



After any bid by the opposition your side may use the Double call.

| <u>N</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>S</u> | <u>W</u> |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Pass | 1♠ | X |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |



If the Double is followed by three passes, then the contract is doubled. There will be a bigger score if declarer makes his contract OR a bigger score to the defence if they defeat the contract.

If any player bids, the double is left on the table, but it's effect is cancelled.

| <u>N</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>S</u> | <u>W</u> |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Pass | 1♠ | X |
| 2♠ | Pass | Pass | |
| Pass | | | |



The 2♠ contract is not doubled and scores normally.

You cannot double your partner's bid.



After a double by the opposition your side may use the Re-double call.

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| <u>N</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>S</u> | <u>W</u> |
| | Pass | 1♠ | X |
| XX | Pass | Pass | Pass |



If the Re-double is followed by three passes, then the contract is re-doubled. There will be an even bigger score if declarer makes his contract or an even bigger score to the defence if they defeat the contract.

If any player bids, the re-double is left on the table, but the effect is cancelled.

| Result | <u>Non Vulnerable</u> | | | <u>Vulnerable</u> | | |
|--------|-----------------------|---------|-----------|-------------------|---------|------------|
| | Not Doubled | Doubled | Redoubled | Not Doubled | Doubled | Re-doubled |
| -1 | 50 | 100 | 200 | 100 | 200 | 400 |
| -2 | 100 | 300 | 600 | 200 | 500 | 1000 |
| -3 | 150 | 500 | 1000 | 300 | 800 | 1600 |
| -4 | 200 | 800 | 1600 | 400 | 1100 | 2200 |



Overcalling 1NT

An overcall of 1NT is different to an opening of 1NT. The bidder may have to play in 1NT, against opponents who have at least one opening hand, so needs a balanced hand with 15-18 HCPs. Opponents will lead their bid suit, so the overcaller's hand must have a "stop" in that suit.

| N | E | S | W |
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| 1♦ | 1NT | ... | |

East

♠ 10 9 8 7
♥ K Q 9 5
♦ A Q
♣ A J 2



Double of 1NT Opening

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| <u>North</u> | <u>East</u> | <u>South</u> | <u>West</u> |
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| 1NT | X | | |
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Double of 1NT opening is

quite different. It shows a strong balanced hand of 16 to 18 high card points. It is a double for penalties.

East

♠ A K 8
 ♥ Q J 5
 ♦ A 10 9 8
 ♣ K 9 7

Normal Penalty double is still available!

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|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| <u>North</u> | <u>East</u> | <u>South</u> | <u>West</u> |
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|------|------|------|------|
| 1♠ | Pass | 2♠ | Pass |
| 3♠ | Pass | 4♠ | X |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

The usual agreement is double of a suit bid up to and including 3♠ is for take

out. When partner doubles a game bid like 4♠ it's for penalties and you pass.

West

♠ A K
 ♥ 10 9 8 2
 ♦ A K 5
 ♣ 8 4 3 2