

BROWN STICKER OPENING BID ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

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Opening bid of 2D in all seats at any vulnerability

Shows: Either 5-10 HCP with 5M and 4+m, or BAL 20-22 with 5(6)M

Detailed Description: It always has a 5-card major. If weak (5-10 HCP), then exactly a 5-card major and 4-card or longer minor. If strong, it will be balanced 20-22 HCP with a 5 or 6-card major.

Responses and Rebids in Uncontested auctions

With what hands will responder pass the opening bid? None

Meanings of other responses and rebids:

2♥= pass or correct for the major

2♠= pass or correct for the major (Opener bids their minor on the way)

2NT= 16+, artificial relay. (May be less than 16 (down to good 13) with good fit with both majors)

3♣= pass or correct for the minor

3♦= pass or correct for the minor

3♥/♠= pass or correct

4♣/♦/♥= pass or correct

4♠ = To play

Responses to the 2NT relay:

3♣= clubs and hearts

3♦= diamonds and spades

3♥= diamonds and hearts

3♠= clubs and spades

3NT= 20-22 with a 5(6)-card major

Sequences after the 2NT relay:

If responder bids opener's major below game, it is invitational. Four of opener's minor is RKCB. Jump in a new suit is Lackwood. 4NT is RKCB (6-keycard). Jump to 5 of opener's major demands 6 of the major with 2 of the top 3 honours. A new suit below game is natural and forcing. Opener rebids 3NT with no fit. Any other bid shows a fit, and is either a cue bid or a splinter.

If opener has shown 20-22 by rebidding 2NT, 3♣ asks for opener's major, 3♦/♥ are transfers and 3♠ is minor-suit Stayman.

If opener has shown 20-22 with a major by rebidding 3NT, 4♣ asks for opener's major, followed by either RKCB or a cue bid. 4♦/♥ are transfers and 4♠ asks (if not a passed hand) for a 4-card minor. These bids also apply if opener rebids 2/3NT (to show 20-22 with a 5-card major) after a pass or correct response.

Competitive Agreements

Responses after opponent's DBL

All bids are the same. Redouble is a puppet to the next step up after which responder will bid a suit to play.

Responses after opponent's overcall:

They overcall a suit: Double is responsive, opener will pass with 4+ in the suit they bid. Bids in a new suit are pass or correct. NT bids are natural, to play.

They overcall 2NT: Double is for penalty. Bids in a suit are pass or correct.

If responder passes after any interference, opener doubles to show the strong hand.

Rebids after 4th hand DBLs the response:

Opener simply makes their normal bid. If responder had bid 2♥ as P/C and the double is passed around to the responder, redouble is a puppet to the next step up after which responder will bid a suit to play. Responder can also bid a minor as P/C in this situation.

Rebids after 4th hand overcalls:

This would typically occur after responder's P/C bid. Opener will normally pass in this situation. They can, however, double to show the strong balanced hand.

Proposed Defence

Treat it as a standard Multi 2D. So, natural overcalls, 2NT overcall with balanced 15-18, double with any 16+ unless balanced 15-18.