

New series of 10 topics – Thursdays at 9:30am or 4:15pm

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Bids after Opponent opens 1NT

Your right-hand opponent opens a 15-17 NT,
and you have a good hand; what do you do?

There are numerous options!

You may decide you would prefer to make natural bids after your opponent opens 1NT.

However, I'm going to show you a more useful option today: **D.O.N.T.**

(Disturb Opponents No Trump)

But just for a bit of fun...

List of 60+ options:

ANTI	Gates adjunct^[2]	Roth-Stone Astro^[2] (see Astro)
Aspro^{[1][2]}	Grano-Astro^{[1][2]} (see Astro)	Sahara convention^[2]
Asptro,^{[1][2]} a hybrid of Astro and Aspro	Hamilton^{[1][2]}	Scorchio^[2]
Astro,^{[1][2]} Modified Astro, Pinpoint Astro, Grano-Astro, Roth-Stone Astro	Hello^[2]	Sharples convention,^[2] Modified Sharples
Astrolite^[1]	Kelsey^[2]	Soap convention^[2]
Becker^{[1][2]}	Landy^{[1][2]}	Splash convention^[2]
Bergen over 1NT^[2] (see DONT)	Lionel^[2]	Suction,^{[1][2]} Twerb Suction, Suction Redwood
Blue Club transfers^[2] (see Transfer overcalls)	Maestro Double	Supernatural
Brozel^{[1][2]}	Meckwell	Tizi convention^[2]
Cansino,^{[1][2]} Modified Cansino	Meyerson	Toss convention^[2]
Canape transfers	Modified Astro^[2] (see Astro)	Transfer overcalls^[2]
Cappelletti,^{[1][2]} Modified Cappelletti, Revised Cappelletti	Mohan	TRASH
CDH Buchanan	MONK	Uni-club^[2]
CHASM	Multi-Landy	Vroom convention^[2]
Comfy Canapé^[2] or CoCa	Nilsland	Modified Wallis
CRASH^[2] (aka CRO)	Pinpoint Astro^[2] (see Astro)	Westwood convention^[2] See also WIND convention and WINDA
Crowhurst convention	Pottage,^[2] Revised Pottage	WIND convention^[2]
DONT,^{[1][2]} Revised DONT	Power^[2]	WINDA^[2]
Exclusion bids^{[1][2]} (aka Super Convention)	RCO^[2]	WONT^[2]
Feathertson	Ripstra^{[1][2]}	Woolsey^[3]
Feel Away Notrump (FAN)	Roche convention	
Feel Oriented Notrump Destroyer (FOND)	Roth^[2]	

Defense vs Notrump on convention card (top, 2nd box from the left)

DEFENSE vs NOTRUMP	
VS:	
2 ♣	
2 ♦	
2 ♥	
2 ♠	
Dbl:	
Other	

D.O.N.T.

Your Right-Hand Opponent opens a 15-17 NT. You bid with **8+ playing points and “shape”**:

2♣ ♣s + a higher suit – at least 5/4 or 4/5

2♦ ♦s + a higher suit – at least 5/4 or 4/5

2♥ ♥s & ♠s – at least 5/4 or 4/5

2♠ ♠s normally 6+ weaker than a X then 2♠

X long suit 6+

2NT ♣s + ♦s – at least 5/5

ALL BIDS ARE ALERTABLE

D.O.N.T. responses

What do you respond?

Your partner bid 2♣ - you pass if you have ♣s or bid 2♦

Your partner bid 2♦ - you pass if you have ♦s or bid 2♥

Your partner bid 2♥ - you pass if you have ♥s or bid 2♠

Your partner bid 2♠ - you pass

Your partner bid X – you bid 2♣

Your partner bid 2NT – you bid your best minor

D.O.N.T.

You double with a single suit (6+), partner is expected to bid 2♣ which is a pass or correct relay. Partner may skip 2♣ to bid a strong 6-card suit of his own

Partner responds as follows:

2♣ You pass or correct

2♦ 6+♦, non forcing

2♥ 6+♥, non forcing

2♠ 6+♠, non forcing

D.O.N.T. Example A

1. ♠T52 ♥KJT943 ♦AJ3 ♣5

X, with the intention of bidding 2♥ at your next turn

2. ♠QJT932 ♥AT86 ♦75 ♣8

2♠ showing a weakish hand

3. ♠KT7672 ♥2 ♦KT654 ♣5

2♦ ("6/5 come alive!")

D.O.N.T. Example B

Partner: ♠87 ♥JT5 ♦A2 ♣AJT752
You: ♠T432 ♥KQ6 ♦853 ♣Q76

LHO	Partner	RHO	You
1NT	X (1)	P	2♣ (2)
P	P (3)		

(1) Showing a single suit

(2) Dutifully completing the relay to 2♣

(3) I've got clubs

D.O.N.T. Example C

Partner: ♠KQ5 ♥T ♦AKT632 ♣982
You: ♠T432 ♥AQ976 ♦8 ♣Q76

LHO	Partner	RHO	You
1NT	X (1)	P	2♣ (2)
P	2♦ (3)	P	P

- (1) Showing a single suit
- (2) Completing the relay to 2♣
- (3) Correcting to his suit

D.O.N.T. Example D

Partner: ♠87 ♥AJT ♦94 ♣KQT852
You: ♠AQJ963 ♥432 ♦Q85 ♣9

LHO	Partner	RHO	You
1NT	X (1)	P	2♠ (2)

(1) Showing a single suit

(2) Worth bypassing the relay with a great ♠ suit

Your RHO opens 1NT, what do you bid?

1. ♠KQJ432	♥432	♦32	♣32
2. ♠AKQJ32	♥432	♦32	♣32
3. ♠KQ432	♥KQ432	♦32	♣2
4. ♠432	♥KQJT98	♦A2	♣32
5. ♠432	♥A2	♦KQJT98	♣32
6. ♠432	♥A2	♦32	♣KQJT98
7. ♠4	♥32	♦KQJT9	♣KQJT9
8. ♠432	♥A32	♦K32	♣Q432

Next Thursday, July 16

Unusual 2NT and Michaels