

BEGINNERS' LESSONS Welcome

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Lesson Four

Responder's New Suit Bids



Basic Rules for Responder's bids

- I. Support partner's suit
- 2. Bid a new suit
- 3. Bid NoTrumps if option 1 or 2 is not possible

You have 3 choices



New Suit Bids by Responder

- 1-level bid = 6+ HCP
- 2-level bid = 10+ HCP

(Don't jump to the 2-level if you can bid at the 1-level)

These bids are unlimited

they are FORCING

partner MUST bid again



Which Suit do you bid first?

- Longest suit
- 2. Lower available 4-card suit
- 3. Higher ranking 5-card suit

These bids are unlimited

they are FORCING

partner MUST bid again





6+ points and no fit in hearts

Bid 1
your own suit at the 1-level





10+ points and no fit in hearts

Bid 2 •

your own suit at the 2-level





6+ points and no fit in hearts.

Not enough points to bid your longer suit at the 2-



your own suit at the 1-level





6+ points and no fit in hearts.
You cannot bid your own suit at the 1-level or 2-level

You MUST Bid INT

the only bid left available to you



Basic Rules for Opener's Rebid

- Agree partner's suit if you have a fit
- Bid NoTrumps if no other option available
- Bid another suit (if you can)
- Bid your suit again (with extra length)

AT THE SAME TIME

 Describe the quality of your hand MINIMUM, NEARLY GAME or GAME



What type of Opening hand have you got?

18-19	GAME
16 - 17	Nearly Game
12 - 15	Minimum



Supporting Responder's Suit

- MINIMUM (12-15) ... raise a level
- INVITATIONAL (16-17) ... jump a level
- GAME (18-19) ... bid game

MUST HAVE A FIT 4+ support



Opener's Rebid – SUPPORT PARTNER

You open I ♥ with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

You have a fit (14 HCP)

MINIMUM HAND - Bid 2 4



Opener's Rebid – SUPPORT PARTNER

You open I ♦ with this hand



Partner bids 1 \(\nsigma\)

You have a fit, 16 HCP

NEARLY GAME (INVITATIONAL) – Bid 3 💙



Opener's Rebid – SUPPORT PARTNER

You open I & with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

You have a fit, 19 HCP

GAME - Bid 4



Opener's Bid of a New Suit

- 2nd suit below the barrier = 12 15 HCP
- 2nd suit *above the barrier* = 16 − 19 HCP

Shows an unbalanced hand

Shows 5+ cards in first suit and 4+ cards in second suit



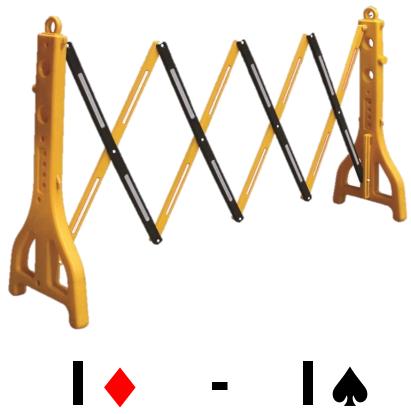
What is the "barrier"?



Opener DOES NOT bid past their original opening suit unless they have 16+ points



Examples of the "barrier"?



2 ♦ is the barrier, so unless you have 16+ points you can only bid 2♣ or 2 ♦

Examples of the "barrier"?



What is the barrier in this example? What suits can you bid below the barrier?



Opener's NEW SUIT Rebid

You open I ♥ with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

No fit with partner, unbalanced, 13 HCP

MINIMUM – bid new suit BELOW 1st suit – Bid 2♣



Opener's NEW SUIT Rebid

You open I • with this hand



Partner bids 1

No fit with partner, unbalanced, 12 HCP

MINIMUM – CANNOT BID HEARTS

Rebid 1st suit − Bid 2 ◆



Opener's NEW SUIT Rebid

You open I v with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

No fit with partner, unbalanced, 19 HCP

GAME – MUST BID PAST THE BARRIER

Jump in second suit – Bid 3 ♦



Opener's Rebid of their Own Suit

- 2-level = 12-15 HCP
- Jump = 16-17HCP(6+)
- **GAME** = 18-19 HCP (6+)

Usually shows a single suited hand



Opener's Rebid of their Own Suit

You open I ♦ with this hand



Partner bids 1

No fit with partner, unbalanced, 12 HCP

MINIMUM

Rebid your own suit – Bid 2 ♦



Opener's Rebid of their Own Suit

You open I ♥ with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

No fit with partner, unbalanced, 16 HCP

NEARLY GAME (INVITATIONAL)

Rebid your own suit – Bid 3♥



Opener's Rebid of their Own Suit You open I A with this hand



Partner bids 2.

No fit with partner, unbalanced, 17 HCP

GAME 6+ own suit and partner has 10+ HCP

Bid GAME in your suit – Bid 3 🏚





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