Wolff Sign Off (WSO) is a conventional agreement after 1 minor -1 Major -2NT which lets you explore a Major fit, NT, or even a minor suit slam.

- 1. After 1 minor -1 Major -2NT:
  - a. 3C relays to 3D
  - b. 3D asks for opener's Major configuration
  - c. 3 first Major shows 6 and is game forcing and slam invitational
  - d. 3 other Major shows 5 in that Major and correspondingly 5 or 6 in the first bid Major and is game forcing
- 2. After 1 minor -1 Major -2NT 3C 3D:
  - a. Pass is to play in diamonds
  - b. 3 of first Major is to play
  - c. 3 of other Major is a slam try in the other minor
  - d. 3NT is a slam try in opener's minor.
- 3. After 1 minor 1 Major 2NT 3D:
  - a. Opener shows his Major configuration:
    - i. With 4 of the other Major, she bids it first
    - ii. With 3 of the first bid Major, she supports that Major
    - iii. Otherwise, she bids 3NT
- 4. 1 minor 1 Major 2NT 3 Major: Shows 6+ of the Major and is slam invitational.
- 5. 1 minor 1 Major 2NT 3 other Major shows 5 of the other Major. If the first Major is hearts, then 3S shows 5 spades and 6+ hearts. If the first Major is spades, then 3H shows 5 hearts and 5+ spades.

Why use Wolff Sign Off? It was invented (by Bobby Wolff) to allow responder to get out in 3 of her original Major if responder is very weak and has a 5 or 6 card suit. It has been since expanded to allow responder to search for the best game and to explore slam possibilities.

## **Examples:**

## **Responder hands:**

```
KJxxx 1D-1S-
                   KJxxx 1D - 1S - KJxxxx 1D - 1S -
                                                        Kx
                                                                 1C - 1H
                                             2N-3C-KOJxxx 2NT-3H
Kxx
        2N - 3D
                   Kxxx = 2N - 3D
                                     XX
                                             3D - 3S
      asks if opener x asks if opener xxx
                                                         Kx shows 6+ hts
\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}
      has 3 spades Jxx has 4 hts
                                             to play
                                                         XXX
                                                                slam invite
XXX
                                     XX
                        or 3 sps
```

## **Opener hands:**

```
KQx
       1D - 1S -
                    KQx 1D - 1S -
                                      Kx
                                               1D - 1S - Kxx 	 1D - 1S -
       2NT - 3D - KOJx 2N - 3D - KOJx
                                               2N - 3C - AOJx 2N - 3S -
\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}
KOTx 3S shows
                    ATxx 3H shows ATxx
                                               3D - 3S
                                                          ATxx 4C cue bid
KJxx exactly 3 sps Kx
                           4 hearts
                                      KOx
                                                to play.
                                                          \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}
                                                                 in support
                                                                 of spades
```