


DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING		LEADS AND SIGNALS			WBF Convention Card		
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 level; Reopening)		OPENING LEADS STYLE			NCBO Logo & Coloured Sticker:		
5+ cards at 1-level; usually 6 at 2-level; may be up to 19 HCP			Lead	In Partner's Suit			
RESP: 1M=F; 2any CONSTRUCTIVE NF; jumps FIT; cue support F1;		Suit	4 <sup>th</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> , MUD	Same except if raised ATT			
Jump cue: 3-level mixed raise; 4-level SPL; Jump raise PRE		NT	4 <sup>th</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> , top of nothing	3 <sup>RD</sup> /LOW			
2NT over 1M 4 card limit+ raise; RDBL of NEG DBL Ax or Kx support		Subseq	ATT in new suit		CATEGORY: 3		
(1x) – P – (1y) – 2y NAT		Other: STD REMAINDER COUNT when continue a suit with a low card				NCBO: Scotland	EVENTS: Lady Milne 2015
Re-opening similar but K lighter		A/Q asks for REV ATT;K for Unblock v. NT else REV Count				PLAYERS: Sam <u>Punch</u> Paula <u>Leslie</u>	
1NT OVERCALL (2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)		LEADS				SYSTEM SUMMARY	
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Good 15-18; RESP as 1NT opener; 4 <sup>th</sup> LIVE 16-19 RESP NAT		Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE		
In Competition same as 1NT opener (RUB; DBL T/O)		Ace	AKx(+),AQx(+),Ax(+); ATT	AKx(+); ATT	5-card majors; short 1♣: NAT or 11-13/17-19 BAL without 5♦/♥/♠		
Re-opening: 10-14 (PH 9-11) Responses: same as 1NT opener		King	AK(+), KQ(+); CT	STR; Unblock or Count	Response to 1M 5+ HCP, to 1♣ lighter with 4+ M		
PH 4 <sup>th</sup> LIVE shows 5-4 in lowest two unbid suits (includes ♣ if 1♣		Queen	QJ(+); ATT	KQ9(+), QJ9(+); ATT	Transfer responses to 1♣ (1♦=4+♥; 1♥=4+♠, 1♠=4+♦)		
Opened which may be short)		Jack	KJ10(+), J10(+);	J109, J10(+), KJ10,AJ10(+),	Pre-empts wide ranging except in 2 <sup>nd</sup> VUL		
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Reopen)		10	(K/Q)109(+),109(+)	(A/K/Q)109(+),109(+)	Wide range overcalls (strongish at 2-level); X frequently not PEN		
WK, wide NV(5+ cds) RESP NAT NF, fit jumps, X PEN except 2D NV		9	98x or 9x	98x, 9xx or 9x	1NT Opening:14-16 BAL may have 5M or 6m		
UNT (Constructive 55+) lowest 2 unbid suits		Hi-x	xSxx, xSxxx, Sx	xSxx, xSxxx, Sx, Sxx	2 OVER 1 Response: F to 2 of opener's suit		
RESP: all jumps PRE; new suit NAT NF		Lo-x	HxxS, xSx, HxxSx(+)	HxxS, HxxSx(+)	SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE		
Reopen: INTERMEDIATE 6+ cards; 2NT NAT 19-21 RESP as open		SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			Transfer responses to 1♣ (including after 1♦/1♥ overcall: dbl = next suit)		
DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)			Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding	1♣ may be 2-card suit only if BAL outside NT range without 5♦/♥/♠	
(1m)–2m: 55+ in M; (1m)-3m: asks for 3NT with stop (no FP)		Suit	1 Lo = EVEN	Lo = EVEN	Lo = ENC		
(1♥)–2♥: 55+ in ♠+♦;(1♠)-2♠:55+ in ♥+♦			2 Suit Preference	Suit Preference	Lo = EVEN		
RESP: all jumps PRE; DBL PEN; RDBL shows no preference			3		S/P		
(1M)-3M asks for 3NT with stop (no FP)		NT	1 Lo = EVEN	"SMITH SIGNAL"	Lo = ENC		
VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)			2 Suit Preference	Lo = EVEN	Lo = EVEN		
V Weak NT: X PEN; 2♣ =♠+ other; 2♦ =♦+M; 2♥ =majors; 2♠=NAT, 3m wide, 3M WK,			3	Suit Preference	Suit Preference		
(1NT)-2♣-(P) 2♦ POC; (1NT)-2♦-(P) 2♥ POC		Signals (including Trumps):					
X of 1NT by passed hand = single suited		SMITH v NT: PETER BY EITHER HAND ENC LEAD;					
V Strong: as above but X = single suited		STD REMAINDER COUNT; S/P IN TRUMPS AND WHERE OBVIOUS					
X of STAY or JTB after weak NT= 16+ HCP; X shows suit by PH		Doubles					
May compete over 1NT very light love all							
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)		TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)				2NT jump overcall UNT lowest 2 unbid suits	
X t/o LEB FAST;(3m)-4m FG majors; (4m)-4NT NAT; 3NT NAT		11+ HCP Shape-suitable or STR (19+ or equivalent); K less by reopener				2NT in competition LEB, SCRAMBLING or GOOD RAISE	
4M-4NT any 2 suits; (2M) – 4m FG 55+ in OM and suit bid		Responses: cue forcing to suit agreement; jumps 8-11, 1NT 6-10				FIT-SHOWING BIDS IN COMPETITION	
(2/3x) – P – (2/3NT) – DBL = T/O;							
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS						SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
		SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES				1M – (DBL) – RDBL Forcing to 2x;	
		Most X T/O before fit found. Second double is frequently value showing.				1x – (2x 2-suiter) – x now FP after non-jump bids by 4 <sup>th</sup> hand only	
		In penalty FP auctions, DBL as the first action is PEN.				Higher-level P only F if we have clearly GF from strength (V or NV)	
		Support doubles below 2 of partner's Major suit				IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE	
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE		X of suit we have bid or implied is PEN except 1♣-(2♣)-x is T/O.					
1m-DBL: RDBL/1suit=transfers to next suit up; 2-level jumps FIT		After 2♦ (Bid to 3C) X is T/o if we are NV, PEN if we are VUL					
1M-DBL-RDBL STR 9+ now P F2x;1M-x-1NT to [2M-1] transfers		(PRE)-DBL-(NEW SUIT)-DBL = T/O; (PRE)-P/X-(3NT)-X T/O					
1M-X-P later X by responder BAL T/O:NO INVERTED MINORS						PSYCHICS: Rare	

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. No. OF CARDS	NEG. DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	✓	2	4♠	NAT or BAL <5♦ min opening generally 9+ HCP/6-card suit (11+ if BAL)	1♦=4+♥; 1♥=4+♠; 1♠=4+♦ WJS (3-8 HCP, 6 or 7 cards) 2NT 0-6 5+♣ INVERTED MINOR RAISES (3♣ 6-10 5+♠) 1NT 6-11 WITH 4/5♣; 3x NAT, NF; 3NT NAT 13-15	1♣-2♣-2♦=BAL or ♣/♦ now 2♥ FG(R) 2♠/3♦/3♥ SPL, 2NT/3♣ N INV 1♣-2♣-2♥/♠ NAT UNBL, 2NT=17-19BAL, 3NT 14-16 6♣, 4♣=17+ 1♣-1♦-1♥&1♣-1♥-1♠=11-13BAL,2-3M;1♣-1♦/♥-1NT=17-19BAL 1♣-1♦/♥-2NT=Raise/FG, 6+♣;1♣-1♠-1NT=11-13BAL/11-16 4414	INVERTED MINOR RAISES do not apply FIT JUMPS
1♦		4	4♠	NAT 9+ HCP (11+ if BAL) Usually 5+♦ or (44)4(1)	2♦=LIMIT; 3♣=LIMIT Raise; 3♦ PRE 2M WJS (3-8 HCP 6 or 7 cards) 2NT FG 4+♦ 3♥/3♠/4♣ SPLINTER	1♦- 2M-2NT asks shortage 1♦-2♣-2NT = FG, 17-19, maybe 6♦; 1♦-2♣-3♥/♠ SPL	FIT JUMPS 2NT = Limit raise 4+♦
1♥		5	4♠	NAT 9+ HCP (11+ if BAL) May be 4-card suit in 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>	2m NAT F2M; 1NT 5-10; 2♠ WJS 2NT+ ART with 4♥: 2NT (FG) 3♣ limit; 3♦ 6-9 3♥ PRE; 3♠ VOID any suit 3NT ♠ SPL/4m SPL 9-12 HCP	1♥-1♠-1NT=11-13 HCP, then 2♣ Puppet; 2♦ FG relay 1♥-2♣/♦-2NT = FG BAL/SEMIBAL 1♥-2m-3♥ = STRONG, GOOD SUIT 1♥-2NT: 3♣=MIN;3♦=no shortage;3♥/♠/NT= short in ♣/♦/♠	2♣=9+with 3♥;2♦ 8+ with 4♥ 2♠=SPL to 3-level, 2NT asks 3♥ = 5(332) 4-7; 3m = FIT 2NT FIT with ♠.
1♠		5	4♥	NAT 9+ HCP (11+ if BAL) May be 4-card suit in 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>	2x NAT F2M; 1NT 5-10; 3♥ NAT INV 2NT+ ART with 4♠ 2NT (FG) 3♣ limit; 3♦ 7-9 3♠ PRE; 3NT VOID any suit; 4m/♥:=SPL 8-12 HCP	1♠-2♣/♦/♥-2NT=FG BAL/SEMIBAL/6♠ 1♠-2♣/♦/♥-3♠ = STRONG 1♠-2NT: 3♣=MIN;3♦=no shortage;3♥/♠/NT= short in ♣/♦/♥	2♣=9+with 3♠;2♦ 8+ with 4♠ 2NT=SPL to 3-level, 3♣ asks 3♠ = 5(332) 4-7; 3x = FIT
1NT		2	4♥	14-16 Balanced hand (possible 6m,5M or (5m422))	2♣ STAYMAN (after 2♦ 2M NAT NF) 2R Jacoby Transfer ("JTB") 2♠ TRF to ♣, 2NT TRF to ♦ (any strength) 3x SHORTAGE in next suit; 4♣ MAJ; 4R Transfer	3♣ shape relay after 1NT-2♣-response JTB then new suit at 3-level FG; break JTB to 3M with MIN or to 2NT or HHxx suit with MAX If JTB doubled complete with 3-card support+, RDBL NAT Complete TRF to 3m with Ax/Kx/Qxx or stronger holding	
2♣	✓			FG or 22+ BAL	2♦ NEG or waiting, 2NT BAL 8+; 2♥/♠/3♣/♦ NAT FG (3m F4NT) 5+ cards	2♣-2♦-2NT, continuations as 2NT opening 2♣-2♥/♠-2NT, continuations NAT 2♣-2♦-2♥=NAT or FG BAL(2♠ relay)	
2♦		5		Weak Two (4-9) Often a 5 card suit NV May contain a 4 card major	2♥/♠ CON, NF; 2NT = ENQ; 3♣/♦ NAT CON	2♦-2NT-3♣=Non-min, no 4M, 3♦ = MIN;3♥/♠=4 bid suit Non-min	
2♥/ 2♠		5		Weak Two (5-9) May be 5-card suit 3 <sup>rd</sup> /1 <sup>st</sup> NV 4 <sup>th</sup> 9-12 HCP	2NT=asks for shortage 2♠= NAT, NF; 3new suit = NAT, NF; 4♣/♦=SPL 2N-any-4♣/4♦ = natural	2♥-2NT: 3♣/♦/♠=s/ton;3♥ = MIN no s/ton; 3NT=MAX no s/ton 2♠-2NT: 3♣/♦/♥=s/ton;3♠ = MIN no s/ton; 3NT=MAX no s/ton	
2NT				NAT 20-21(22) HCP May have 5M/6m or be 5422 (not 5/4 in Ms)	3♣ "PUP STAY" 3♦/3♥ JTB 3♠ MINORS; 3NT=NAT 4m SA TEXAS ;4♥=♣; 4♠=♦ slam try	2NT-3♣-3♦ then 3M = oM, 4m=4♥+4♠; 2NT-3♣-3NT no 4M 2NT-3♥-3♠-4♥ NAT S/T F4NT; 2NT-3♣-3NT-4♥= 55M, NF 2NT-3♣-3♦-4♥/♠=5 of linked m	
3X		6		Wide range (not 2 <sup>nd</sup> VUL/4 <sup>th</sup> ) 3M maybe < HCP than 2M	3♠-4♦ = good ♣ RAISE; 3♦-4♠=good ♦ RAISE 3M-4♠=M'WOOD; 3M-4♦=good M RAISE	<b>HIGH LEVEL BIDDING</b>	
3NT		7	N/A	AKQxxx(+ ) in a minor at most Q outside in 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	4♣ convertible;4♦ asks singl/suit; 4NT asks extra length	Cue style: 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> round controls up the line If m agreed, jump 4NT NAT 4NT RKCB then 5♣=1/4, 5♦=0/3, 5♥=2/5 no t Q).	5NT usually pick-a-slam (if no suit agreed) If cue-bid is doubled, XX shows 1st R control 4NT in competition:
4X		6	N/A	NAT PRE	4m-4M NAT; 4m-4NT RKCB; 4M-4NT RKCB; 4M-new suit at 5-level asks for control in next suit up	(DOPI/ROPI (1=1/4) if room else DOPE/ROPE). After RKCB new suit asks for help in suit bid (other than trump Q ask step 1)	Good raise of partner's suit if no cue available RKCB in M over their 3♠/4♣/4♦ overcall Two places to play if partner has not bid e.g.
4NT			N/A	Specific ace ask	5♣ none, 5♦/♥/♠/6♣ ace of bid suit, 5NT two aces	5NT GRAND SLAM FORCE-rare (5♠ if ♣ agreed) RESP: Step1=0; Step2 to 6T=1, 6NT 2, 7♣ 3, Higher stronger with 1 if room below 6T	1♦-(1♥)-x-(4♥)-4NT 64 or 74 in m; 5♣ 65 or 55