PREEMPTS

• First – Opening 1 Bids (Too good to Preempt)

6-card suit with 11+ hcp: Adding 2 length points = 13.

7-card suit with 10+ hcp: Adding 3 length points = 13.

8-card suit with 9+ hcp: Adding 4 length points = 13.

• Weak 2 Bid: Decent 6-card suit & 5-10 hcp.

2D, 2H, 2S - Not 2C, as this is the artificial Strong 2 Bid.

Responder (Partner to Weak 2 bidder):

18 hcp: Bid Game with 2 or more Trumps (if Diamonds, bid 3NT).

14-17 hcp: Bid <u>2NT-Invites Game</u>-Asks for a Side Feature (A or K):

Rule of 17: Add your hcp to # of trumps you have for partner. If 17, then bid 2NT to Invite game. Weak 2-bidder bids a Feature only if he has a Max hand (8-10hcp). Otherwise, he rebids 3 of his suit.

Raise to 3-level: Is Preemptive, Not Invitational.

- Weak 3 Bid: Decent 7-card suit & 5-9 hcp.
- Weak 4 Bid: Decent 8-card suit & 5-8 hcp.
- **Decent Suit:** 2 of Top 4 Honors. 10's & 9's improve it.
- Poor Suits: 6 cards—pass. 7 cards—open 2 bid. 8 cards—open 3 bid.
- **Change of Suit:** By Responding Partner is <u>Forcing</u> One Round.
- Sacrificing: If you have 10 total trumps & 3-8 hcp, raise partner to

10-trick level as an advance sacrifice against the opponents' game. If 11 trumps, raise to 11-trick level. But, don't do it vulnerable vs. non-vulnerable.
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