

Opener's Non-Forcing Rebids

As important as knowing which Opener rebids are forcing, equally so is recognizing non-forcing rebids after one of a suit opening.

Non-Forcing Rebids By Opener

Minimum Rebids 12-14 Points:

- Rebid 1NT
- Rebid of 1st suit (shows 6+ cards unless no better bid)
- Raise Responder's suit
- Rebid 2NT after a 2/1 bid by Responder

Invitational Value Rebids 16+ Points:

- Jump rebid in 1st suit (16-18)
- Jump rebid in Responder's suit (16-18)
- Raise or jump to 2NT (18-19)

Wide Range Rebids (12-18)

- New 2nd suit, lower ranking than 1st suit
- Any rebid after Responder initially passes

Examples:

Minimum 12-14

1♥ - P - 1♠ - P
1NT

1♦ - P - 1♠ - P
2♦

1♥ - P - 1♠ - P
2♠

1♠ - P - 2♦ - P
2NT

1♦ - P - 1NT - P
2♣

Invitational 16+

1♦ - P - 1♥ - P
3♥

1♦ - 1♥ - X - P
2♠

1♥ - P - 1♠ - P
3♥

1♥ - P - 1♠ - P
2NT

Wide Range (12-18)

1♦ - P - 1♠ - P
2♣

1♦ - P - P - 1♠
2♦

1♦ - P - 1♥ - P
1♠

1♠ - P - 2♣ - P
2♦

Quiz 20

You are the dealer and have made an opening bid (shown); your partner has responded. Fill in the blank with your bid.

	Bidding	Your Hand		Bidding	Your Hand
1.	1♦ – P – 1♥ – P —	♠ 83 ♥ Q6 ♦ AK7632 ♣ AT3	2.	1♥ – P – 1♠ – P —	♠ 4 ♥ KT743 ♦ AT2 ♣ AQ83
3.	1♠ – P – 1NT – P —	♠ KJT94 ♥ AT ♦ KQ4 ♣ A32	4.	1♦ – P – 1♥ – P —	♠ AKQ ♥ 9765 ♦ AQJT ♣ Q7
5.	1♣ – P – P – 1♠ —	♠ JT94 ♥ 32 ♦ AQ ♣ AQT43	6.	1♦ – P – 1♠ – P —	♠ 8 ♥ QJT8 ♦ AQ876 ♣ KJ9