

Opening Bids

Meaning

1♣/♦	12 [*] -21 HCP at least 2 cards in suit and denied a 5 card Major
1♥/♠	12 [*] -21 HCP 5+ card Major
1NT	15-17 HCP Balanced no singletons/void no more than 1 doubleton
2♣	22 [*] + HCP forcing to game 3NT, 4♥ or 4♠ or if nothing else 5♣/♦
2♦/♥/♠	6 [*] -9 HCP 6 cards in suit bid will not bid again unless forced to by partner. Weak bid - trying to upset opponents. Not expecting to make but only go 2 off at most
2NT	20-21 HCP Balanced
3♣/♦/♥/♠	6 [*] -9 HCP 7 cards in suit bid will not bid again unless forced to by partner. Weak bid - trying to upset opponents. Not expecting to make but only go 2 off at most
4♣/♦/♥/♠	6 [*] -9 HCP 8 cards in suit bid will not bid again unless forced to by partner. Weak bid - trying to upset opponents. Not expecting to make but only go 2 off at most
5♣/♦	6 [*] -9 HCP 8 cards in suit bid will not bid again unless forced to by partner. Weak bid - trying to upset opponents. Not expecting to make but only go 2 off at most

* may have a bit of flexibility in this bid depending on the shape and quality of the hand/suit