

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
Standard overcalls, with cue bid of opponents suit showing support and good hand, 2NT response shows a good raise to 3 or better (9+HCP) and change of suit NF .SUPP 2 (5)
Michaels type 2 suited overcall.
Cue= same colour, 2NT= same rank, 3C= other SUPP 2 (6)
1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
2 nd 15-18, sandwich 16/19 4 th 11
Responses as for 1NT Open
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak except 3C (2 suited) see above and SUPP 2(6)
Reopen: Weak
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Direct: Shaped 2 suiter, same Colour SUPP 2 (6)
Jump: Asks for 3NT with stop. (except 1C/3C)
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
Modified Landy: 2D shows 6cd M, 2M shows 5cd with 4cd m, 2NT enquiry.
Vs Strong NT: Dbl is minor suit take out
Vs Weak NT: Dbl is penalties (better than top of their range)
2C is always Majors
VS.PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Over weak 3 level DBL is T/O , 3NT to play
Over weak 2 level DBL is T/O with 2NT (Lebansohl) response announcing 0-8points and demands 3C bid by partner
2NT is 15-18 with 3C STAY major enquiry and red suit TRF responses
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
Over strong 1Club: ♦= ♦/♥ etc. DBL=♣/♥. 1NT= ♦♠
Jump Bids are weak 6 card

OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	MUD or as below	HxS, MUD, top of seq.	
NT	x(S)xx, HxxS, top of seq, or internal seq.	Hx(x)S, Sxx	
Subsequent carding	Immediate Hi/lo by either player on declarers suit shows extra values in opening lead suit (Smith Peters)		
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT SUPP 2 (7)	
Ace	AK	AKx(x) AKJ10, ATT	
King	AKx(x)	KQx AKJ10, Count	
Queen	QJ10/x(x)	QJx KQ109	
Jack	J10x	J10x(x)	
10	K109(x)	K109(x)	
9	109x	109x(x)	
Hi-X			
Lo-X			
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Distribution, reverse at NT	Distribution	McKenny
Suit 2	ATT		
3	Smith Peter (above)		
1	REV Distribution	Distribution	McKenny
NT 2	ATT	Smith Peter (above)	
3	Smith Peter (above)		
Signals (including Trumps):			
High Low in Trumps shows ruffing interest			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
May be light in 3rd			
Responsive DBL, all bids to 3 Spades after T/O DBL			
Herbert Negative responses to T/O DBL is suit above shows:0-4HCP, but 1S Dbl 1NT response is still 5-8 with stop			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			

WBF CONVENTION CARD
25 th April 2023
CATEGORY: GREEN All events
NCBO: Wales
PLAYERS: Steve Jarvis 909011 (EBU 522197)
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SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Benjaminised Acol, 4 card M
1NT is 12-14 with promissory Stayman
1NT Response is NF
2NT response is good raise to 3 over M & m
Third suit forcing in a suit sequence. Jump bid to 2/3 level by opener agrees responders suit and shows singleton loser in 4 th Suit. (FRAG style, SUPP 1:5)
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
2 C Opening: 22/23 NT or Strong 2 in any suit
2 D: Game Force may be 24/25 NT hand, step responses
2M : Weak 6 to 10 HCP, 6 (5) card suit
3NT Opening: Gambling, long solid minor
Negative Doubles to 3 Spades
Responsive and Competitive Doubles to 3 Spades
LEB after 2 level overcall of our 1NT (may be strong)
CB, 2NT and 3C Overcalls are 2 suited shaped hands
2NT response to Opening Bid or Overcall shows a good raise to 3 or better (9+HCP) SUPP 1(1) SUPP2(5)
CTRL Asking Bids with RKCB RESP, SUPP 1 (6)
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
IMPORTANT NOTES

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Redouble 9+ HCP, change of suit F, 2NT good raise to 3.

PSYCHICS

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG. DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		4	3S	11-19 (4441) open suit below 15+ hand open highest ranking suit or H if 4:4 in H/S	1NT = (5)6-8(9) NF Over 1Mm, 2NT=Good raise to 3 level or better (9+HCP), 3NT=13-15 3343 (3 card support no other Major) Mini and Maxi Splinter over 1Mm SUPP 1(7)	All new Suits Forcing in a Suit Sequence 1NT Response NF, COMART SUPP 1(4) Fourth suit forcing (=GF if at 3 lvl) 2 way checkback. After 1NT rebid SUPP 1(3) FRAG type bids by opener SUPP 1(5)	Change of suit forcing after interference or DBL (except by PH)
1♦		4	3S				2/1 F
1♥		4	3S				
1♠		4	3S				
INT			3S	12-14	2C = Promisory Stayman, 2D=hearts, 2H=spades, 2S=Min/Max inquiry or Clubs, 2NT = 3 way bid		Lebensohl WK or STR with no stop SUPP 2(2)
2♣	√			22-23 or Strong 2 in any suit	2D relay. Over 2D, 2H/S rebid forcing but 3C/D not forcing	Over 2NT:5 Card Puppet Stayman, Transfers, 4NT quantitative. 3S Puppet to 3NT. 3NT 5/4 S/H	Dbl interference: Values for Game
2♦	√			GF; 2N rebid=24/25 3N to play	Step Responses, based on Controls		DOPI, ROPI . SUPP 2 (4)
2♥		6 (5)		Weak	2NT enquiry, change of suit F		Natural
2♠		6 (5)					Natural
2NT			3S	20-21	5 Card Puppet Stayman, Transfers, 4NT quantitative. 3S Puppet to 3NT. 3NT 5/4 S/H		Natural
3♣♦♥♠		7 (6)			Change of suit forcing		Natural
3NT	√	7		3 NT opening = solid 7 card minor, no A or K outside)			Natural
4♣		6			Rule of 2 or 3		
4♦		6					
4♥		6					
4♠		6					
4NT	√			Specific Ace-asking			5C=0 5DHS=ADHS 6C=AC 5N=2A
5♣							HIGH LEVEL BIDDING
5♦						KCB with Q ask, then 5NT confirms all KC and is specific K ask	
5♥						CTRL Asking Bids with RKCB RESP, SUPP 1 (6)	
5♠						Grand Slam Force	

Supplementary Sheet 1 Steve Jarvis and Nick Forrest (25th April 2023)

Bidding

1. **1M/m Opening Bid then 2NT Response:**
 - Good raise to 3 or better (9+HCP) if m denies 4M.
 - After 2NT Response to 1M new suit is a Long Suit Trial, then 3x is min, 4 x is positive, cue is 7 loser, 3NT is 6 loser.
 - After 2NT Response to 1m new suit is strength showing to 3NT.
2. **1NT Sequences examples:**
 - 1N – 2C – 2D – 2H (Pass or correct) or 2S is to play
 - 1N – 2H – 2S – 3C/D/H shows 5S and 4C/D/H, GF
 - 1N – 2H – 2S – 4C/D/H Splinter
 - 1N – 2D – 2H – 2S forcing to 2NT
 - 1N-2C-2H-2S shows 4S and values for 2NT
 - 1N-2S-(TRF to C or strength enquiry)
 - 1N-2N (TRF to Diamonds) 3(C)D then 3H shows 5/5 M/M invitational. 3S shows 5/5 m/m forcing to game
3. **1NT rebid** by Opener shows 14-17: 2C/D 2 way checkback 2C will be invitational, 2D will be GF
 - **1x 2y 2NT shows 15-19:** 3C is enquiry, 3D shows 15-16 any other 3 level bid shows 17-18, 4 level shows 19.
 - **1x 2x 2NT shows flat and 18 HCPs** and non forcing, 3C by responder is weak forces 3D
4. **1H/S Opening Bid 1NT response (NF) then 2C by opener is checkback, except in contested auction. After 1H/S open Opener cannot show C by 2C in uncontested auction.**
 - Responder shows 3 card support and Max/Min. Negative is 2D
5. **FRAG style bids:**
 - A jump to level 2/3 in the 3rd or 4th suit agrees last bid suit and shows singleton loser in suit not bid or agreed by jump. Jumps to level 4 are Cue bids inviting Control Asking
 - Example of 3rd and 4th Jump
 - 1H - 1S – 3C agrees spades and shows single losing Diamond
 - 1H - 1S – 2C – 3D agrees Clubs and shows singleton losing Heart
 - 1S – 2H – 3C – 4D agrees Clubs cue bids
6. **Control Asking Bids:**
 - After Suit agreement and one hand has limited a new suit is CAB, asking for 1st or 2nd round CTRL. Negative is return to suit Positive is KCB response (4130 unless suit asked is one below Trump Suit then 3041)
 - After a positive response a new suit asks for losers xxx is return to suit otherwise step responses. (A counts as x)
7. **Splinters**
 - After 1M Opening Bid a jump shift shows Splinter and 8 loser hand or better, double jump shift shows a void and is XKCB with controls in other two suits.
 - After 1m Opening Bid single jump shift shows 8 loser hand or better, double jump shift shows a void and is XKCB with controls in other two suits

Supplementary Sheet 2 Steve Jarvis and Nick Forrest (25th April 2023)

Competitive Bidding

1. After 1NT doubled:

- Pass is natural
- Redouble – shows 5 card suit, opener bids 2C then pass or correct
- Suit bid is lowest of 2 4card suits

2. Lebensohl defence to interference over 1NT opening or overcall of our 1NT:

- Double = values for 2NT, Can be left in.
- 2NT bid requires opener to bid 3 clubs (if 4th player passes)
- Suit bids: Competitive at 2-level; GF at 3-level; either invitational or competitive if after 2N response, depending on whether it could have been bid at 2-level.
- SANS (Slow Arrival No Stop) eg immediate 3NT bid shows a stop. Stop is in the bid suit if genuine or the real suit if artificial, or the anchor major if a 2-suited artificial overcall.
- Cue bid is Stayman (either after 2NT bid which denies stop, or immediate which shows a stop).

3. Examples of other 1NT sequences where next bid would be Lebensohl:

- (1H) 1NT (2H)
- (1x) 1NT (2y) Cue bids T/O, lower enemy suit invitational, higher GF.
- Responder re-opening after passing: 2N = Lebensohl, X = TO

e.g. after 1N P P 2H P P or 1N 2C(Astro) P 2H P P, then 2N = Lebensohl, X = TO

4. DOPI/ROPI:

- X/XX (1st Step) = 0/3, Pass (2nd Step) = 1/4, 3rd step = 2-Q 4th step = 2+Q,
- After X/XX or Pass next non-trump bid asks for trump Q. If yes bid lowest side-suit King

5. After we overcall

- 2NT response agrees the suit and shows a good raise to 3 or better (9+ HCP)
- Does not apply to an overcall of 1NT

6. After we overcall showing a 2 suited hand (CB, 2NT or 3C)

- responder shows agreement/game interest by bidding CB or the 4th suit (cheapest agrees lowest ranking)
- eg 1H 2H (S&C) P 3D(H) agrees (C)S and shows game interest.