

Response Table for 1-Spade Opening


<i>Responses to 1 Spade Opening Bid (opener holds 5+spades and 12-21 HCPs)</i>																					
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bids																			
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21-24	25-28		
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Medium			Jump-Shift			Max						
#1 Support Spades <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>	3-spades	Pass	2 ♠ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			3 ♠ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			4 ♠ (use Dist Pts)			3 NT <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			4 ♣ Gerber <small>(ask for Aces)</small>						
	4+spades		4 ♠ * (use Dist Pts)			2 NT (Jacoby) <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>															
	5+spades *		1 NT			2 ♥			3 ♥												
#2 Propose Hearts	4+hearts	Pass	1 NT			2 ♣ or 2 ♦			3 ♣ or 3 ♦												
#3 Propose Better Minor	4+cards Better Minor	Pass	1 NT			2 ♣ or 2 ♦			3 ♣ or 3 ♦												
Combined Partnership Points <small>(assume opener has only 12 HCPs)</small>		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33-36	37-40			
		Partial Score						Game Major-NT			Game Major-NT-Minor			Slam	Grand Slam						

Hierarchy Response Tables for 1-Spade Opening

Opening bid: **1♠** Response Priority #1a

Responses to Support Spades


(responder has 3+Spades)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠ 13-16 pts	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠ 10-12 pts	3 NT 17-20 pts
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠ 6-9 pts	2 NT 13-16 pts
				1♠ 1 NT

Opening bid: **1♠** Response Priority #1b

Responses to Propose Other Major

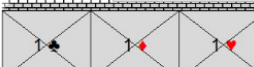
(responder has 4+Hearts)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥ 17-20 HCPs	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥ 10-16 HCPs	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
				1♠ 1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Opening bid: **1♠** Response Priority #3

Responses to Propose Better Minor

(responder has 4+card Minor)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣ 17-20 HCPs	3♦ 17-20 HCPs	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣ 10-16 HCPs	2♦ 10-16 HCPs	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
				1♠ 1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Response Table for 1-Heart Opening

<i>Responses to 1 Heart Opening Bid (opener holds 5+hearts and 12-21 HCPs)</i>																																																					
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bids																																																			
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21-24	25-28																																		
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Medium			Jump-Shift			Max																																						
#1 Support Hearts <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>	3-hearts	Pass	2♥ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			3♥ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			4♥ (use Dist Pts)			3 NT <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			4♣ Gerber <small>(ask for Aces)</small>																																						
	4+hearts		4♥* (use Dist Pts)			2 NT (Jacoby) <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>																																															
	5+hearts *		1♠						2♠																																												
#2 Propose Spades	4+spades	Pass	1 NT			2♣ or 2♦			3♣ or 3♦																																												
#3 Propose Better Minor	4+cards Better Minor	Pass	18			19			20			21			22			23			24			25			26			27			28			29			30			31			32			33-36			37-40		
Combined Partnership Points <small>(assume opener has only 12 HCPs)</small>		Pass	Partial Score						Game Major-NT						Game Major-NT-Minor						Slam			Grand Slam																													

Hierarchy Response Tables for 1-Heart Opening

Opening bid: 1♥ Response Priority #1a				
Responses to Support Hearts (responder has 3+Hearts)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥ 13-16 pts	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥ 10-12 pts	3♠	3 NT 17-20 pts
2♣	2♦	2♥ 6-9 pts	2♠	2 NT 13-16 pts
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT

Opening bid: 1♥ Response Priority #1b				
Responses to Propose Other Major (responder has 4+Spades)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠ 17-20 HCPs	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠ 6-16 HCPs	1 NT

Opening bid: 1♥ Response Priority #3				
Responses to Propose Better Minor (responder has 4+card Minor)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣ 17-20 HCPs	3♦ 17-20 HCPs	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣ 10-16 HCPs	2♦ 10-16 HCPs	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Response Table for 1-Diamond Opening

Responses to 1 Diamond Opening Bid <small>(opener has NO 5+card major, 12-21 HCPs and 3+diamonds)</small>																					
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bids																			
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21-24	25-28		
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Medium			Jump-Shift			Max						
#1 Propose Major Suit	Better 4+card major	Pass							1♥ or 1♠						2♥ or 2♠						4♣ Gerber (ask for Aces)
#2 Propose NT	(3-3-4-3)								1 NT						3 NT						
#3 Support Diamonds	5+diamonds		2♦ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			3♦ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			2 NT <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			5♦ / 3 NT <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>									
#3 Propose Clubs	4+clubs		1 NT			2♣						3♣									
Combined Partnership Points <small>(assume opener has only 12 HCPs)</small>																					
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33-36	37-40			
		Partial Score						Game Major-NT			Game Major-NT-Minor			Slam		Grand Slam					

Hierarchy Response Tables for 1-Diamond Opening

Opening bid: 1♦ Response Priority #1

Responses to Propose Better Major
(responder has 4+Major)

7♣	7♠	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♠	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♠	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♠	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♠	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♠	2♥ 17-20 HCPs	2♠ 17-20 HCPs	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
X	1♦	1♥ 6-16 HCPs	2♠ 6-16 HCPs	1 NT

Opening bid: 1♦ Response Priority #2

Responses to Propose No Trump
(responder has 3-3-4-3)

7♣	7♠	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♠	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♠	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♠	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♠	3♥	3♠	3 NT 17-20 HCPs
2♣	2♠	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
X	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT 6-16 HCPs

Opening bid: 1♦ Response Priority #3

Responses to Support Diamonds
(responder has 5+Diamonds)

7♣	7♠	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♠	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦ 17-20 pts	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	X	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦ 10-12 pts	3♥	3♠	3 NT 17-20 pts
2♣	2♦ 6-9 pts	2♥	2♠	2 NT 13-16 pts
X	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT

Opening bid: 1♦ Response Priority #3

Responses to Propose Clubs
(responder has 4+Clubs)

7♣	7♠	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♠	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♠	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♠	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣ 17-20 HCPs	3♠	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣ 10-16 HCPs	2♠	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
X	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Response Table for 1-Club Opening

<i>Responses to 1 Club Opening Bid (opener has NO 5+card major, 12-21 HCPs and 3+clubs)</i>																				
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bid																		
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21-24	25-28	
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Medium			Jump-Shift			Max					
#1 Propose Major Suit	Better 4+card major	Pass	1♥ or 1♠						2♥ or 2♠						4♣ Gerber (ask for Aces)					
#2 Propose NT	(3-3-3-4)		1 NT						3 NT											
#3 Support Clubs	5+clubs		2♣ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>	3♣ <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>	2 NT <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>			5♣ / 3 NT <small>(use Dist Pts)</small>												
#3 Propose Diamonds	4+diamonds		1♦						2♦											
Combined Partnership Points <small>(assume opener has only 12 HCPs)</small>			18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33-36	37-40	
			Partial Score						Game Major-NT			Game Major-NT-Minor			Slam	Grand Slam				

Hierarchy Response Tables for 1-Club Opening

Opening bid: 1♣ Response Priority #1				
Responses to Propose Better Major (responder has 4+Major)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥ 17-20 HCPs	2♠ 17-20 HCPs	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦	1♥ 6-16 HCPs	1♠ 6-16 HCPs	1 NT

Opening bid: 1♣ Response Priority #2				
Responses to Propose No Trump (responder has 3-3-3-4)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT 17-20 HCPs
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT 6-16 HCPs

Opening bid: 1♣ Response Priority #3				
Responses to Support Clubs (responder has 5+Clubs)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣ 17-20 Pts	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣ 10-12 Pts	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT 17-20 Pts
2♣ 6-9 Pts	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT 13-16 Pts
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT

Opening bid: 1♣ Response Priority #3				
Responses to Propose Diamonds (responder has 4+Diamonds)				
7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦ 17-20 HCPs	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦ 6-16 HCPs	1♥	1♠	1 NT