

## DONT

### Disturbing Opponents' No Trump

#### Overview:

- should only be used over a strong NT. Occasionally will be used over 2NT
- bids are alertable
- hand shape rather than points is important, but it is advisable to have most points in the suits considered particularly when vulnerable
- if vulnerable, assure a 5-5 distribution. If NV, 5-4 is OK. Hand should be somewhat stronger if VUL
- many pairs use only in direct seat. Beneficial to have NT bidder on right side of declarer so leads come through NT bidder to declarer

#### Bidding:

Opponent	Overcaller	Meaning
1 NT	dbl	one-suited hand with at least 6 cards in that suit
	2♣	clubs + higher-ranking suit
	2♦	diamonds + higher-ranking suit
	2♥	both majors, no preference
	2♠	natural – at least 6 spades. Generally weaker than double and 2 spade rebid

#### Responding:

1. to dbl: a. bid 2♣ a puppet bid asking for partner's suit  
b. bid good 6-card suit of own  
c. (rarely) leave pass in – have 15 points and balanced hand so that opponents (VUL) will lose more than a partscore would make
2. to 2♣ bid: a. with some club support and not much, pass  
b. make relay bid of 2♦ asking for second suit  
c. bid own good suit  
d. bid 3♣ to continue the disturbing aspect
3. similar options for 3♦bid
4. to 2♥ bid: a. pass with heart preference  
b. bid spades if preferred  
c. bid 6-card minor suit (O/C should pass)  
d. (rare) bid 2NT for further clarification of O/C bidder's hand. Done with 15+ points and thoughts of game  
e. continue disturbing by raising bid to 3 – not forcing