

Convention Card for Staffan Hed – Tommy Andersson

Symmetric Relay Pass

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Opening bids:

Pass =	0-7/17+
1♣ =	12-16, any distribution/15-17NT (may be 4441)
1♦ =	8-11p, either Bal or 4M with 4+m OR 5+5+ms
1♥/♠ =	8-11p, 5+M.
1NT =	12-14p, Bal (may be semibal or 4441)
2♣/♦ =	8-11p, 5+m, unbalanced, denies 4card major
2♥ =	8-11p, 5+5+ Ms,
2♠ =	0-7p, 5+♠
2NT =	9-11p, bal or semibal, denies 4card major (rarely used)
3♣/♦ =	0-7, pre-empt, decent suit such as KJT 7 th
3♥/♠ =	0-7, pre-empt, 6+
4♣/♦ =	S.A.T
4♥/♠ =	pre-empt.

Notes: When the partner has passed and opponents open, all bids assume partner has the 0-7 hand. That gives a lot of room for pre-emptive bids as they are forcing if the opening hand has 17+ but otherwise just for passing. That gives the bids after opponents opening a range somewhere 2-16p depending on vulnerability and hand type.

After partner has passed, the opening bids are such as below:

1♣ =	0-7/17+
1♦ =	8-16p, either Bal 8-14 or 4M with 4+m OR 5+5+ms
1♥/♠ =	8-16p, 5+M
1NT =	15-17p, Bal (may be semibal or 4441)
2♣/♦ =	8-16p, 5+m, unbalanced, denies 4card major
2♥ =	8-16p, 5+5+ Ms
2♠ =	0-7p, 5+♠

If the pass opener has a strong hand, he bids the relay bid as if the responder opened the bidding.

After partner has opened 1♣, responder bids as below:

1♦ = 0-7/12+
1♥/♠ = 8-11, 5+M
INT = 8-11, somewhat balanced
2♣/♦ = 8-11, 5+m. 2♦ denies 4M, 2♣ may have 4♠
2♥ = 8-11, 4♥, 5+m
2♠ = 8-11, 4♠, 5+♦
2NT = 8-11, 5+5+Ms

After the bidding 1♣-1♦, opener re-opens using the same bids as the responder did, although all bids show 12-16 except INT that shows 15-17. If responder has 12+, he uses the same relay bid as the opening bid.

After opening 1♦:

1♥ = nat/16+any
1♠ = 4+♠, 8-15
INT = 8-14 bal
2♣/♦ = game try, opener may pass although it's not recommended
2♥/♠ = to play
2NT = 15-16bal, may have 4M

After opening 1♥/♠:

INT = 8-14
2♣ = GF relay
2any = game try
2♠ = 6-12, normally 3card supp.
2NT = jacoby 2NT strong invitational for game
3♣/♦ = Bergen raises

After opening 2♣, 2♦ is GF relay and other bids invitational for game,

After opening 2♦:

2♥ = GF relay
2NT = 5+♥, Forcing 1 round.

After opening 2♥, major is to play and 2NT GF relay.