#### **WE OPEN 1NT; THEY INTERFERE**

#### **DOUBLE**

## 1NT (DBL=PENALTY) ???

## (OPTION A)

Forces RDBL [One-suiter or 4441C or (4)333 or 8+]
D+C or D+S
C+H
D+H
S+H
S+C
FG, shapely two-suiter
PRE
NAT, long suit
Gerber
Texas

Pass, then DBL=TO [unless leave in forced RDBL: then all DBLs=PEN but no FP]. Pass, then 2NT=LEB, once aggressor shows a real suit Pass, then 2NT=minors, once aggressor shows H+S

[OR your own favourite ESCAPE system as if DBL=PENALTY]

Both minors, very weak and long

## (OPTION B)

4S

Pass	Content (We can't play 1NT redoubled!); delayed DBL=T/O
RDBL	Puppet to 2C (to play 2C or 2D)
2C	STAY
2D	H
2H	S
2S	Minor suit STAY
2NT	INV to game with one minor. Then, Opener uses "reject" approach: 3C=prefers D, or no preference; 3D=prefers C; 3NT=likes both minors
3x	PRE
4C	PRE
4R	Texas
4S	C+D, weak and very long

1N7	「 (DBL=ANY ONE-SUITER)	???
1N7	Γ (DBL=C or H or S, or H+S)	???
1N7	Γ (DBL=C or D, or H+S)	???
1N7	Γ (DBL=H or S, or C+D)	???
1N7	Γ (DBL=H+S, or C+D)	???
1N7	Γ (DBL=5D+4M, or H+S	???
1N7	Γ (DBL=M+m, UNKNOWN)	???
1N7	(DBL=PUP2C: MANY TYPES)	???
	[includes DBL by PH: P-P-P-1NT;	DBL]

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

RDBL Good Hand, F2NT, starts all PEN

Pass, then DBL T/O
Pass, then 2NT NAT
Pass, then 3m COMP

Even when DBL=known M, we're still low enough to use SYSTEM ON

#### (OPTION B)

Pass Neutral, could be pure PENALTY DOUBLE (DBL later)

RDBL Cards, looking for cooperation (DISCUSS F/P)

2C Stayman 2D/2M NAT

2NT D+C; or FG two-suiter

3x PRE

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

## (OPTION C)

Pass Neutral, could be pure PENALTY DOUBLE (DBL later)

RDBL Cards, looking for cooperation (DISCUSS F/P)

2C Stayman

2R Transfers to 2H/2S

2S D+C 2NT C 3C D

3D 5+H/5+S, INV+ (can pass opener's 3M)

3H SPL, 31(54) or 31(63) or 21(64) 3S SPL, 13(54) or 13(63) or 12(64)

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

## (OPTION D)

Pass Forces RDBL [1-suiter or 4441C or (4)333 or 8+]

RDBL D+C or D+S

2C C+H 2D D+H 2H S+H 2S S+C

2NT FG, shapely two-suiter

3x PRE

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

Pass, then DBL=TO [unless leave in forced RDBL: then all DBLs=PEN but no FP].

Pass, then 2NT=LEB, once aggressor shows a real suit

Pass, then 2NT=minors, once aggressor shows H+S

[OR your own favourite ESCAPE system as if DBL=PENALTY]

#### 1NT (DBL=H+m) ???

#### (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral, could be pure PENALTY DOUBLE (DBL later)

RDBL Cards, looking for cooperation (DISCUSS F/P)

2C Stayman [adjust, perhaps, if DBL=5+H] 2D/2M NAT [adjust, perhaps, if DBL=5+H]

2NT D+C; or FG two-suiter

3x PRE

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

#### (OPTION B)

Pass Neutral, could be pure PENALTY DOUBLE (DBL later)

RDBL Cards, looking for cooperation (DISCUSS F/P)

2C Stayman [adjust, perhaps, if DBL=5+H]

2R Transfers to 2H/2S [adjust, perhaps, if DBL=5+H]

2S D+C 2NT C 3C D

3D 6+D/4C, semi-PRE

3H SPL, 31(54) or 31(63) or 21(64) 3S SPL, 13(54) or 13(63) or 12(64)

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

## (OPTION C)

Pass Forces RDBL [C or D or PEN PASS type]

 RDBL
 D+C

 2C
 C+S

 2D
 D+S

 2M
 NAT

2NT FG, shapely two-suiter

3x PRE

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

Pass, then DBL=TO [unless leave in forced RDBL: then all DBLs=PEN but no FP].

Pass, then 2NT=LEB, once aggressor shows a real suit

Pass, then 2NT=minors, once aggressor shows H+S

[OR your own favourite ESCAPE system, as if DBL=PENALTY

#### 1NT (DBL=H+S) ???

#### (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral, could be pure PENALTY DOUBLE (DBL later)

RDBL Cards, looking for cooperation (DISCUSS F/P)

2C Stayman [adjust if DBL=5+/5+]
2D/2M NAT [adjust if DBL=5+/5+]
2NT D+C; or some FG two-suiter

3x PRE [but if DBL=5+/5+ use 3M as SPL with (5/4+) minors]

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

#### (OPTION B)

Pass Neutral, could be pure PENALTY DOUBLE (DBL later)

RDBL Cards, looking for cooperation (DISCUSS F/P)

2C Stayman

2R Transfers to 2H/2S [adjust, perhaps, if DBL=5+/5+]

2S D+C 2NT C 3C D

3D 6+D/4C, semi-PRE

3H SPL, 31(54) or 31(63) or 21(64) 3S SPL, 13(54) or 13(63) or 12(64)

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

## (OPTION C)

Pass Forces RDBL [C or D or PEN PASS type]

RDBL D+C

2C C+ secondary M 2D D+ secondary M

2M NAT

2NT FG, shapely two-suiter

3x PRE

3NT NAT, long suit

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Both minors, very weak and long

Pass, then DBL=TO [unless leave in forced RDBL: then all DBLs=PEN but no FP].

Pass, then 2NT=LEB, once aggressor shows a real suit

Pass, then 2NT=minors, once aggressor shows H+S

[OR your own favourite ESCAPE system, as if DBL=PENALTY]

#### **REOPENING DOUBLE**

#### [1NT (Pass) Pass (DBL); Pass (Pass) ???]

#### Where DBL=HCP or CONVENTIONAL and Pass=PENALTY

RDBL Business (later DBL=PEN by both partners but no F/P)

2m NAT

2M NAT (but unlikely to be 5 cards in context, so 4333 or 4432)

2NT Minors (tactical, in context)

Higher No agreement

[1NT (Pass) Pass (DBL); Pass (BID) ???]

DBL=(4/3+ H+S 9-12, or 19+)

DBL=(10-13 or 18+ HCP)

**DBL=(11+ 4M+ANY)** 

**DBL=(10+ ANY TWO SUITER)** 

DBL=(M+m at least [4/5])

DBL=(H+S)

DBL=(5+H)

DBL=(C or D)

#### Where "BID"=Preference or "Pass or Correct"

Pass NF (Opener's DBL=T/O)

DBL Cooperative T/O (NB that responder passed 1NT, i.e. usually guasi-BAL)

2D NAT, could be 5/6 cards

2M NAT, likely 4-card suit with a second suit probable

2NT NAT (over 2m); C+D (over 2M)

3m (Non-Jump) NAT

Cue-bid Three-suiter short in their suit, no real game interest

#### TWO CLUBS

1NT (2C=NAT) ???

## (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral; later DBL of C=PENALTY; other DBLs=T/O; later 2NT=NAT

DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2D/2M COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL

3C D, INV 3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S 4450, FG

3NT NAT-no C stopper

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S BAL slam invite with 6D, no C stopper

#### (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

DBL Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if resp's DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O
Pass, then 2NT NAT
Pass, then 3m COMP

## 1NT (2C=D) ???

## (OPTION A)

Neutral; later DBL=T/O; later 2NT=NAT COMP Pass DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL of D=Cooperative PENALTY) Weak takeout short in D 2D 2M **COMP** 2NT C, INV+ 3C C, COMP 3D H, INV+ S, INV+ 3H 3S 4405, FG NAT-no stopper information 3NT Gerber

4C 4R **Texas** 

BAL slam invite with 6C, no D stopper 4S

## (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

**DBL** Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if resp's DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O Pass, then 2NT NAT Pass, then 3C **COMP** 

## 1NT (2C=H or H+m) ???

## (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral; later DBL=T/O; later 2NT=NAT COMP

DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL of H=Cooperative PENALTY)

2H Weak takeout short in D

2D/2S COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL

3C D, INV+ 3D C, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S 40(45), FG

3NT NAT-no stopper information

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Minors, weak and very long

#### (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

DBL Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if resp's DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O Pass, then 2NT NAT Pass, then 3m COMP 1NT (2C=D or H or S) ??? 1NT (2C=C or D or H or S) ???

## (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral; later DBL=T/O; later 2NT=NAT over 2D but C+D over 2M

DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2D/2M COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL

3C D, INV 3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S 4450, FG

3NT NAT-no stopper information

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S BAL slam invite with 6D, no C stopper

#### (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

DBL Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if resp's DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O Pass, then 2NT NAT Pass, then 3m COMP **1NT (2C=C+H: "BROZEL")** ??? [Two known suits]

Pass NEU, Delayed DBL=PEN, Delayed 2NT=NAT/COMP

DBL PENALTY (sets up force through 2NT)

2D COMP

2H STAYMAN, [can be "light T/O", i.e. S+D]

2S COMP 2NT NAT, INV

3C D, INV +(then 3H/3S/3NT as in traditional sequences) 3D 4S/5+D FG (3H asks SPL: 3S=SPL C/3NT=SPL H)

3H S, INV+ 3S 5/5+ S/D, FG

3NT NAT, H stopper, usually not 4S

4C Gerber 4R Texas

**1NT** (2C=S+H: "LANDY") ??? [Two known suits] **1NT** (2C=S+H, better C: "RIPSTRA") ??? [Two known suits]

Pass Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY DBL Cards, invites cooperation

2D COMP 2H COMP, C+D

2S INV+, C+D (stoppers next)

2NT LEBENSOHL (then M=that M stopper, 3NT=both)

3m NAT, FG 3M SPL, C+D

3NT NAT, no S/H stoppers

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

1NT	(2C=5+C/4+M: "WOOLSEY" VARIANT)	???	[One known suit BID]
1NT	(2C=3+C/5+M: "DEAS" VARIANT)	???	[One known suit BID]
1NT	(2C=4+C/4+Any: "DONT")	???	[One known suit BID]
1NT	(2C=PUP2D: C+M or C+D)	???	One known suit BID

Pass Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY

DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2D/2M COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL

3C D, INV 3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S D, FG

3NT NAT-no C stopper

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S BAL slam invite with 6D, no C stopper

## (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

DBL Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if resp's DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O
Pass, then 2NT NAT
Pass, then 3m COMP

1NT (2C=H+ANY: "ASTRO" VARIANT) ??? [One suit known, not BID]
1NT (2C=H+C or H+D: "ASTRO VARIANT") ??? [One suit known, not BID]

#### (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY
DBL NEG DBL type, invites cooperation

2D COMP

2H Stayman (could be light takeout); if FG next, shows H stopper

2S COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL-SLOW (re H)

3m/3S NAT, FG 3H C+D, FG

3NT NAT, no H stopper, not 4S

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

#### (OPTION B)

Pass NEU, Delayed DBL=PEN

DBL NEG DBL of H (STAY), then CUE=no H guard

2D COMP

2H STAYMAN; (could be "light T/O of H")

2S COMP

2NT LEB around H at least INV C;

then, over 3C: 3D=D+C/FG,

3H=C+4S/no STOPPER; 3S=long C+1/2 STOPPER; 3NT=C+4S/STOPPER

3C D, INV +(then 3H/3S/3NT as above)

3D S, INV +

3H SPL, three-suiter, FG

3S C one-suiter/STOPPER/slam not impossible

3NT NAT, H stopper, usually not 4S

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

**1NT** (2C=S+C or S+H) ??? [One suit known, not BID] **1NT** (2C=S+C or S+D) ??? [One suit known, not BID]

#### (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY
DBL NEG DBL type, invites cooperation

2D/2H COMP

2S Stayman (could be light takeout); if FG next, shows S stopper

2NT LEBENSOHL-SLOW (re S)

3m/3H NAT, FG 3S C+D, FG

3NT NAT, no S stopper, not 4H

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

#### (OPTION B)

Pass NEU, Delayed DBL=PEN

DBL NEG DBL of S (STAY), then CUE=no S guard

2D/2H COMP

2S STAYMAN; (could be "light T/O of S")

2S COMP

2NT LEB around S at least INV C;

then, over 3C: 3D=D+C/FG,

3S=C+4H/no STOPPER; 3H=long C+1/2 STOPPER; 3NT=C+4H/STOPPER

3C D, INV +(then 3H/3S/3NT as above)

3D H, INV +

3H C one-suiter/STOPPER/slam not impossible

3S SPL, three-suiter, FG

3NT NAT, S stopper, usually not 4H

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

## [Two suits, both unknown]

## 1NT (2C=MAJOR+MINOR)

## (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral; later DBLs=T/O; later 2NT=NAT

DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

???

2D/2M COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL 3C D, INV+ 3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S C, INV+

3NT NAT, no stopper reference

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C weak and very long

## (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

DBL Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if resp's DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O Pass, then 2NT NAT Pass, then 3m COMP 1NT (2C=C or D, or M+m)1NT (2C=D, or H+M: "SUCTION")??? [One or two suits, nothing known]

## (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral; later DBLs=T/O; later 2NT=NAT

DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2D/2M COMP

2NT LEBENSOHL

3C D, INV+ 3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S C, INV+

3NT NAT, no stopper reference

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C weak and very long

## (OPTION B)

SYSTEM ON (adjustments for the following agreements)

DBL Stayman (subsequent DBLs as if DBL=2C)

Pass, then DBL T/O Pass, then 2NT NAT Pass, then 3m COMP

#### **TWO DIAMONDS**

## 1NT (2D=NAT) ???

## (OPTION A)

Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY Pass NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) DBL 2M COMP LEBENSOHL 2NT 3C C, INV 3D H, INV+ 3Н S, INV+ C, FG 3S NAT-no D stopper 3NT Gerber 4C Texas 4R BAL slam invite with 6C, no D stopper

## (OPTION B)

4S

Neutral, delayed DBL=	-PEN	
NEG, like Stayman (then DBL=PEN, CUE=no STOPPER)		
COMP	,	
LEB around D (1 suit k	(nown): at least INV C;	
then, over 3C:	3D=C, no STOPPER,	
	3H=C+4S	
	3S=C+4H/3NT=C+1/2 STOPPER	
H, INV+		
SPL, three-suiter		
S, INV+		
C one-suiter/STOPPEI	R/slam not impossible	
NAT- D stopper	·	
Gerber		
Texas		
	NEG, like Stayman (th COMP LEB around D (1 suit k then, over 3C: H, INV+ SPL, three-suiter S, INV+ C one-suiter/STOPPE NAT- D stopper Gerber	

1NT	(2D=5+D/4+M: "WOOLSEY VARIANT)	???	[Two suits, one known and BID]
1NT	(2D=3+D/5+M: "DEAS" VARIANT	???	[Two suits, one known and BID]
1NT	(2D=4+D/4+M: "DONT")	???	[Two suits, one known and BID]
1NT	(2D=4+D/4+H: "BROZEL")	???	[Two suits, both known, one BID]

Pass Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) DBL 2M **COMP** 2NT **LEBENSOHL** 3C C, INV 3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ C, FG 3S NAT-no D stopper 3NT 4C Gerber 4R Texas BAL slam invite with 6C, no D stopper 4S

#### (OPTION B)

Pass

Pass DBL 2M 2NT	Neutral, delayed DBL=PEN NEG, like Stayman (then DBL=PEN, CUE=no STOPPER, COMP LEB around D (1 suit known) :at least INV C;	
	then, over 3C:	3D=C, no STOPPER, 3H=C+4S 3S=C+4H/3NT=C+1/2 STOPPER
3C 3D 3H 3S 3NT 4C 4R	H, INV+ SPL, three-suiter S, INV+ C one-suiter/STOPPER NAT- D stopper Gerber Texas	

1N I	(2D=S+H)	???	[I wo suits, both known, neither BID]
1NT	(2D=S+H, better D: "RIPSTRA")	???	[Two suits, both known, neither BID]

DBL Cards, invites cooperation 2H COMP, C+D INV+, C+D (stoppers next) 2S LEBENSOHL (then M=that M stopper, 3NT=both) 2NT 3m NAT, FG SPL, C+D 3M NAT, no S/H stoppers 3NT Gerber 4C 4R Texas 4S D+C, weak distributional gamble

Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY

1NT	(2D=S+ANY: ASTRO VARIANT)	???	[Two suits, one known, not BID]
1NT	(2D=S+C or S+D: ASTRO VARIANT)	???	[Two suits, one known, not BID]
1NT	(2D=S, or S+C, or S+D)	???	["Two" suits, one known, not BID]

Pass Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY NEG DBL type, invites cooperation DBL COMP 2H FG Stayman 2S LEBENSOHL-SLOW (re S) 2NT NAT, FG 3C H, INV+ 3D 3Н D, FG C+D, FG 3S NAT, no S stopper, not 4H 3NT 4C Gerber Texas 4R D+C, weak distributional gamble 4S

## (OPTION B)

Pass	NEU, Delayed DBL=PEN
DBL	NEG DBL of S (STAYMAN?), then CUE=no S stopper
2H	COMP
2S	STAYMAN (might be "light T/O of S")
2NT	LEB around S (1 suit known) :at least INV C;
	then, over 3C: 3D=D+C/FG
	3H=long C+1/2 Stopper
	3S=C+4H/no Stopper
	3NT=C+4H/Stopper
3C	D, INV +(then 3H/3S/3NT as above)
3D	S, INV +
3H	SPL, three-suiter, FG
3S	C one-suiter/STOPPER/slam not impossible
3NT	NAT, S stopper, usually not 4H
4C	Gerber
4R	Texas

1NT	(2D=H, or S+C, or S+D)	???	[Nothing known]
1NT	(2D=H, or S+C: "SUCTION")	???	[Nothing known]
1NT	(2D=H+S, or C+D)	???	[Nothing known]
1NT	(2D=H, or S, or C+D)	???	[Nothing known]
1NT	(2D=H, or S, or M+m)	???	[Nothing known]
1NT	(2D=S+C, or S+D, or 5+H/5+S STR)	???	[Nothing known]
1NT	(2D=5M, or 20-22 BAL, or STR 1-suiter)	???	[Nothing known]

Pass	Neutral, DBL next=T/O; 2NT next=C+D over M, NAT over m
DBL	Cards, invites cooperation, second DBL=PENALTY
2M	COMP
2NT	LEB (C or D)
3C	D, INV+
3D	H, INV+
3H	S, INV+
3S	C, INV+
3NT	NAT, no stopper reference
4C	Gerber
4R	Texas
4S	D+C, weak and very long

# (OPTION B)

Pass	Neutral, Delayed DBL 1/O; Delayed 2N1 NA1, Delayed 3m COMP
DBL	Cards, then DBL=PEN, then 2NT=minors/INV
2H	H, COMP
2S	S, COMP
2NT	C, INV+ (then 3D=D, 3M=C+OM, 3NT=doubt
3C	D, INV+
3D	H, INV+ (then 3M=D+OM FG, 3NT=doubt)
3H	S, INV+
3S	C+D, FG
3NT, etc	

## 1NT (2D=6+S or 6+H: MULTI) ???

## (OPTION A)

Pass	Neutral, DBL next=T/O; 2NT next=C+D over M, NAT over m
DBL	Cards, invites cooperation, second DBL=PENALTY
2M	COMP
2NT	LEB (C or D)
3C	D, INV+
3D	H, INV+
3H	S, INV+
3S	C, INV+
3NT	NAT, no stopper reference
4C	Gerber
4R	Texas
4S	D+C, weak and very long

## (OPTION B)

Pass	Neutral, Delayed DBL T/O; Delayed 2NT NAT, Delayed 3m COMP
DBL	H, COMP (NOTE: this is a unique treatment)
2H	S, COMP
2S	D+C, COMP+ (before we get preempted)
2NT	C, INV+ (then 3D=C+D/FG, 3M=C+OM/FG, 3NT=C+doubt)
3C	D, INV+
3D	H, INV+
3H	S, INV+
3S	C, FG one-suiter, less doubt, slam not impossible
3NT	NAT (some semblance of M stoppers)
4C	Gerber
4R	Texas
4S	D+C, weak and very long

NOTE: This seems to be an exceptional case in which we introduce the idea of DBL=H, and 2H=S, freeing up 2S to show minors. Is it worth the memory strain? I will include below an alternative scheme using more "normal" stuff:

## (OPTION C)

Pass	Neutral, Delayed DBL T/O; Delayed 2NT NAT, Delayed 3m COMP
DBL	Cards, then DBL=PEN, then 2NT=minors/INV
2H	H, COMP
2S	S, COMP
2NT	C, INV+ (then 3D=D, 3M=C+OM, 3NT=doubt
3C	D, INV+
3D	H, INV+ (then 3M=D+OM FG, 3NT=doubt)
3H	S, INV+
3S	C+D, FG
3NT, etc	

1NT (2D=6+H: Transfer Overcall) ??? 1NT (2D=5+H/4+m) ???

Pass Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY; 2NT next=LEB!
DBL Cards, invites cooperation, second DBL=PENALTY

2H C+D 2S COMP 2NT LEB (C or D) 3C D, INV+

3D SPL, three-suiter

3H S, INV+ 3S C, INV+

3NT NAT, no H stopper

4C Gerber

4R Texas (caters to a psych!)
4S D+C, weak and very long

#### TWO HEARTS

 1NT (2H=NAT)
 ???

 1NT (2H=H+C or H+D)
 ???
 [Two suits, one bid]

 1NT (2H=H+C or H+D or Any STR 1-suiter) ???

#### (OPTION A)

Neutral, Delayed DBL PEN, Delayed 3m COMP Pass DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) 2S **COMP** C, INV+; then 3D=D/FG/3H=C+4S, 3S=doubt; 3NT=1/2 stopper+ 2NT 3C D, INV+, then 3H=5+D/4S; 3S=doubt; 3NT=1/2 stopper+ 3D S, INV+ 3H C+D, FG over 2H NAT, but SPL over 2H=H+m C one-suiter/FG/stopper/slam not impossible 3S 3NT NAT (H stopper) 4C Gerber 4D H (TEXAS) S, game-only Texas, no F/P to follow 4H 4S C+D, weak and very long

#### (OPTION B)

Pass	Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY
DBL	NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)
2S	COMP
2NT	LEBENSOHL
3C	C, FG
3D	D, FG
3H	S, INV+
3S	C+D, FG
3NT	NAT-no H stopper
4C	Gerber
4D	S, slam try Texas
4H	S, game-only Texas, no F/P to follow
4S	D+C, weak and very long

Applies to methods in which 2H=4H/longer minor

1NT (2H=6+S: Transfer Overcall) ??? 1NT (2H=5+S/4+m) ???

## (OPTION A)

Pass Neutral, DBL next=PENALTY; 2NT next=LEB!
DBL Cards, invites cooperation, second DBL=PENALTY

2S Minors 2NT LEB 3x NAT, FG

3S SPL, three-suiter 3NT NAT, no S stopper

4C Gerber

4R Texas (caters to a psych!) 4S D+C, weak and very long

## **OPTION B)**

Pass	Neutral, Delayed DBL PEN; Delayed 2NT C+D, Delayed 3x COMP
DBL	Cards, like Stayman, second DBL=PENALTY
2S	Minors; but ALTERNATIVELY: Light T/O of spades
2NIT	$C_1NV/+$ : than $3D-C+D_3S-C+4H$ : $3H-doubt$ : $3NT-1/2$ a stanpart

2NT C, INV+; then 3D=C+D,3S=C+4H; 3H=doubt; 3NT=1/2 a stopper+

3C D, INV+, then 3S=5+D/4H; 3H=doubt, 3NT=1/2 a stopper+

3D H, INV+ 3H SPL S

3S C one-suiter/FG/stopper, slam not impossible

3NT NAT (H stopper

4C Gerber

4R Texas (caters to a psych!) 4S C+D, weak and very long

1NT (2H=S) 2NT (P)

3C (4D) P NF, the INV club hand

DBL PENALTY

1NT(2H=H+S)???[Two suits, both known]1NT(2H=H+S, "DONT")???[Two suits, both known]

Pass Neutral, then DBL=T/O, Delayed 2NT=D+C, Delayed 3x COMP DBL BAL, C+D; Delayed DBL=COOP PENALTY, Delayed 2NT NAT

2S C+D, COMP+

2NT C, INV+; then 3D=C+D, 3M=5+C/4OM; 3NT=doubt

3C D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt

3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S C+D, 5/5+FG

3NT NAT, more-or-less BAL

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

#### 1NT (2H=S, or D+C: "SUCTION") ??? [Nothing known]

Pass Neutral, then DBL=T/O, Delayed 2NT=D+C, Delayed 3x COMP DBL NEG, like Stayman; Delayed DBL=PENALTY, Delayed 2NT NAT

2S NAT, COMP

2NT C, INV+; then 3D=C+D, 3M=5+C/4OM; 3NT=doubt

3C D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt

3R H/S, INV+ 3S C+D, FG

3NT NAT, more-or-less BAL

4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S D+C, weak and very long

#### TWO SPADES

1NT	(2S=S)	???
1NT	(2S=S+D or S+C)	???
1NT	(2S=S+D or S+C or ANY 1-suiter STR)	???

## (OPTION A)

Pass DBL 2NT 3C 3D 3H 3S 3NT 4C 4D 4H 4S		NEG, like C, INV+; D, INV+, H, INV+ C one-sui C+D NAT ( S s Gerber Texas 5H/5+m,	Stayman; then 3S=5 then 3S=5 iter/FG/sto stopper)	BL=PEN; Delayed 3x=COMP; INV+; later DBL=PENALTY L+C/4H, 3H=C+doubt, 3NT=C+ 1/2 stopper+ L+D/4H; 3H=D+doubt; 3NT=D+ 1/2 stopper+ L-pper/slam not impossible Labling shot, no F/P to follow Ly long
1NT 3D 3H 3S 3NT	(2S)	3C=D	(P)	Minimum, rejecting the INV NAT (4+H), extras Good hand for D, no S stopper NAT, extras, stopper(s)
1NT 3D	(2S) (P)	3C=D 3H 3S 3NT	(P)	Uncertain re NT 5+D/4H At least a half-stopper

Attempt to play 4/4 Major fit from opener's side, hence 3H rather than 3S with 4S. This means that with weak one-suited hands, you do not compete directly (delayed 3x shows these hands) although it could easily go 2S-all pass)

Direct cue (when possible) shows both minors

Use NEG DBL to cover many BAL, quasi-BAL INV+ hands

1NT	(2S)	DBL	(P)	
3H				4+H, minimum
3S				4H, maximum (then 4D transfers to 4H)
4H				5H, maximum

Applies also to methods in which 2S=4S/longer minor

# (OPTION B)

Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY
NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)
LEBENSOHL
C, FG
H, INV+
D, FG
C+D, FG
NAT-no S stopper
Gerber
H, Texas
6+H/5m, NF, no F/P to follow
C+D, weak and very long

Applies to methods in which 2S=4S/longer minor

#### 1NT (2S=C) ???

Pass Neutral, Delayed DBL=T/O, Delayed 3x COMP DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2NT NAT

3C D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt

3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S S+H, 5/5+ FG

3NT NAT 4C Gerber 4R Texas

4S Three-suiter short in C

## 1NT (2S=C or D) ???

Pass Neutral, Delayed DBL=T/O, Delayed 3x COMP DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2NT C, INV+; then 3M=5+C/4OM, 3NT=doubt 3C D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt

3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+ 3S S+H, 5/5+ FG

3NT NAT 4C Gerber 4R Texas

## 1NT (2S=C, or D+H: "SUCTION") ???

Pass Neutral, Delayed DBL=T/O, Delayed 3x COMP DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)

2NT C, INV+; then 3M=5+C/4OM, 3NT=doubt 3C D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt

3D H, INV+ 3H S, INV+

3S S+H, 5/5+ FG

3NT NAT 4C Gerber 4R Texas

## **TWO NOTRUMP**

1NT	(2NT=C+D) ???
1NT	(2NT=C+D or M+m STR) ???
Pass DBL 3C 3D 3H 3S 3NT 4C 4D 4H	Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) H+S, could be just COMP H, INV+ S, INV+ 5+S/5+H, slam try, SPL C NAT 5+S/5+H, slam try, SPL D H, Texas S, Texas
1NT	(2NT=C) ???
Pass	Neutral, Delayed DBL=T/O, Delayed 3x COMP
DBL	NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)
3C	D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt
3D	H, INV+
3H	S, INV+
3S	S+H, 5/5+ FG
3NT	NAT
4C	Gerber
4R	Texas
4S	Three-suiter short in C
1NT	(2NT=C or D) ???
Pass	Neutral, Delayed DBL=T/O, Delayed 3x COMP
DBL	NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY)
3C	D, INV+, then 3M=5+D/4OM, 3NT=doubt
3D	H, INV+
3H	S, INV+
3S	C, INV+
3NT	NAT
4C	Gerber
4R	Texas

#### 1NT (2NT=H+C or H+D STR) ???

#### (OPTION A)

**Pass** Neutral, Delayed DBL PEN, Delayed 3m COMP DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) 3C D, INV+, then 3H=5+D/4S; 3S=doubt; 3NT=1/2 stopper+ 3D C. INV+ :then 3H=C+4S, 3S=doubt; 3NT=1/2 stopper+ S, INV+ 3H 3S C one-suiter/FG/stopper/slam not impossible 3NT NAT (H stopper) 4C Gerber 4D H (TEXAS; just in case) 4H S, game-only Texas, no F/P to follow

#### (OPTION B)

**Pass** Neutral, later DBL=PENALTY DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) 3C C, INV+ 3D D, INV+ 3H S, INV+ C one-suiter/FG/stopper/slam not impossible 3S 3NT NAT-no H stopper 4C Gerber 4D S, slam try Texas 4H S, game-only Texas, no F/P to follow

#### 1NT (2NT=Any 1-suiter) ??? 1NT (2NT=Any 2-suiter STR) ???

Pass Neutral, later DBL=T/O DBL NEG, like Stayman (INV+; later DBL=PENALTY) 3C D, COMP+ 3D H, COMP+ 3H S, COMP+ C, INV+ 3S 3NT 5+S/5+H, slam try, SPL C 4C 5+S/5+H, slam try, SPL D 4D H, Texas 4H S, Texas

## 1NT (3C=NAT) ???

DBL 3D	NEG, BAL or no six-card suit, not 55+ Majors Hearts, COMP/INV+ (Opener assumes max COMP)
3H	Spades, COMP/INV+ (Opener assumes max COMP)
3S	Diamonds, FG (in practice, may be stretch)
3NT	NAT
4C	5+S/5+H, perhaps not a great hand
4D	At least a 4H bid (e.g. KQJxxxxx and out)
4H	At least a 4S bid
4S	At least a 5D bid
4NT	Blackwood, aces
5C	4450, very strong

# 1NT (3C=D) ???

DBL	NEG, BAL or no six-card suit, not 55+ Majors
3D	Hearts, COMP/INV+ (Opener assumes max COMP)
3H	Spades, COMP/INV+ (Opener assumes max COMP)
3S	C, INV+
3NT	5+S/5+H, slam try
4C	5+S/5+H, perhaps not a great hand
4D	At least a 4H bid (e.g. KQJxxxxx and out)
4H	At least a 4S bid
4S	At least a 5C bid
4NT	Blackwood, aces
5C	4405, very strong

## 1NT (3C=H) ???

DBL	NEG, BAL or no six-card suit, not 55+ Majors
3D	C, INV+
3H	Spades, COMP/INV+ (Opener assumes max COMP)
3S	D, INV+
3NT	5+S/5+C, slam try
4C	C+D, FG
4D	5+S/5+D, slam try
4H	At least a 4S bid
4S	At least a 5C bid
4NT	Blackwood, aces
5C	At least a 5C bid

# 1NT (3C=ANY 2 Suits) ???

G, BAL or C, INV+
NV+
NV+
NV+
S/5+H, slam try
S/5+H, perhaps not a great hand
east a 4H bid (e.g. KQJxxxxx and out)
east a 4S bid
east a 5C bid
ckwood, aces
east a 5D bid

## **THREE DIAMONDS**

# 1NT (3D=NAT) ???

DBL	NEG, BAL; probably not 5+S/5+H
3H	S, FG
3S	H, FG
3NT	NAT
4C	NAT, FG
4D	5+S/5+H
4H	NAT
4S	NAT
4NT	Blackwood, aces
5C	4405, very strong

## 1NT (3D=D+H)

DBL	NEG
3H	S, INV+
3S	C, INV+
3NT	NAT
4C	5+S/5+C, SPL D
4D	5+S/5+C, SPL H
4H	Texas
4S	NAT
4NT	Blackwood, aces
5C	PRE

#### 1NT (3D=H+S)DBL NEG, BAL 3H C, INV+ 3S D, INV+ 3NT NAT 4C D, Slam try 4D C. Slam try SPL, C+D 4H 4S SPL, C+D 4NT Blackwood, aces PRE 5m 1NT (3D=H)??? 1NT (3D=H or H+C or H+D)??? **Pass** Neutral; could be PEN DBL of H DBL NEG 3H S, INV+ C, INV+ 3S 3NT NAT D, INV+ 4C 4D 5+S/5+m, slam try 4H Texas 4S C+D, weak and very long 4NT Blackwood, aces 5C PRE 1NT (3D=6+S or 6+H: "MULTI") ??? **Pass** Neutral, DBL next T/O DBL Cards, invites coop'n, Delayed DBL PEN; Delayed 3NT NAT 3H S, FG 3S H, FG 3NT C+D, NF [NOTE: must DBL first to reach 3NT] 4C NAT, FG 4R Texas 4S D, FG 4NT D+C, F1 1NT (3D=ANY 2 Suits) ??? DBL NEG, BAL or INV+ with a long minor (probably 3NT next) 3H S, INV+ 3S H, INV+ 3NT 5+S/5+H, slam try 4C 5+S/5+H, perhaps not a great hand

4NT Blackwood, aces At least a 5D bid

At least a 5C bid

4R

4S

5C

TRF; at least a 4M bid (e.g. KQJxxxxx and out)

#### THREE HEARTS

5m

PRE

#### 1NT (3H=NAT) ??? DBL NEG, BAL; the way to find four-four S 3S NAT, FG 3NT NAT 4C D. FG C, FG 4D 4H Texas, S 4S D+C, FG type 4NT Blackwood, aces 5C D+C, weak and very long 5D PRE (3H=H+S) 1NT ??? DBL NEG, BAL 3S D+C, best game first priority 3NT NAT 4C D, Slam try 4D C, Slam try 4H SPL, C+D 4S SPL, C+D 4NT Blackwood, aces **PRE** 5m ??? 1NT (3H=S)1NT (3H=S or S+C or S+D)??? DBL NEG, BAL 3S Н 3NT NAT D, Slam try 4C 4D C, Slam try 4H SPL, C+D 4S SPL, C+D 4NT Blackwood, aces

#### **THREE SPADES**

## 1NT (3S=NAT) ???

DBL NEG, BAL; the way to find four-four H 3NT NAT D, FG 4C 4D H, FG C, FG 4H C+D, FG type 4S Blackwood, aces 4NT 5C 0544, slam try 5D PRE

## 1NT (3S=S+D) ???

4NT

DBL NEG, BAL; the way to find four-four H
3NT NAT
4C 5H
4D 6H
4H C, Slam try
4S C, Game only

Blackwood, aces

#### THREE NOTRUMP

#### ??? 1NT (3NT=C+D) Neutral, could be pure PEN DBL of C/D **Pass** DBL NEG 4C 5+H/5+S, perhaps not a great hand 4D Η 4H 4S NAT, typically 7/5, no positional advantage likely 4NT Blackwood, aces 5C 5+H/5+S, C void 5D 5+H/5+S, D void 5H AKxxx QJ10xxxxx --- (for example) 5S QJ10xxxxx AKxxx --- (for example) 1NT (3NT=H+S)??? **Pass** Neutral, could be pure PEN DBL of H/S DBL NEG 4C D 4D C 4H C+D, SPL H 4S C+D, SPL S 4NT Blackwood, aces 5m PRE 5H C+D, void H, first-rd S control 5S C+D, void S, first-rd H control 1NT (3NT=Any 2-suiter) ??? **Pass** Neutral, could be pure PEN DBL NEG-style; BAL with length in H+S DBL 4C D 4D Н 4H S 4S С C+D 4NT **PRE** 5m 5H AKxxx QJ10xxxxx --- (for example) 5S QJ10xxxxx AKxxx --- (for example)

## **FOUR CLUBS**

1NT	(4C=NAT)	???
DBL	NEG	
4D	Н	
4H	S	
4S	D	
4NT	NAT	
5C	4450,	very strong

#### **FOUR DIAMONDS**

FOUR DIAMONDS				
1NT	(4D=NAT)	???		
DBL 4H 4S 4NT 5C 5D 5M 5NT	Slam	try, probable shortness, nothing specific try a slam; bid suits upwards		
1NT	(4D=7+S or	7+H: MULTI) ???		
DBL 4H 4S 4NT 5C 5D 5M 5NT	NAT NAT Slam	try ı slam; bid suits upwards		
1NT 1NT	(4D=H) (4D=H+C or	??? H+D) ???		
DBL 4H 4S 4NT 5C 5D 5H 5S 5NT	NAT NAT 5044 QJ10:	wood, aces slam try xxxxx AKxxx (for example) slam; bid suits upwards		

#### FOUR HEARTS/FOUR SPADES

1NT (4H=NAT) ??? 1NT (4S=NAT) ???

DBL NEG 4S NAT

4NT D+C (or over 4S, possibly H+D or H+C)

5C NAT 5D NAT

5M Slam try; nonspecific

5OM NAT, slam try

5NT Pick a slam; bid suits upwards

1NT (4H=S) ??? 1NT (4H=S+C or S+D) ???

Pass Neutral; could be PEN DBL of S

DBL NEG

4S One-suited slam try; opener uses "reject" continuations

4NT C+D 5C NAT 5D NAT

5H QJ10xxxxx --- (for example)

5S C+D, no M losers, try for seven 5NT Pick a slam; bid suits upwards