

# Unusual Versus Unusual

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This is the defense used when opponents make a two-suited bid in direct seat over partner's opening.

## Over Unusual

which shows either the minors or two-lower-unbid suits

W	N	E	S	
1♠	2NT	3♠		to play, strength varies between 7 and 10 points depending on support & shape
		3♣		forcing hand, 10+, with 5+ hearts
		3♦		forcing hand, 10+, with spade support
		Dbl		East can double one of their suits-give him a chance to do so. After direct double, a double from either is for penalty.
		Pass		Values in opponent's suits not useful to partner and not enough to double not a good fit with partner.

Partner is likely to get a bad split so go cautiously with three-card support.

W	N	E	S	
1♠	2NT	P	3♦	
P	P	Dbl		takeout (one must double 2NT for this double to be penalty)
		3♠		doesn't really exist (bid 3♠ right away)

## Over Top/Other

W	N	E	S
1♠	2♠	3♠	to play, strength varies between 7 and 10 points depending on support & shape
		3♣,3♦	forcing hand, 10+, with clubs or diamonds
		3♥	forcing hand, 10+, with spade support
		Dbl	East can double one of their suits-give him a chance to do so. After direct double, a double from either partner is for penalty.
		Pass	Values in opponent's suits not useful to partner and not enough to double not a good fit with partner.

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