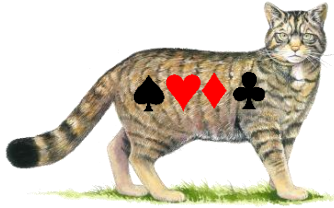


DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
1 level usually 5+ card suit, 8+ HCP
2 level 5+ card suit, 10+ HCP
Re-opening may be lighter
Responses to overcalls: New suit forcing, direct raise of partner is weak, unassuming cue-bid (UCB) with good hand (see next page)
Overcalling a short 1♣ opening: treat it as natural. A hand with Clubs can pass then bid Clubs on second round if partner has also passed
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
15-18 (11-14 in pass out seat)
Responses: Stayman and major transfers
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak, 5-10, 6+ suit
(1m)-2NT Unusual 2nt
5+/5+ other minor and a major; strength wide ranging
(1M)-2NT 5+/5+ both minors; strength wide ranging
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
(1m)-2m is Michaels Cue Bid 5+/5+ both majors; strength wide ranging
(1M)-2M also Michaels = 5+/5+ other major and a minor; strength wide ranging. 2NT enquiry asks which minor
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak, Reopening, Passed Hand)
Natural Overcalls
X of all opposition NT bids are penalty
(INT)-X-(P)-2x: weak hand; long suit
VS.PRE-EMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Double=Takeout
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
Double=majors; 1NT/2NT=minors
(1♣) - P - (1♦) - ? Double=majors, 1NT=minors
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Weak raises
New suits are forcing

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	Top of sequence, low from good suit, high from bad, top of doubleton, MUD	Same	
NT	Often 4 th highest from good suit		
Subsequent	Same		
Other:			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AKx(x), AKQ(x)	AKx(x), AKQ(x)	
King	AK, KQx(+)	AK	
Queen	QJx(+)		
Jack	J10x(+) KJ10(+)	J10x(+), (A/K)J10(+)	
10	10x 109x(+), (K/Q)109(+)	10x 109x(+), (A/K/Q)109(+)	
9	9x, 987x(+),	9x, 987x(+)	
Hi-X	xx, xxx(+)	xx xxx(+)	
Lo-X	Hxx(+)	Hxx(+), KQx(+), QJx(+)	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit 1	Attitude (High=Encouraging)	Count (High=Even)	Attitude (High=Encouraging)
2	Suit Preference	Suit Preference	Suit Preference
NT 1	Attitude (As above)	Count (As above)	Attitude (As above)
2	Suit Preference	Suit Preference	Suit Preference
Signals (including Trumps):			
DOUBLES			
Typically double with 16+ rather than overcall			
Doubles emphasise majors			
Doubles after partner opens 1NT or a weak two are penalty			
DEFENCE TO UNUSUAL CONVENTIONS			
Against transfer response to 1♣: X shows that suit. Bidding transfer suit is takeout, e.g (1♣) Pass (1♦=hearts) 1♥=takeout of hearts			
Against Multi 2♦: X is 13-16 bal or 18+ (next double takeout)			
Against weak 2♦ showing Majors: X is 15+ (next double penalties), 2NT minors.			
Against Polish 1♣: X is 12-14 bal or 18+			
Against 2NT showing minors: X both majors (next double takeout), 3♣ both majors with more Hearts, 3♦ both majors with more Spades			

CONVENTION CARD	
CATEGORY:	GREEN
NCBO:	SCOTLAND
EVENT:	PEGGY BAYER 2026 (Prestwick)
Eunice Ooi (22215)	Isla Jamieson (20154)
Emmett Taher (22988)	Anya Burton Coyle ()
Andrew Mazanetz ()	Maoyan Li ()
	
SYSTEM SUMMARY	
1NT opening 12-14	
4 card majors	
2♦/2♥/2♠ openings weak	
Natural style	
Standard attitude and count	
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
IMPORTANT NOTES	
1M-2NT is natural	
2/1 responses are only 10+	
PSYCHICS	

OPEN-ING	Artificial	Min No	Neg Double Thru	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		4	3♠	Natural, 11+	Limit raises (e.g. 1♣-2♣=6-9, 1♣-3♣=10-12, 1♣-1NT=6-9, 1♣-2NT=10-12) Strong jump shifts (e.g. 1♣-2♥ = 16+ good Hearts) 1♦-2♣ = 4+ Clubs, 10+ points	Reverses – e.g. opening 1♦ and rebidding 2♥ shows 16-19 and at least 5-4 shape. A high reverse (e.g. opening 1♦ and rebidding 3♣) is 18-19 and at least 5-4 shape	Unassuming Cue Bids (UCB): e.g. 1♥-(1♠)-2♠ shows at least a good raise to at least 3♥
1♦							
1♥							
1♠							
INT				12-14 balanced or semi-bal May include 5M or 6m	2♣ Stayman , 2♦/2♥ are transfers 2NT=10-12 invitational, 3x=natural 16+	Stayman can be weak if short in Clubs, or with both majors (1NT-2♣; 2♦-2M; Pass)	After 1NT-(X), natural bidding. After 1NT-(2x), X=penalties, 2 level natural, 3 level strong, can bid enemy suit with good hand
2♣	Yes	0		23+ balanced or semi-bal Or any game forcing hand	2♦ = waiting	Opener rebids BAL: 2NT=23-24, 3NT=25-26 Unbalanced: bid suit or jump if one suited Stayman and transfers after NT rebid	
2♦		6		Weak, 5-9	Raise of partners suit usually weak (or game bids) New suits are forcing 2NT/3NT natural non-forcing 4NT = Blackwood		
2♥							
2♠							
2NT				20-22 balanced or semi-bal May have 5M or 6m	Stayman, 3♦/3♥=transfer, 3NT=natural 4NT=Invitational to 6NT		
3♣		6		Weak with 6/7 card suit	Same as over Weak 2♦/2♥/2♠		
3♦							
3♥							
3♠							
3NT							
4♣		7		Weak with 7/8 card suit	4NT = Blackwood		
4♦							
4♥				Very distributional			
4♠							
4NT							
HIGH LEVEL BIDDING							
5♣		7		Very distributional		Blackwood 1430 (5♣=1/4 keycards, 5♦=0/3, 5♥=2 no trump queen, 5♠=2 with trump queen). 5NT follow up asks how many Kings outside trumps (6♣=0, 6♦=1, 6♥=2, 6♠=3) 4NT immediately after 1NT/2NT/3NT is invitational to 6NT	
5♦							
5♥							
5♠							