DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening) New suit NF 2/1 and 2/2, F1 1/1 and over weak bids. 2NT = LR+ in Major suit overcall if advancer bids, natural if advancer passes and over 2m 3-level jump O = mixed raise, cue usually shows 3 fit

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

Transfers after negative double, starting with NT.

Direct 15-18, system on.

Reopening 11-14 after m and 11-16 after 1M, 2♣ = range ask after 1M

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

3 level jump overcalls are pre. vulnerability dependant.

2 level jump overcalls weak but show some playing strength Reopen: Intermediate single jump

1X-2NT = 2 lower. 1m(nebulous)-2NT = +other minor

DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)

1♣-2♣ = nat. 1m-2♦ = Majors.

Vs art $1 \Leftrightarrow 2 \Leftrightarrow = \text{nat}, 2 \checkmark / 3 \Leftrightarrow = \text{Majors weak/strong}$

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)

Strong: 2m = m + M, 2M = nat, X = one minor or both Majors or

good ♠ overcall or strong hand not 2 suited.

2NT shows any strong 2 suiter other than minors and puppets 3.

Weak: X = 14+, 2 - 4+ (vor 4) 2 + 4+ (vor 4) 2M Natural. 2NT = 1 suit

3♣ or 3♦ show that minor plus ♥

Lebensohl after they run to 2M after Dbl

VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)

X = T/O. Cue = Michaels. 2M: 4. = minors

 $4 \leftarrow = \text{strong OM}$. 2m-4om = 5+om & 5+M F. $3 \triangleq -4 \leftarrow +M F$.

NT = nat: Wolff, stayman and transfers.

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Dbl = Majors, NT = minors. $1 - P - 1 \cdot X = Majors$, NT = minors

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Transfers if we open 1. 1M. 2M.

1♦-Dbl:1♥=•.1•=NT.1NT=• weak.2•= •Con. 2•=NF.2♥=5•4+♥ inv.

2NT=♣ preemptive 3♣=minors weak.

LEADS AND SIGNALS OPENING LEADS STYLE				
Suit	3 rd and lowest	3 rd and lowest		
NT	4 th best, Rusinow	3 rd /5 th		
Subseq	4 th /Attitude			
Other:				

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT: Rusinow
Ace	AKx	AK(x)(x)
King	AK, KQ+, (AKx at 5+level)	Asks unblock/count
Queen	QJ+, Qx	KQ(x), AQJxx
Jack	JT+, Jx, KJTx	KQJx, QJxx,
10	T9+, Tx, HT9x	JTxx, HJTx,
9	9x, KJ9	T9x(x), $HT9(x)$,
Hi-X	xx, xxx+ if length assumed	xx, xxx, maybe xxx+
Lo-X	xxx, 4 th best	4 th best

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1 Lo = encourage		Lo = even	Lo = encourage
Suit 2	Lo = even	S/P	Lo= even
3	S/P		S/P
1	same as suits	Trick 2 S/P	same as suits
NT 2		Else like suit	
3			

Signals (including Trumps): S/P

Trick 2 suit pref. vs NT, unless count needed.

Trick 1 Signal VS suit is standard when lead shows AK.

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Jumps invitational (but preemptive over XX)

X of m: cue-bid = GF or pick M inv+

X of M: cue-bid = GF

X of 2M: Lebensohl with some special art slam tries

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Support X through 3 level. Support XX.

P/X inversion in forces after 1. opening, also vs. 5 level preempt In comp many dbls say consider additional competition.

Game try X. 4th suit X. X and XX as part of Ace-asking interference.

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Green NCBO: USBF USA1

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SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Precision. $1 \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{\bullet} = 16+$. $1 \stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet} = 11-15$, usually $2+\stackrel{\blacklozenge}{\bullet}$.

5-card Majors (4 possible 3rd).

2♣ opening = 11-15, 6+♣. Can be 5 cards in 3rd

2♦ opening = 11-15, short ♦, 3-suiter w 3-card M possible

14-16 NT (15-17 vul 3rd, & all 4th) upgrade common

2/1 Response = GF with 2♣ artificial

All high card requirements are subject to judgement.

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

1♣ opening = 16+, artificial

1 ◆ opening = 11-15, 2+ ◆'s (or stiff honor).

2♦ opening = 11-15, short ♦, 3-suiter w 3-card M possible

ART responses to $1 \clubsuit$ opening ($1 \checkmark$ and higher = FG).

1♦-P-2 \checkmark / \diamondsuit = 5 \diamondsuit 4+ \checkmark less than inv / inv

1♦-P-3♣ = minors, less than inv

Transfers in comp. 1M-X, $1 \leftarrow -X$, $1 \leftarrow -2/3 \triangleq \& 1 \leftarrow -1/2 \triangleq by uph$ 2M-X, 1M overcall and neg X, opp's Michaels, opp's 3M

Lebensohl and better minor 2NT bids

Artificial raises. 1 under or 3 level cue often mixed raise.

2NT normally raise of openers M, splinters.

Pass/Correct bids. X to ask clarification when partner has multiple possible hand types.

2♣ response to 1M opening = FG but 2+ cards.

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

After 1♣ opening: If opponents bid above 3 of partner's

suit: X = fit and P requests X. If responder shows values

but no suit: X = takeout between $3 \checkmark$ and $4 \checkmark$. At $4 \diamondsuit$ and

IMPORTANT NOTES

Frequent upgrades of point count

can open lighter NV than V

PSYCHICS: light 3rd seat openings some tactical

OPE	A R	MI N. NO.	NE G.D				
NIN G	TI FI CI A L	OF CA RD S	BL TH RU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1.	X	0		16+ ART, F1. Upgrades common	All ART. 1•=0-7, others FG. 1 \checkmark = <5• 8+, 1•=5+• 8+, 1NT=5+ \checkmark 12+, 2m=5+m 12+, 2 \checkmark =12-13 or 16+ Bal, 2•=12+ any 4441, 2NT = 14-15 Bal, 3•• \checkmark • = weak with 7	1 ♣-1 • (1), 1 ♣-1 ♥ (2), 1 ♣-1 • (3), 1 ♣-1NT (4), 1 ♣-2 m (5), 1 ♣-2 ♥ (6), 1 ♣-2 • (7)	1NT = 8-10 5+•, 2m=8-10 6+m, 2M = 3-5 6+M
1•	X	2(1)	3♠	2+♦, 11-15, stiff honor possible	$1NT = 7-11$, $2m = F1$, $2\sqrt{\$} = 5\$4+\sqrt{\$}$ not inv / inv $2NT = \text{inv}$, $3\$=\text{minors weak}$, $3\$+=\text{preemptive}$	2-way NMF / 1NT.	
1♥		5(4 3 rd)	3♠	11-15, can be 4 and/or light in 3 rd .	1NT=semiF, 2/1=GF(2♣=2+), 2♠=inv with 1m, 2NT=FG Raise,3♠=♥inv or weak spl. 3♠=mixed ♥raise,3♥=weak, 3♠=any limited splinter, 3NT = ♠ void, 4m = m void, 4♥=to play, wide range.	1♥-1♠-2♦then 3any = inv+ transfers, 2-way NMF / 1NT. Special raises of 2m after 1M	2♣=Reverse Drury-Fit
1♠		5(4 3 rd)	3♥	same	Similar raises as over 1 opening. 3NT= min splinter, 4any=void, Game raise is wide range.	similar	same
1NT			3♠	14-16, 15-17 3 rd vul or 4 th	Transfers, 2♣=range ask or ♣, 2NT=♠,3♣=puppet, 3♠=5- 5minors GF, 3M=short, 4♣=Gerber, Texas	Secondary and competitive transfers	
2♣		6(5 3 rd)	3♠	11-15, Can be 5 and/or light in 3 rd .	2♦=ask,2M=NF,2NT□3♠for out or GF 2 suits, 3♠/♦/▼=inv+♦/♥/♠, 3♠=6♠4♥ GF, 4♠=mixed	2•: 2▼=4M, 2•=not bad, 2NT=nat, 3•=bad, 3•=good nat,3▼=5▼,3NT=5•,3•=solid•+	
2•	X	0	NO	11-15, short •: 4405, 4414, 3415, 4315	2♥=NF (correct w 3), 2♠/3♠=NF, 3♠=natural inv, 3M=inv, 4♠=mixed, 4♠=pick, 2NT = ask	2NT: 3♣=min,3◆=4414,3M=3M,3NT=4405, 2NT-3♣-3◆: 3M=3M,3NT=4414,4♣=4405	
2♥		6 (5)	NO	4-10, 6 card usually	New suit = F, $2NT = ask$, $4 - mod KC$	2NT: 3♣= max, 3♣=avg, 3M= worst, 3OM=game not slam. 3NT= 4OM decent	
2.		6 (5)	NO	4-10, 6 card usually	New suit = F, $2NT = ask$, $4 = mod KC$	Same subsequent shape inquiry after 2N	
2NT			3♠	19-21. 20-21 3 rd vul and 4 th	3♣ = stayman, transfer, $3♠$ = ♦+♣, $4♣$ = ♦, Texas slam try then can s/o, ask or tell		
3♣		6	NO	Preemptive	$3 \bullet \Box 3 ♥$ for NF M. $3M = F$, $4 \bullet = mod KC$		
3♦		6	NO	Preemptive	4 ♣ = mod KC		
3♥		6	NO	Preemptive	4 ♣ = mod KC		
3♠		6	NO	Preemptive	4 . = mod KC		
3NT	X		NO	Solid 7/8 Major 1st and 2nd	4♣ = Please transfer to M, $4♦$ = 8?, $4♥$ = P/C	4♣: 4♦=♥,4♥=♠	
				3/4 seat=to play			
4♣		7	NO	Preemptive	4♦ = mod KC		
4		7	NO	Preemptive	4NT = RKC		
4♥		7	NO	Preemptive	4NT = RKC		
4 ♠		7	NO	Preemptive	4NT = RKC		
4NT	X		NO	Blackwood		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5♣		7	NO	Preemptive	5♦ = RKC	RKC (03 14), can ask or show on several sequences, Kickback,	
5 ♦		7	NO	Preemptive	5♥ = RKC	Cue-bids can be 1 st /2 nd round controls. 3NT Serious Slam Try over 3M if	
5♥						GF and Major agreed. 5NT usually pick slam. If RKC X'd, then P=no	
5♠						control, XX=reverses captaincy and other is as if no dbl. WOODY(8).	

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

realys after 1C opener and M pos.
Artificial rebids after 2m response to 1M
Artificial suit agreement methods in 2/1 auctions after 1M
Many non-competitive switched auctions

Comprehensive defence to Multi 2D

Artificial rebids and responses in 1C strong auctions.

At Favourable vul we can act very light in 3rd and 4th position.