

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING	
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening)	
1 st level: 6-17, good suit or strong hand	
2 nd level: 11-17, good suit	
Reopenings: 1 st level: 8-14, 2 nd level: 10-16, 1NT: 10-14 ^{xx}	
Cue: see Cuebids, 2NT: 19-21	
(1x) - p - (1y/2y*)	-1NT: 5+m & 4M, 9-14
	-2x: 5/5 other suits
-2y: natural	-2NT: 5/5 in m
*no jump	-X: 4/4 others suits OR strong
Fitjumps & Fitnonjumps, Rubens Transfers	
NT OVERCALLS	
1NT (2 nd) or (2x) p (p) 2NT or (2x) 2NT: (15)16-18	
1NT (4 th): 10-14 [10-11 passed hand] , ^{xx} no stopper req.	
(1x) p (p) 2NT (4 th): 19-21	
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, Unusual NT)	
Single jumps: weak (0-11) if nv, else constructive (8-12)	
2NT (2 nd): 2-suiter (the two lowest unbid suits)**	
**weak or strong	
DIRECT AND JUMP CUE BIDS	
(1♣/♦) 2♣/♦ = 5♥ & 5♠ ^{***} ***	
(1♥) 2♥ = 5♠ & 5♣ ^{***} ***; (1♠) 2♠ = 5♥ & 5♣ ^{***} ***;	
^{***} same in sandwich position	
3-level cue asks for stopper	
VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak, Reopening, PH)	
STRONG NT (16+ in the range, not 12-16):	
2♣: ♥ & ♠, 2♦: ♥ or ♠, 2♥/♠: 5♥/♠ & 4+minor; X: polish X	
2NT: ♣ + ♦ or strong 2-suiter (m + x)	
WEAK / MINI NT:	
2♣: ♥ & ♠, 2♦: ♥ or ♠, 2♥/♠: 5♥/♠ & 4+minor	
2NT: ♣ + ♦ OR strong 2-suiter (m + x), 3m: constructive	
X: polish X by passed hand, else penalty	
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles, Cue-bids, Jumps, NT bids)	
artificial 2-suiter:	
(2♥)-3♥: asks for ♥-stopper (2♣/♦/3♣/♦)*-4♣: 5+om & 5+M	
(2♥)-4♣: 5+♣ & 5+♠, GF (2♣/♦/3♣/♦)*-4♦: 5+♥ & 5+♠	
(2♥)-4♦: 5+♦ & 5+♠, GF analogous for 2♣/3♣/♦	
(2♥)-4♥/4N: 5+♣ & 5+♦, strong/weak X: T/O *natural	
VS. 1♣ Precision / Blue Club, but not polish ♣	
X=♣+♦*, 1♦=♦+♥*, 1♥=♥+♠*, 1♠=♠+♣*, 1NT=one minor	
2♣=♣+♥**, 2♦=♦+♠**, 2♥=♥, 2♠=♠, 2NT=5♣+5♦	
*4+ 4+ 0-15 hcp, **5+ 4+ / 4+ 5+ 0-15 hcp	
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE	
Fit(-non-)jumps, Transfers, Lebensohl, Truscott, weak jumps	

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	2./4.	2./4., but Xxx (if not raised)	
NT	2./4.	2./4., but Xxx (if not raised)	
Subseq.	att with ct	att with ct	
*vs. suit: A asks for count, others ask for attitude			
*vs. NT: K/Q ask for attitude, others ask for Reese			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace**	Ax(+), AKx(+)	Ax, AK, AKQx(+)	
King**	AK, Kx, KQ(+), KJ, AK(+)		
Queen*	Qx, QJ(+), (NT only) AQx		
Jack	Jx, JT(+), KJx, KJT(+), (NT only) AJT(+)		
10	T9, Tx, KTx, KT9(+), (NT only) AT9(+)		
9	K9x, Q9x, J9x		
Hi-x	2./4., but xXxx(+), Xxx (in partner's suit if not raised)		
Lo-x	2./4., but Xxx (in partner's suit if not raised)		
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit	1 att* (ct*)	ct	odd = enc. even = Lav.
	2		
	3		
NT	1 Reese* (att *)	smith: low=enc.	
	2 att	ct	
	3		
Signals (including Trumps):			
low = encouraging / even; lavinthal in trumps			
Reese: 2./5., but <u>X</u> xx, yy <u>Y</u> y (y=honour or x, x=low)			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style, Responses, Reopening)			
aggressive with perfect shape, else solide			
majors 12+, any distribution 18+			
Reopening: majors 8+, any distr. 15+, jumps 11-16			
Resp.: Lebensohl			
2 nd X shows add. strength / penalty, X is T/O if opps have fit			
SPECIAL; ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE (RE-)DOUBLES			
negative X through 4♥			
Lightner double, supp X / NT, no supp XX			
Positive (pd suit) & negative (own suit) lead-directing doubles			
penalty double (e.g. after partner's preempts)			
1NT - (2♣) - system on independent of the 2♣ meaning			
XX = points or T/O or showing X suit or asking bid			

International - Convention - Card

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SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
5-card M, weak NT, 2/1 GF, 5♠ 5♥ 4♦ 2♣
1♣/♦/♥/♠-openings are forcing
1NT: vul. 12-14 / nv. 11 ⁺ -14, possible distributions:
5M, 6m, any 4441, any 5422 but not 5-4 Majors
2♣/♦/♥/♠: (1 st /2 nd) 9-12, 5+♣/♦/♥/♠, unbalanced
(3 rd) 6-12, 5+♣/♦/♥/♠
(4 th) 11-13, 6+♣/♦/♥/♠
2NT: 20-21, balanced, 5-card M possible
3♣/♦/♥/♠/4♥/♠: preemptive
3NT: 7+♣/♦, broken suit
4♣/♦: 7+♥/♠ (3.5-4 losers vuln., 4-4.5 losers nv.)
4NT: both minors 6+ 5+
5NT: asks for any honours ('mod. Hofstein')
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE
- 1♣ 1♦: any 0-5 / 8 ⁺ -10 no 4M / 2-suited 5-5 M + x
- 1♣ 1M: shows 4+cards in the other Major, 6+
- 1♦ 1♥/♠: 0+, shows 4+cards in the other Major
After 1♦ 1oM 1NT 2♣ 2♥/♠ we play transfers
- 1♣: any bal. hand no 5M not 11-14 not 20-21 OR 4+♣ 13+
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
any strength showing gameforce
1♦ - (p/X) - 1oM - (X) - p: forcing
after opps' X versus completely artifical bids XX searches / asks

OPENING	TICK IF ART	MIN No. OF C	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION
1♣	x	2	13-37, rule of 22	1♦: any 0-5 / 8 ⁺ -10 no 4M / 10-13 2-suiter (M + x) GF;	1♣-1♦ -1NT: 15-19, bal. (if 15-17, then no 4M) -2♦: art. GF -2♥: art. SGF;
			forcing through 1♥	1♥/♠: 4+♠/♥ 6+; 1NT: 6-8; 2♣/♦: 5+♣/♦ GF; 2♥: 5+♥ 4+♠ 5-8;	1♣-1♠-1NT -2♣: Stayman-like -2♦: art. GF -2NT/3♣/♦: inv.
				2♠: both minors 5 ⁺ 4 ⁺ 5-8 or ~10+; 2NT: 14+ bal. GF;	1♣-1♥-1NT -2♦: 5♦ 4♥ GF -2♥: trf ♠; 1♣-1♠-1NT -2♦: trf ♥ -2♥: NF;
				3♣/♦: 6+♣/♦ 6-8; 3♥/♠/SA: 11-13 bal. ♥/♠/♥+♠ stopper	1♣-1♥-1♠ -2♣: art. inv.+ -2♦: art. GF; 1♣ - 1NT - 2♦: asks 2-3-card M;
1♦		4	13-37, rule of 22	1♥: 4+♠ 0+; 1♠: 4+♥ 0+; 1NT: 0-8 no 4M; 2♠: GF 4+♠ OR inv. 6+♠; 2♦: 4+♦ inv.+ / 5♥ 4♠ 5-8; 2M: 6+M 6-9; 2NT: 9-10 bal.;	1♦ - 1♠ - 1NT (any 18+) - 2♣ (art. GF) - 2♦: 3-card M support (Bubrotka);
			forcing through 1♠	3♣: 6-8 4+♦; 3♦: 0-5 4+♦; 3♥/♠/SA: 11-13 bal. ♥/♠/♥+♠ stopper	1♦ - 1♥ - 1♠: 4+♦ 4+♥ 13-20 NF (=> trf follow); 1♦ - 1NT - 2♣/♦: nat. 13-20
			unbalanced	3♣: 6-8 4+♦; 3♦: 0-5 4+♦; 3♥/♠/SA: 11-13 bal. ♥/♠/♥+♠ stopper	1♣/♦ - 1♠ - 2M - step1: art. inv.+; 1m 1♠ 2♥ 2NT = inv. with ♠
1♥		5	13-37, rule of 22	1♠: 0-4♠ 0-10 OR 14-16 bal.; 1NT: 5+♠ 0+; 2♣/♦: 5+♣/♦ GF;	1♥-1x -2♣: 5♥ 4♠ 13-17 OR any 18+ (Gazilli) -2♦: 5♥ 3+♦ 13-17;
			forcing through 1NT	2♥: 3-card ♥ 5-8; 2♠: bal. 11-13 or 17+; 2NT: ♥-fit GF;	1♥ - 1♠ - 1NT: 5+♥ 4+♠ 13-17 (not 6♥ 4-5♠ with 15-17);
			3 rd : rule of 20 for 2-suiter	3♣: 6-8 4+♥ OR 14-16 bal. 3-card ♥; 3♦: 9-11 4+♥; 3♥: pre;	
				3♠: ♥-fit, any void; 3NT/4♣/♦: 10-14 4+♥ ♠/♣/♦-singleton;	1M - 1x - 2♠ - art. answers;
1♠		5	analogous to 1♥	1NT: 0-10 OR 14-16 bal.; 2♠: 3♠ 5-8; 2NT: bal. GF; 3♠: ♠-fit GF;	1♠ - 1NT - 2♣: 13-17 5♠ 4♣ or 5323 OR 'any' 18+
			forcing through 1NT/2♦	3♦: 6-8 4+♠ OR 14-16 bal. 3♠; 3♥: 9-11 4+♠; 3NT-4♥: splinter;	1♠ - 1NT - 2♣ - 2♦: 6-10 0-2♠
1NT	x		vul. 12-14 / nv. 11-14	2♣: asks 4card M; 2♥/♦: trf ♥/♠; 2♠: asks for min&max	1NT-2♣-2x-3♣/♦: GF 5+♣/♦; 1NT-2♣-2♦-3M: 4M 5♠ GF
			5-card M, 6-card m	2NT: both minors; 3♣/♦: inv. ♣/♦; 3♥: 1'3[54 ⁺] GF;	1NT-2♣-2♥/♠-2♠/3♥: SI in ♥/♠; 1NT-2♠-2NT -3m: NF -3M: 4M 0-1♠ GF
			any 4441	3♠: 31[54 ⁺] GF; 4♣: 5+♥ 5+♠; 4♦/♥: trf ♥/♠;	1NT-2♦/♥-2♥/♠-3m -3♥/♠: supports m -suit bids above 3♥/♠: ♥/♠-fit, cue
			any 5422, not 5M 4M		Penalty X: vs. 2♣/2♦/♥/♠ only after any strength-showing X/XX
2♣		5	1 st /2 nd : 5+♣, 9-12, unbal.	2♦: forcing relay; 2♥/♠: 5+♥/♠ nonf.; 2NT: 5♥ 4♠ inv.;	2♣-2♦ -2♥: 3-4♥ -2♠: 3-4♠ 0-2♥ -2NT: 4+♦ -3♠: 6+♠ min.
			3 rd : 6-12	3♣: pre; 3♥/♠/♦: 6+♥/♠/♦ invite;	-3♦: 7+♠ max. -3♥/♠: 6+♠ 5+♥/♠ -3NT: 2236 max.;
			4 th : 11-13, 6+♣	2♦ - 2♥/2♠ - 2♠/NT: 2 nd relay GF;	
2♦		5	1 st /2 nd : 5+♦, 9-12, unbal.	2♥: forcing relay; 2♠: 5+♠ nonf.; 2NT: 5♥ inv. NF	2♦-2♥ -2♠: 3-4♠ -2NT: 3-4♥ 0-2♠ -3♠: 4+♠ -3♦: 6+♦ min.
			3 rd : 6-12	3♣: 6+♠ nonf.; 3♦: pre; 3♥/♠: 6+♥/♠ invite;	-3♥/♠: 6+♦ 5+♥/♠ -3NT: 6+♦ max.;
			4 th : 11-13, 6+♦	2♥ - 2♠/2NT - 2NT/3♣: 2 nd relay GF;	
2♥		5	1 st /2 nd : 5+♥, 9-12, unbal.	2♠: forcing relay; 2NT: 5+♠ inv.+; 3♣/♦: 6+♣/♦ GF; 3♥: pre;	2♥-2♠ -2NT: 4+♠ min. -3♣/♦: 4+♣/♦ -3♥: 6+♥ min. -3♠: 5+♥ 4+♠ max.
			3 rd : 6-12	3♠/4♠/♦: splinter;	-3NT: 6+♥ max.;
			4 th : 11-13, 6+♥		2♥-2NT -3♣/♦: 4+♣/♦ no 3♠ -3♥: 6♥ no 3♠ -3♠: 3♠ min., else 3♠ cue max.;
2♠		5	1 st /2 nd : 5+♠, 9-12, unbal.	2NT: forcing relay; 3♠: 5+♥ inv.+; 3♥/♦: 6+♥/♦ GF;	2♠-2NT -3♠: 4+♥ -3♦: 4+♦ -3♥: 4+♠ -3♠: 6+♠ min. -3NT: 6+♠ max.;
			3 rd /4 th : details see 2♥	3♠: pre; 4♠/♦/♥: splinter;	2♠-3♠ -3♦: 2♥ -3♥: 0-1♥ -3♠: 3♥ min. -rest: 3♥ cue max.;
2NT			20-21, balanced	3♣: Romex Stayman; 3♠: trf ♠; 4♠: trf ♦; 3♥/♥/4♦/♥: trf ♥/♠	2NT - 3♠ - ... - 4♣/♦: cond. RKCB
			5-card M possible	4♠: NF (these follow-ups hold after 1♣ 1♦ 2NT, 1♣ 1♦ 2♦ 2♥/♠ 2NT and in competition after our strong 2NT)	
3♣/♦/♥/♠		6	pre	single raise: to play; 4♦/♣/♠/♠: asks for keycards 0/1/1 ⁺ /2/2 ⁺ ;	
3NT	x		one broken minor	4♣: paco; 4♦: asks for shortness;	
4♣/♦	x		good 4♥/♠-opening	step1: asks 1 st round contr.; step2: to play; step3: RKCB; rest: CAB**;	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING
4♥/♠		7	preemptive	step1: RKCB; rest: **control asking bid (CAB);	DOPI-ROPI, RKCB (30 / 41 / 52-Q / 52+Q), EKCB, splinter, DEPO,
4NT	x		both minors 6+ 5+	5♥: asks for void (=> 5♠: ♠-void, 5NT: ♥-void, 6♠: no void);	(mixed) cuebids, 5NT: pick-a-slam, spiral scan, (non-)serious cuebids
5NT	x		asks for any honours	6♣: no honours, 6♦/♥/♠/NT: ♦/♥/♠/♠-honour(s);	