

1 and 1 Responses

Major suit positive responses show a five-card or longer suit and are forcing to game.

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| 1♠ | Alpha |
| 1NT | Beta |
| 2♣ 2♦ | Alpha |
| 2♥ | Gamma* |
| 2♠ | Delta |
| 2NT | <i>Undefined</i> |
| 3♣ 3♦ | Delta |

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| 1NT | Beta |
| 2♣ 2♦ 2♥ | Alpha |
| 2♠ | Gamma* |
| 2NT | <i>Undefined</i> |
| Jump shift | Delta |

Use 1NT Beta with a balanced hand or any hand with a fit for responder's major. 1NT Beta followed by Gamma and Epsilon is one of our best sequences. 1NT Beta followed by 2NT shows nothing extra, cancels the asking sequence, and allows responder to show distribution.

* Direct Gamma over a major suit positive is used only when opener has a reason not to use 1NT Beta, such as a side void.