

SUPPLEMENTARY SHEETS, FRAZZES' FUZZY DIAMOND

[1] RESPONSES AND SUBSEQUENT BIDS AFTER AN OPENING BID OF ONE DIAMOND

First and second in hand an opening bid of one diamond promises at least four cards in at least one of the majors. It might be both majors and there might be a longer minor. Defending against this opening bid we suggest that you treat it in a similar fashion as garbage collecting one diamond opening that so many strong club systems contain. The one adjustment you might want to consider is to define double as takeout of spades. You should also beware that overcalling in majors is somewhat more dangerous than usual. The reason for this is that we sometimes can employ double to show: for penalties if you have four of their suit.

There are two responses that you should discuss how you would like to treat. First $1\ \diamond - 1\ \heartsuit$ is a relay that is either weak, 0-5, 6+ with at least four hearts, game forcing with a minor or at least invitational for game with a balanced hand. Here, we have seen misunderstandings over the meaning of a double. Second, $1\ \diamond - 2\ \heartsuit$ shows a weak raise with support in both majors. This situation has similarities to a multi two diamond opening. $2\ \heartsuit$ can, however, be passed out and we do have promised some strength.

Whether the short/long rule of WBFs system policy does or does not say that this bid qualifies under the definitions of highly unusual methods is currently not determined. Pragmatically, Jan Kamras has decided to allow us to play our methods in OBS 1 and that our one diamond opening is to be regarded as a brown sticker convention. Not that this type of opening bid has anything at all to do with anything that is defined to be a brown sticker convention. Anyway, the application of the system policy at OBS 1 should be as unpredictable as can be expected during a championship, so this decision is probably sound.

You are allowed to consult written notes of your defence against a Brown Sticker convention before you make your bid.