

Defensive and Competitive Bidding

Overcalls (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light 1 level O/C, some time 4card M, 8-17HCP at 1 level, 10-17 at 2 level, R/O can be on weaker values.

Responses: Natural (1lev NF, After 2+ level New suit = F1), NTs=limited, CUE = SUPP. Jump raises = PRE. JUMP CUE: splinter

1 NT overcall (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)

2nd: 15-18 bal (subs auction as after 1nt opening)

4th Live: ditto .System is "ON", treatments similar to 1NT opening

Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Aggressive style, WJO - WK, 5+ cards Unusual 2NT - 54. Leaping Michaels on WK 2 M opening (4m = m + OM, CUE= any 2 suiter), Balancing/Direct 2NT=15-18 hcp

Direct and Jump Cue Bids (Style; Responses)

(1♣) / (1♦) - cue = Michael's Q {NV - Mini (<11)/Maxi(>16)}, when VUL - Intermediate (10+) = Majors

(1M) - cue = Michael's Q = OM + m, min 9 cards

Jump cue = Asks for stopper

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopen: PH)

Dbl = Penalty, responder bids as if dbler has opened 1nt

2♣ = Major oriented enquiry, typically 5-4.(no guarantee of 4 card major) 2♦, 2♥, 2♠ = natural

2NT = Both minors, at least 5-5

3X = Pre-emptive (NV, minor) & Constructive (VUL and major)

VS. Preempts (Doubles; Cue bids; Jumps; NT bids)

Take Out DBLs, 2NT : 15-18, (4M)-4NT=any strong 2-suiter

VS. Artificial Strong Openings

Vs Precision 1♣ and 1♠ - 1♦ response

Dbl = M's, 1NT = m's, Rest = Natural

Over Opponents' take out double

Over 1M opening and Opps X, ignoring the double, Over 1m opening... 1level bids are ignoring the double, RDBL=10hp+

Other situations: ignore the double

LEGEND: INV = Invitational. GF = Game Force. M's = Majors. m's = minors. OM = Other Major. Om = Other minor. cd = card. WK = Weak. BAL = Balanced. SUP = Support. NAT = Natural. PRE = Pre-emptive. CONS = Constructive. GT = Game Try. STR = Strong. Q = Cue bid. ENC = Encouraging. CNT = Count. F1 = Forcing for 1 Round. RESP = Responsive. O/C = Overcall. WJO = Weak Jump Overcall. ART = Artificial. XFR = Transfer. SOL = Solid.

Leads and Signals

Opening Leads Style

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3rd / 5th. Hi/w 2 cards	3rd / 5th. Hi/w 2 cards
NT	4th best	3rd best
Subseq	Hi=no interest, count original	
	Other: NT ⇒ K asks count; Q asks unblock; A for att. High level or X'ed suit contracts ⇒ A asks ATTitude, K asks for count. Leads cud be deceptive.	

Leads

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AKx / AKxx(x)	AKx / AKJ10x / AK+
King	AK / KQ / KQJ(x) / KQT(x)	KQ / KQJ(x) / KQT(x)
Queen	AQJ(x) / QJ(x) / QJT(x)	AQJ(x) / QJ(x) / QJT(x)
Jack	HJT(x) / JT(x)	HJT(x) / JT(x)
10	HT9x / T9+	HT9x / T9+
9	H9x / 9xx	H9x / 9xx
Hi - x	doubleton	doubleton
Lo - x	3+	3+

Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding
Suit:	ATT, Lo = ENC	Hi/Lo= Odd	ATT, Lo = ENC
2 nd	Hi / Lo = Odd	Count, S / P	CNT, Hi/Lo= Odd
3 rd	S / P		
NT:	ATT, Lo = ENC	R.Sm,Lo=ENC	Lavinthal1 st dis
2 nd	S / P	CNT	original Count
3 rd	CNT Hi-Lo =Odd		

Vs suit : Hi/ Lo in trumps = interested in ruff or in higher ranked suit.

Vs NT: Reverse Smith Echo = low card interested in suit lead.

Doubles

Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Style: Opening values. Responses: cue F1, jump=8-10.

Reopening: 10+

Special, Art and Comp Dbl/Rdbl's

Most low level DBLS are T/O. NEG+RESP+COMP DBL (showing Take Out-distr) SUP DBL and RDBL (thro' 2M)



Convention Card



System: 2 over 1 GF Natural

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General Approach and Style

Standard American, 5 card Majors. 2/1 GF or 4 of m. 1NT resp over 1M: N/F. 1m=3+ m (better m - no sanctity). Rev. Bergen over 1M in 1st and 2nd seats. 2 way Rev. Drury over 1M in 3rd and 4th seats. 1NT=(14)15-17, 2NT= (19)20-21, 3NT=Gambling, 7card SOL m (no extras), ART Strong 2♣ opening (21+/8+ tricks or any 4 loser hand). 2♦Multi, wk in Major or 18-19 bal 2♥ H and spade suit, 6 to 11, 5+5, 5/4 or 6/4 2♠ both minor 6 to 11, 5+5, 5/4 or 6/4 CARDING: UDCA, Leads: 3/5th in suit, 4th in NT. Rev Smith in NT, Lavinthal 1st discard in NT

Special bids that may require defence

Gambling 3NT (SOL m, no outside A or K). Competitive Cue = Limit Raise or better. 4 card Rev. Bergen raises. Shaded 2 way drury. One over one can be 3 cards(rare) e.g. 1d-1h Light opening. Multi. 2d. 2H and 2S two suiter wk opening hand

Intervention over 1nt

After 2 level intervention over our 1nt, double is stolen bid transfer is ON at 2 and 3 level, 2nt is inv with 7-9 hcp NO Lebensohl, cue is stopper ask, transfer cue is stayman, opener reopens with dble to compete /protect for trap pass

Important notes that don't fit

Weak Jump Shifts, Weak Jump Overcalls, system on over our 1NT overcall or dble of opp's 1NT, and lebensohl over weak 2 X's and after Reverses.

Psychics

Rare in Opening bids, rare to occasional in other bids

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1♣		3	3♠	11- 21 hcp, 3+, no sanctity in opening better minor	Up the line (No Walsh), 1♦ = 3+ . 1♥ / 1♠ = NAT 4+ F1(rare can be 3 cards), 1/2NT = 6-10 /11-12. 2♣ = Inverted minor (does not deny 4 card M) 11+SUP, 3♣ = PRE. 2♦/2♥/ 2♠ = Weak Jump Shifts .ultra wk	After 1♣-2♣ raise, 2NT rebid denies 4 card M and 3♣ is weakest. 1♣-1M-1NT-2♦ is New Minor Force – GF. 1♣-2♣-3NT=18-19: 3-3-3-4. After 1♣-1any,3NT=18-19 with 3 Aces , minorwood and splinter after inverted m	No Fit Jumps
1♦		3	3♠	11- 21 hcp, 3+, no sanctity in opening better minor, can have longer clubs	1♥ / 1♠ = NAT 4+ F1(rare can be 3 cards), 1/2NT = 6-10 /11-12. 2♦ = Inverted minor (does not deny 4 card M) 11+SUP, 3♦ = PRE. 2♥/ 2♠ = Weak Jump Shifts ultra wk. 3♣ = Invit. 6 card ♣.	After 1♦-2♦ raise, 2NT rebid denies 4 card M and 3♦ is weakest. 1♦-1M-1NT-2♣ is New Minor Force - GF. 1♦-2♦-3NT=18-19: 3-3-4-3. After 1♦-1any,3NT=18-19 with 3 Aces, minorwood and spl after inverted m	No FitJumps
1♥		5,4	4♦	11-21, 5 card ♥	1♠ = NAT 4+, 1NT=N/F, 2♣ / 2♦ = NAT 4+ & GF. 2♥ / 3♥ / 4♥ Raises = 6-10raise / Limit (3 card) / PRE (4+ trumps& Singleton). 3♣ / 3♦ = Rev. Bergen 9-11 / 7-9 ,4 cd SUP, Jacoby 2NT ,2♠ = NAT, Weak Jumpshift 6+	After 1♥- 2♥, 2♠/3♣/3♦ = Help suit GT in ♠/♣/♦. After 1♥-1♠,3NT=18-19 with 3 Aces After Jacoby, 3x is ston/void, 4x is 5 card suit, 3M strongest, 3nt intem hand, 4M wkest bid	After 3rd / 4th hand 1♥ opening :2♣ (4 card SUP) / 2♦ (3 card SUP) – Rev Drury , 1NT = NF, 2NT =NAT, 3♣ / 3♦ is inv Natural 6 cards,Drury: 8-11
1♠		5,4	4♦	11-21, 5 card ♠	1NT=NF, 2♣ / 2♦ = NAT 4+ & GF. 2♥ = NAT 5+ & GF. 2♠ / 3♠ / 4♠ Raises = 6 to 10 raise / Limit (3 card) / PRE (4 trumps& Singleton). 3♣/♦ = Rev. Bergen 9-11 / 7-9 , 4 cd SUPP. Jacoby 2NT	After 1♠- 2♠, 3♣/3♦/♥ = Help suit GT in ♣/♦/♥. After Jacoby, 3x is ston/void, 4x is 5 card suit, 3M strongest, 3nt intem hand, 4M wkest bid	After 3rd / 4th hand 1♠ opening : 2♣ (3 cd SUP) / 2♦ (4 cd SUP) – Rev Drury, 1NT = NF, 2NT = NAT, 3♣ / 3♦ = INV, NAT, 6 cds, Drury: 8-11
1 NT		---		(14)15-17 semi balanced, can have 5 card major and 5422 distribution. Singleton Honor Possible. 6331 with 6cd minor possible	2♣ F1 Stayman. 2♦/♥/♠/NT = ♥/♠/♣/♦TRF's . XFR break = super acceptance. 3♣=5,5wk in minor,3♦ = 5,5 GF n slam interest in minor, 3♥/♠ = singleton ♥/♠, 54 in minors GF, 3/2 in OM. 4♣/♦ = S.A. Texas TRF in ♥/♠. 4♥/♠ = To play.	Responder's new suit after transfer =NAT,GF & jump new suit = auto splinter. 1NT-2♣-2any-2NT = INV, doesn't promise a 4 card M. NT-2♣-2♦-3M = Smolen, 4 cds in M, 5 cds in OM. 1NT-2♣-2♦/2♥/2♠ -3♣ shape enquiry 1NT-2♣-2M-3♦= joining in major, slammish	1NT-2♣-2♦-2♥ = Pass or Correct to 2♠.Garbage Stayman . 1NT-2♣-2♦-2♠ = Pass or Correct , spade and a minor Garbage 1NT-2♣-2♦-3♦= 5-5 in M's INV.
2♣	X	0		Forcing STR, 22+, if BAL, or 8+ tricks or 4 loser hand	2♦ waiting, semi-positive GF, 2♥ = trash, double negative. 2♠ / 2NT/3♣/3♦ = Positive in ♠/♥/♣/♦ 3♥/♠.4-6hcp, 6 carder suit	2♣-2♦-3M/4m = Semi SOL, 4m auto rkc	After 2N – Baron, Xfrs, MSS, 4c/d flipflop, no transfer of M at 4 level After 3N – Baron, Xfrs, MSS
2♦	X	6,5		MULTI, Wk in Major or 18-19 bal	2NT = enquiry, 2d-2h pass or correct, 2s/3s p/c to 3h/4h, 3h/4h pass or correct	2d-2nt-3c for H and 3d for s wk hand...3h and 3s better suit and hand	After intervention dble is 18-19
2♥		5+5/4		H and spade, 6 to 11	2NT: enquiry for longer , new suit is NF	2NT and then new suit is natural GF	
2♠	X	6/5+ 5/4		Both minor, 6 to 11	New suit NF, 2NT: enquiry for longer minor	2NT and then new suit is natural GF	
2NT		---		(19)20-21 Semi Bal. Can have 5card Major / 6card minor	3♣= Baron. 3♦ / 3♥ =TRF's to ♥/♠. 3♠ = 5-4 m' s. 3NT= To Play. 4♣/4♦ = flip flop for minor 4c for d and 4d for c , auto rkc response over flip flop NO 4 LEVEL TFER in M.4♥/4♠=To Play. 4N = quant	Super Acceptance = Accept XFR at 4M level only.	
3x		7/6		Natural Preempts	Natural, New suit = F1,	4N on 3M = RKC, 4minor is minor wood	
3NT	X	7		Running 7cm, No side value promised	4♣ / 5♣ / 6♣ = Pass or correct, 4♦ = singleton ask. 5♦/ 6♦ = To play		
4m	X	7,8 or 9		Stronger Namyats.	Strong pre-empt in H/S New suit is cue-bid, 4NT=RKCB		
4M		7 or		To play. Pre-emptive.	New suit is cue-bid, 4NT=RKCB	High Level Bidding / Slam Conventions	
						1430 Roman Key Card Blackwood: 4NT = RKCB; 4♣ and 4♦ as RKCB in ♣ and ♦ when ♣'s	

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4NT	X	---		Asks for specific aces	5♣=zero Ace, 5 Suit=that Ace, 5NT=♣Ace, 6♣ = 2 Aces	and ♦'s agreed and GF established. 1430 Exclusion RKC. Specific K asking. (with 2K's bid the K which is not there). Cue style: 1st or 2nd round control up the line, Lightner DBL's, Forcing pass - Double discouraging after forcing pass, D0P1, R0P1. DEPO/REPO, Splinter. 5NT pick a slam	