



The responder's 2nd bid after an overcall in a major, a Sputnik and 1NT rebid by the opener.

Analyze the hand of the 1 • opener that rebid 1NT after a 1 • overcall : He has a regular 1st zone hand (12-14HCP), with :

- 4 or 5 cards in (opening of his best minor)
- Not 4 cards in ♥, otherwise, he would have shown support after his partner's Sputnik
- Not necessarily a stopper in the overcalled suit (1NT could have been the only possible bid with 2 or 3 small cards in ♠....).

Now, all you have to do is draw the logical conclusions...depending on your hand !



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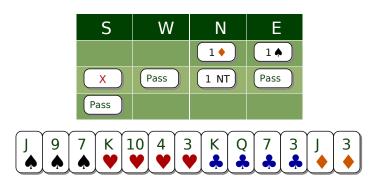
The opener's rebid at 1NT does not guarantee a stopper in the overcalled suit. It may well be the only possible rebid.





With a hand of 10HCP or less : there is no hope for game

- Without support or a 5 cards suit : PASS. Even if the opps start by cashing in 5 tricks in the overcalled suit, you can still get 7 tricks !
- With a 5 cards suit, bid it : The contract will probably be easier to play than 1NT especially if you don't have a stopper in the overcalled suit.
- Without a stopper in the overcalled suit and 4 cards in the opener's suit : show support.
- After your Sputnik double, bidding a new suit at level 2 promises at least 5 cards and less than 11HCP (otherwise you would have bid it in the first round) : It is a stop.



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Pass with that uninspiring 10HCP regular hand.



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2 • Minimum opening, No • stopper: You must show support in •.

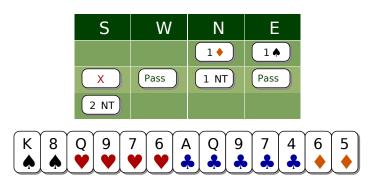
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With a 10 - 11HCP hand : game is possible !

- With 11HCP and a stopper in the overcalled suit : 2NT game invite for 3NT
- With a good support, Invite to game with a jump support



Problème E5428

2NT With that regular, 11HCP hand and a \blacklozenge stopper. Invite to game.

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With a 12+HCP hand, Impose game!

- With a stopper in the overcalled suit : 3NT
- Without a stopper : cue bid to verify



Problème E5430

3NT Without a possible fit, impose game at 3NT.

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