

## After The Opener Rebids 1NT

When your partner rebids bids 1 NT, he shows a balanced hand with 12 to 14 points (with 15, he would have opened the bidding with 1 NT). If you have 6 to 10 points, you should rule out a game. The following bids are available to you:

- Pass if 1 NT is an agreeable contract
- Bid Partner's suit at the two-level
- Re-bid your own suit at the two-level
- Bid a new suit at the two-level that ranks lower than your first suit

### Examples of Weak Bids

<p><b>1.</b></p> <p>♠ 10 7 6 ♥ K 10 8 5 3 ♦ A 5 ♣ 4 3 2</p>	<p>Partner</p> <p>1♦ 1 NT</p>	<p>You</p> <p>1♥ ?</p>	<p>Pass. Your balanced hand suggests that 1 NT will make the best contract.</p>
<p><b>2.</b></p> <p>♠ 7 ♥ A Q 6 3 ♦ Q 9 8 2 ♣ 10 4 3 2</p>	<p>Partner</p> <p>1♦ 1 NT</p>	<p>You</p> <p>1♥ ?</p>	<p>With four diamonds and a singleton spade, 2♦ is the appealing contract.</p>
<p><b>3.</b></p> <p>♠ J 10 8 7 5 2 ♥ 8 4 ♦ 9 3 ♣ A 6 2</p>	<p>Partner</p> <p>1♣ 1 NT</p>	<p>You</p> <p>1♠ ?</p>	<p>Bid 2♠. Partner has shown a balanced hand and must surely hold at least two spades. You have an eight-card fit in spades.</p>
<p><b>4.</b></p> <p>♠ 7 ♥ Q 9 8 4 2 ♦ K J 6 3 2 ♣ 10 7</p>	<p>Partner</p> <p>1♣ 1 NT</p>	<p>You</p> <p>1♥ ?</p>	<p>Bid 2♦ (non-forcing). This shows five hearts and at least four diamonds. Partner can pass or bid 2♥.</p>
<p><b>5.</b></p> <p>♠ A J 6 4 3 ♥ K 10 8 6 ♦ 10 8 7 ♣ 5</p>	<p>Partner</p> <p>1♣ 1 NT</p>	<p>You</p> <p>1♠ ?</p>	<p>Bid 2♥ (non-forcing). This shows five spades and at least four hearts with less than ten points.</p>

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### Raising the No-trump Bid

<b>6.</b> ♠ 7 3 ♥ K Q 10 8 ♦ 10 8 7 ♣ A Q 9 5	Partner 1♦ 1 NT	You 1♥ ?	Bid 2NT, invitational. This shows 11 or 12 points. With 14 points, partner should bid 3NT. With less, he should pass.
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<b>7.</b> ♠ Q 3 ♥ K Q 10 8 ♦ 10 9 5 ♣ A Q 9 5	Partner 1♦ 1 NT	You 1♥ ?	Bid 3NT. You have an opening hand. You want to be in game.
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### Forcing Bids

There are two ways for responder to make a forcing bid after opener rebids 1NT.

- A reverse bid, forcing to game
- A jump shift, forcing to game

<b>8.</b> ♠ A K 8 5 ♥ K J 7 5 2 ♦ K 10 2 ♣ 3	Partner 1♦ 1 NT	You 1♥ ?	Bid 2♠. This is a reverse bid, showing at least five hearts and four spades. A reverse bid by responder is forcing to game. Partner will choose between 3NT, four hearts or four spades.
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<b>9.</b> ♠ A Q J 6 2 ♥ A Q J 7 ♦ 9 4 3 ♣ 5	Partner 1♦ 1 NT	You 1♠ ?	Bid 3♥. This bid shows at least five spades and four hearts. Partner will choose between 3NT, four hearts or four spades.
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<b>10.</b> ♠ A Q J 9 2 ♥ A Q J 8 5 ♦ 7 ♣ 8 7	Partner 1♦ 1 NT	You 1♠ ?	Bid 4♥. This bid shows at least five spades and five hearts. Partner can pass or correct to 4♠. If you had bid only 3♥, Partner would know that you had a five-card heart suit.
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