

# Responder Point Ranges (Suit Opening Bid)

**6 - 9 Points** – you must respond

**10 - 12 Points** – invitational hand

**13 - 15 Points** – game hand

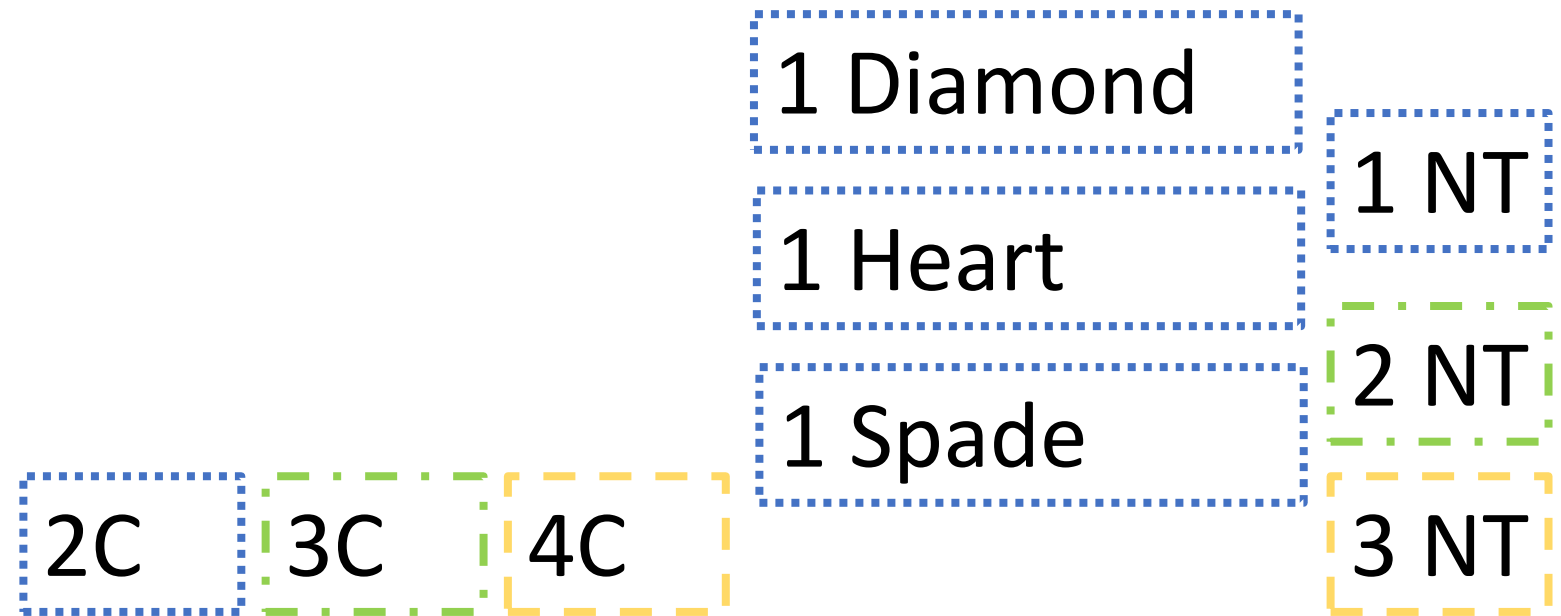
**16+ Points** – game or slam

# Responses to 1 Club

## Opening Bidder

***1 Club***

## Responding Bidder



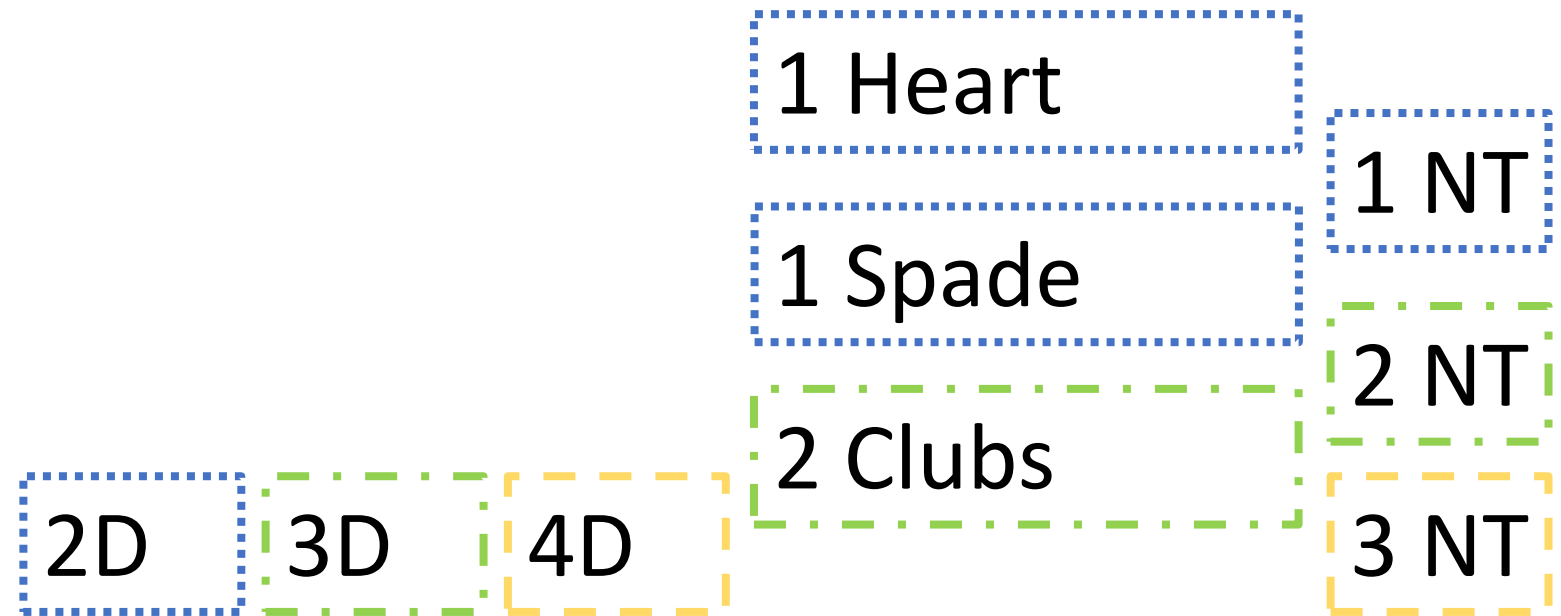
**2 Diamonds, Hearts, Spades**

# Responses to 1 Diamond

## Opening Bidder

*1 Diamond*

## Responding Bidder



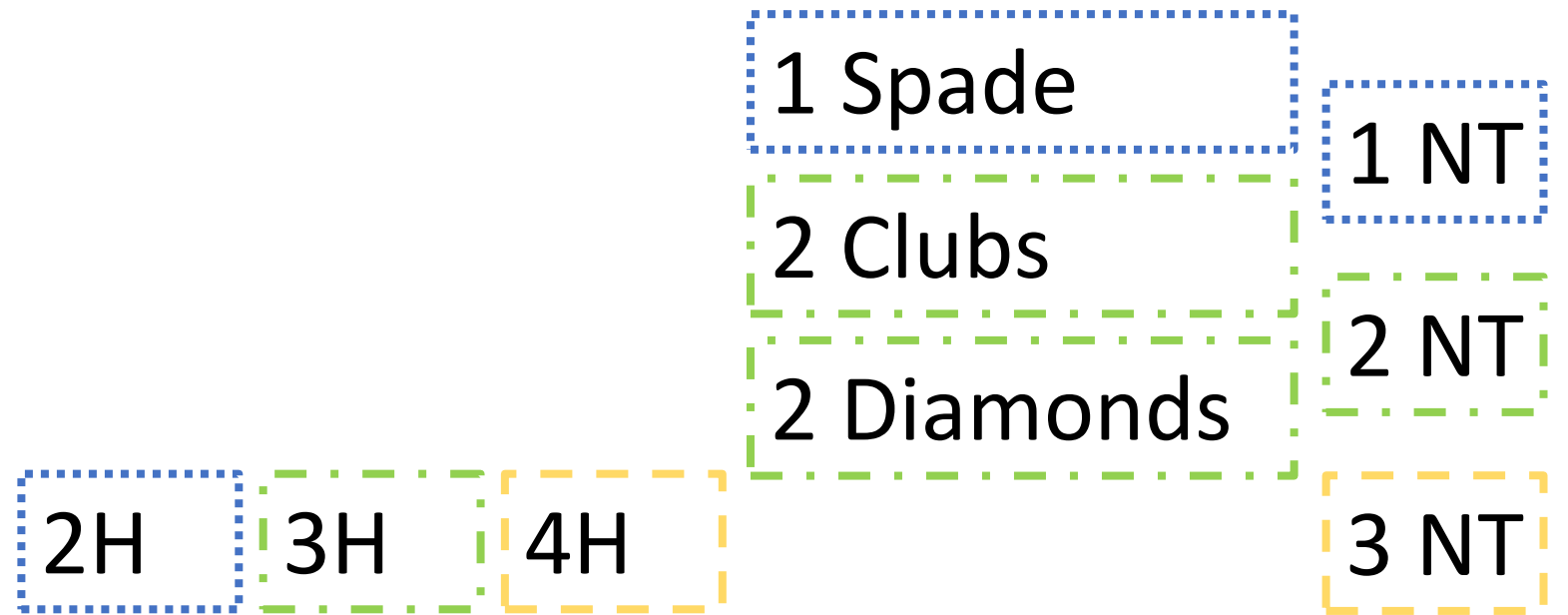
2 Hearts, Spades, 3 Clubs

# Responses to 1 Heart

## Opening Bidder

*1 Heart*

## Responding Bidder



# Responses to 1 Spade

Opening Bidder

*1 Spade*

Responding Bidder

2S

3S

4S

2 Clubs

2 Diamonds

2 Hearts

1 NT

2 NT

3 NT

3 Clubs, Diamonds, Hearts

# Responder Priorities

- Priority of bids:
  - Support opener's major suit (hearts or spades) with at least **3 card support.**
  - Show a new suit with **4 or more cards** in the suit (forcing for one round).
  - Bid some number of no trump.
  - Support opener's minor suit with at least 4 (preferably 5+) cards.
- Show the strength of your hand as soon as possible.

# Responder Point Ranges (1 NT Opening Bid)

**< 8 Points** – if unbalanced, bid a suit

**8+ Points** – invitational hand

**10+ Points** – game hand

**15+ Points** – game or slam

# 1 No Trump Bidding Choices

## Opening Bidder

***1 No Trump***

## Responding Bidder

2 Clubs

→ Stayman Convention

2 Hearts

2 Spades

2 No Trump

3 Clubs

3 Diamonds

3 Hearts

3 Spades

3 No Trump

4 No Trump

# Responder Point Ranges (2 NT Opening Bid)

**< 5 Points – pass**

**5+ Points – game hand**

**12+ Points – slam**

# 2 No Trump Bidding Choices

## Opening Bidder

***2 No Trump***

## Responding Bidder

3 Clubs

→ Stayman Convention

3 Hearts

5+ points, 5 cards in suit

3 Spades

3 No Trump

→ 5+ points, balanced

4 Hearts

5+ points, 6+ cards in suit

4 Spades

6 No Trump

7 No Trump

# Responder Point Ranges (2C Opening Bid)

**< 8 Points** – weak (respond 2D)

**8+ Points** – invitational hand (inviting  
slam)

# 2 Clubs Bidding Choices

## Opening Bidder

**2 Clubs**

## Responding Bidder

2 Diamonds



Artificial and weak

2 Hearts

2 Spades

2 No Trump

3 Clubs

3 Diamonds

8+ high card points.  
For suit bids, a 5+ card  
(6+ for clubs and  
diamonds) strong suit  
(KJxxx or better).