>ω</b>	3♣ To play		Puppet 2♠ (cont. inv)	2♦ 2♥
					other
To play	3NT	3◆ PRE	6.3	ART GF	2
NATF	3 <b>≯</b>	3PRE		Puppet 2♠ (cont. inv)	2
NAT F	3	2NT ENQ	<b>D</b> 2	To play	2 2 2
TKCB	en 4N	2♠ 2♦ 2♥ 4/4 NF; TRF then 4NT Quant; TEXAS then 4NT KCB	₩ ₩		other
To play	4	4♣ Texas, likely Slam try	7	PRE	<b>3</b> €
To play	4	3NT To play	(1)	Anti-Lemming	<b>3</b>
Texas, likely Slam try	4	3♠ PRE	(1)	INV	1NT 3♣
				other 4♦ SPL 4♥ to play	other
SPL	4	3◆ Limit raise	(1)	11+ NAT F	2
♥ SPL	3NT	3♣ Jacoby GF raise	(1)	11+ NAT F	2
PRE	ω <b>≯</b>	2NT Mini SPL, any suit	<b>D</b> 2	11+ NAT F	2
Mixed raise	3	2♠ 8-12 3♠		6-11 semiF, maybe 3♠	1 1 1 1 1
				4♣ SPL 4♠ to play	other
♦ SPL	3NT	3. Limit raise	(1)	11+ NAT F	2
SPL	<b>3</b>	2NT Jacoby GF raise	<b>D</b> 2	11+ NAT F	2
PRE	3	2♠ Mini SPL, any suit		6-11 semiF, maybe 3	ÍNT.
Mixed raise	ω •	2♥ 8-123♥	<b>D</b> 2	6+4+	
					other
PRE	4	3◆ 10-13 6+◆	(1)	12+ 4++	2
PRE	4	3♣ 10-13 6+♣	(.)	12+ 4+	2
To play	3NT	2NT Minors, PRE	<b>D</b> 2	6-11	1NT
PRE	ω <b>≯</b>	2♠ WJS	<b>D</b> 2	4+ 4+♠	<b>→</b>
PRE	ω <b>≪</b>	2♥ WJS	D2	4+ 4+♥	1 +
					other
	4	3 <b>♣</b> 10+ 4441	(1)	10+5+*	2
	3NT	2NT 16+ BAL	<b>D</b> 2	10-15 BAL	1NT
1 loser suit opp void	ω <b>≯</b>	2♠ 10+ 1444	<b>D</b> 2	10+ 5+♠	<b>→</b>
1 loser suit opp void	ω <b>≪</b>	2♥ 10+ 4144	<b>D</b> 2	10+5+♥	<u></u>
10+ 4414	ω •	2 10+5++	<b>D</b> 2	0-9	<b>→</b>

2♥ 2♠	2♥ 2★ NAT F(one round)	<b>ω</b>	3♠ NAT F(one round)	3KT	3NT To play
2NT	ENQ	<b>ω</b>	NAT F(one round)	<b>*</b>	PRE
3	3♣ To play	<b>3</b>	3▶ PRE	<b>\$</b>	4♥ To play
other	other 4♦ = KCB (other minor)				
2♠ 2NT ENQ	ENQ	3	3♥ NAT F(one round)	<b>4</b>	4♣ KCB (other minor)
3 <b>.</b>	NAT F(one round)	<b>ω</b> <b>▶</b>	3♠ NAT F(one round)	<b>4</b>	To play
3 •	3◆ To play	3NT	3NT To play	♣	4♠ To play
other					
2NT 3	2NT 3♣ To Play	<b>3</b>	3♠ To Play	4	4♦ To Play
3	3◆ To Play	3NT	3NT To Play	<b>4</b>	4♥ To Play
3	3♥ To Play	4	4♣ To Play	<b>4</b>	4♠ To Play
other	other Opener is pretty much expected to pass throughout after opening	xpe	cted to pass throughout	after	opening

#### 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: Constructive 2 lowest unbid suits

4th Suit Forcing One round Game force X

NT Checkback X Priorities: XYZ 2♣ = Puppet 2♦ then Cont = INV. 2♦ = ART GF **Defence to 3NT opening** X T/O 4♣ Majors = or longer ♥, 4♦ = Majors or longer ♠

Defence to Opening Twos X T/O; leaping Michaels

X = T/O of ♠ or 17+; 2♥ T/O of ♥; others NAT

RCO style 2-s X may be 12-14 Bal

Other 2-s X may be 12-14 Bal

**Defence** (1♣) : X = Minor+Major; 1♦ = Majors; 1NT = minors

strong (2♣) :X = Minor+Major; 2♦ = Majors; 2NT = minors

Over 1NT Interference X = T/O; Lebensohl (slow shows direct denies stop)

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4.4/4 X = T/O; 4NT 2 suits

**4** ■ X = T/O; 4NT 2 suits

4♠ X = T/O; 4NT 2 suits

### 10. OTHER NOTES

New suit by responder F

New suit by opener F after 2/1

Notes

Auctions that start below 1NT a non-jump 2NT is 2 places to play after T/O X