

Announcing and Alerting in the NIBU – 1st September 2017

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Opening Bid	Description	Announcement	No Action	Alert
1♣ & 1♦	Could be fewer than 3 cards	“Could be short”		
	Could be 3 cards		✓	
	Other (Strong, Artificial)			✓
1♥ & 1♠	5 cards		✓	
1NT	Balanced	State range and, if relevant, “may contain a singleton”		
2♣	Strong, ACOL	“Strong” or “ACOL”		
	Benji			✓
	Precision			✓
2♦	Weak with diamonds	“Weak”		
	Strong with diamonds	“Strong”		
	Other (Multi, Benji etc)			✓
2♥ & 2♠	Weak with hearts and spades	“Weak”		
	Strong with hearts and spades	“Strong”		
	Other (Lucas, Flannery etc)			✓
2NT	Balanced	State range		
	Other			✓
Responses to 1NT				
Response	Description	Announcement	No Action	Alert
1NT - 2♣	Simple Stayman (promissory or not)	“Stayman”		
	5 card Stayman			✓
1NT - 2♣ - 2♦	Denies 4 card major		✓	
1NT - 2♦	Transfer	“Transfer” or “Hearts”		
1NT - 2♦ - 2♥	Completes transfer		✓	
1NT - 2♥	Transfer	“Transfer” or “Spades”		
1NT - 2♥ - 2♠	Completes transfer		✓	
1NT - 2♠	11 points			✓
	Transfer to clubs	“Transfer” or “Clubs”		
1NT – 2NT	Transfer to diamonds	“Transfer” or “Diamonds”		

Responses to 2NT

Response	Description	Announcement	No Action	Alert
2NT - 3♣	Simple Stayman (promissory or not)	"Stayman"		
	5 card Stayman			✓
	Baron			✓
2NT - 3♣ - 3♦	Denies 4 card major		✓	
	Denies 5 card major but shows 4 card major			✓
	Shows diamonds		✓	
2NT - 3♣ - 3♥/♠	Shows 4/5 card suit		✓	
2NT - 3♦	Transfer	"Transfer" or "Hearts"		
2NT - 3♦ - 3♥	Completes transfer		✓	
2NT - 3♥	Transfer	"Transfer" or "Spades"		
2NT - 3♥ - 3♠	Completes transfer		✓	
2NT - 3♠	5 spades & 4 hearts			✓
	Minor Suit Stayman			✓

Bids above 3NT

Artificial suit bids on 1 st round of the auction (for this purpose the first round of the bidding is the opening bid and three subsequent calls)		✓
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A Final Reminder

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