

HANDOUT SEMINAR 2

TRANSFERS – AN ALERTABLE BID

Opener bids 1NT

Responder bids:

2D – I hold at least 5 Hs, bid Hs

1NT – 2D (TRANSFER) – rebid 2H

No idea whether p weak or strong

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Open 1NT

2H – I hold at least 5 Ss, bid Ss

1NT – 2H (transfer to S) – 2S

No idea whether p is weak or strong

I have effected a transfer, now what?

1.

Weakness takeout – responder will pass.

Eg. 1NT – 2D (transfer) – 2H – Pass

2.

Invitational in suit

Eg. 1NT – 2D (transfer) – 2H – 3H

I hold 6 Hs, I have 11/12 pts. If you are max, bid game.

3.

Invitational in suit or NTs

Eg. 1NT – 2D (transfer) – 2H – 2NT

I hold 5Hs only, I have 11/12 pts. Choose if you want Hs or NTs and the level we are to play at.

Eg. 1NT – 2D – 2H – 2NT – 3H = I am minimal, I have 3+ Hs, signing off in 3Hs.

Eg. 1NT – 2D – 2H – 2NT – Pass = You have struck my doubleton, I am minimum, I choose NT

Eg. 1NT – 2D – 2H – 2NT – 4H = I have 3+ Hs, I am max, I am going to game in the suit.

EG. 1NT – 2D – 2H – 2NT – 3NT = You have struck my doubleton, I am maximum, I am going to game in NT

4.

Bid to game in transfer suit (If you know ... go!)

Eg. 1NT – 2D (transfer) – 2H – 4H

I hold 6 Hs and we have game points.

5. Bid to game, giving option of NTs

Eg. 1NT – 2D (transfer) – 2H – 3NT

I hold 5Hs and game points. Pick NTs or suit.