

| OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---|--|---|---------------------|
| Opening | Tick if Art | Min No Crds | Neg Dbl Thru | Description | Responses | Subsequent Auction | Passed Hand Bidding |
| 1♣ | x | 0 | | 17, any dist except 21-22 bal | 1♦=0-7(8), 1M/2m=8+ 5+suit, 1N=9+bal, 2M=2-4 6+M, 2N=9+(4441) 3m=any solid suit, 3M=semisolid M, 4m=semisolid m | 1♣-1♦;1M=nat 17-20 but may be canapé | |
| 1♦ | x | 0 | 4♥ | (a) 11-13 NT (b) 11-16 (4441) (c) 11-16 with 5+♣ or 5+♦ (may be void ♦) | 1M=nat but may be light or even 3-card once in a while 3♥=ST, 15+ w/ 5+5+ minors, 3♠=xfer to 3NT | 1♦-1M;2oM=14-16, 4oM & 5+m 1♦-1M;2NT=14-16, 4c supp or 3c supp w/6+minor | |
| 1♥ | | 5 | 4♦ | (10)11-16, 5+ | 2NT=GF w/4c supp, 3♣=INV w/3+ supp, 3M=7-9 w/4c supp and unbal. | | |
| 1♠ | | 5 | 4♥ | (10)11-16 5+ | See 1♥ | | |
| 1NT | | | 4♥ | 14-16 may be 5422 once in a while | 2♣=stay, 2♦=4+♥, 2♥=4+♠, 2♠=bal-inv/m's/wk 6+♦, 2NT=[wk xx?] 3♣=s/o 6+♣, 3♦=44(41), 3M=(41)44, 4m=SAT | | |
| 2♣ | x | 0 | 4♥ | (0)3-9, 4♥ with 5+m | Pass/2m/2M=wk pref, 2oM=nat NF, 3♣=PoC, 3U=GF 4c Msupp, 3M=pre | | |
| 2♦ | x | 0 | 4♥ | (0)3-9, 4♠ with 5+m | same as 2♣ except 3♦=INV+ w/6+♥ | | |
| 2♥ | | 4 | 4♦ | 10-13 4♥ with 5+m (3c oM is rare) | Same as 2♣ | | |
| 2♠ | | 4 | 4♥ | 10-13 4♠ with 5+m (3c oM is rare) | same as 2♣ except 3♦=INV+ w/6+♥ | | |
| 2NT | | | | 21-22 | 3♣=stay, 3♦/♥=xfer, 3♠=SI, 44+ m's, 4m=SI 5+m, 4M=to play | | |
| 3♣ | | 7 | | 10-13 7+ | 4♣=SI | | |
| 3♦ | | 7 | | " | 4♦=SI | | |
| 3♥ | | 7 | | " | 4m=cue | | |
| 3♠ | | 7 | | " | 4m=cue | | |
| 3NT | x | | | ½: PRE in one minor. ¾:To play | 4♣=PoC | | |
| 4♣ | x | | | solid 7+♥ | 4♦=SI | | |
| 4♦ | x | | | solid 7+♠ | 4♥=SI | | |
| 4♥ | | 6 | | PRE | | | |
| 4♠ | | 6 | | PRE | | | |
| 4NT | | | | Asks for specific aces | 5♣=0, 5x=x-Ace, 5NT=2, 6♣=♣ Ace | | |
| 5♣ | | | | PRE | | | |
| 5♦ | | | | PRE | | | |
| 5♥ | | | | PRE | | | |
| 5♠ | | | | PRE | | | |
| 5NT | | | | | | | |

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

RKC, splinterbids, italian cuebids, DOPI, DOPE, 5NT=RKC if not able to use 4NT.