

## Common Bridge Acronyms

1. **ACBL** American Contract Bridge League a governing body for organized bridge in America.
2. **DEPO** Double Even Pass Odd, a method for showing aces (or key cards) after interference over Blackwood (or key-card Blackwood).
3. **DOPE** Double Odd Pass Even, a method for showing aces (or key cards) after interference over Blackwood (or key-card Blackwood).
4. **DOPI** Double 0 Pass 1, a method for showing aces (or key cards) after interference over Blackwood (or key-card Blackwood).
5. **HCP** Common abbreviation for high-card points; 4-3-2-1-points for A, K, Q & J, resp.
6. **GNT** Grand National Teams, a bridge team championship qualifying tournament which is held by District 12 with winners moving on to a national tournament
7. **IMPs** Bridge scored by International Match Points.
8. **Kos** A form of tournament in which the winners of matches progress to the next round
9. **LHO** Left-hand opponent; the player to one's left
10. **MPs** Match Points which is the most common form of pairs scoring or Master Points which are points awarded by ACBL or other bridge organizations for success in bridge games
11. **MUD** Middle-Up-Down; the lead of the middle card from three low cards.
12. **NAP** North American Open Pairs, a bridge championship qualifying tournament which is held by District 12 with winners moving on to a national tournament
13. **NT** No trump
14. **RHO** Right-hand opponent; the player to one's right.
15. **RKCB** Key-Card Blackwood.
16. **RONF** Raise Only Non-Force. [Usually applied as a summary of methods for responding to a weak two-bid.]
17. **SAYC** Standard American Yellow Card, the system defined by the current set of listings on a form of convention card identified by its color.
18. **STAC** Sectional Tournaments at Clubs which provide bridge players with the opportunity to win Silver Points at their local clubs.
19. **VP** Victory points.
20. **99er** A bridge game where all players must have fewer than 100 master points.
21. **199er** A bridge game where all players must have fewer than 200 master points.
22. **299er** A bridge game where all players must have fewer than 200 master points.

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