DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)

1-level: Light up to 18H 2-level: Sound Responses: without jump F1

Double jumps are Splinters. Cue-bid is a Good raise

Jumps include fit

Reopening in a suit up to 16H

After 1M overcall, 2NT in competition is 4+card support (3+ with Fit if no space) and INV +

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

15-18 hcp 2nd seat and 10-13 hcp 4th seat. Same responses after ♣ ♦ opening, Transfer after ♥ ♠ opening

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suit: Light jump overcalls, but NOT terrible red vs. green

2-Suit: 2NT = Two lowest suits (5+-5+) weak/strong

(1♥)-p-(2♥)-2NT=Both m

Reopen: 11-13 HCP, 6+ card suit

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

Direct cue-bid 2 suiter in the higher ranking suits

Jump cue-bids: Asks for stopper

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

2 ♣ Landy 2NT 5 ♣ 5 ♦

Other natural

VS. MULTI & OTHER TRANSFER OPENINGS

Dbl 13+ bal dbl then dbl 16+

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

Take-out DBL; (2x)-DBL => Transfer Lebensohl from 2NT

Cue-bid at 3-level: Asks for stopper

4m and jump m to 4m: That minor + other Major (5+-5+)

Over 3M: That minor + other Major (5+-5+), Rubensohl over 2 ♥ ♠

Over prempt at 3rd level, double asks for stopper

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣

Dble majors 1NT minors

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Redbl 9-11HCP Truscott after 1 ♥ ♠ inverted Truscott after 1 ♣ ♦

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3 rd/5th	3 rd//5th (ATT if supported)
NT	4th best	3 rd/5th (ATT if supported)
Subseq	Attitude	Attitude

Other: parity when opp have preempted

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AKx(x)	AK(x)
King	AK, KQ(x), AK 5-6-L	Show 3 honor cards
Queen	QJ(x)	KQ(x)
Jack	V10(x)	V10(x), K or A V10x(x)
10	109(x), H109	109(x), H109(x)
9	9x	9x
Hi-X	Even number	Attitude
Lo-X	Odd number	Attitude

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Encrg/Discrg	Count	Italian
Suit 2	Count	Lavinthal	
3			
1	Encrg/Discrg	Count	Italian
NT 2	Count	Lavinthal	
3			

Signals (including Trumps):

Hi-Low = Discrg/Even number, Low-Hi = Encrg/Odd number

First Italian discard odd = Encrg even = Disc

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Tend to show 3 suiter, more so if minimum of the range, 1above 10H in 2ndand above 8H in reopening

No neg double with wild distribution

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

All doubles all positions are for take-out or showing strength if this is not a forcing pass situation up to 4 ♠

When all players compete all suit bids are not forcing

Against 2 suiters, lowest cue-bid 4th suit FG, highest cue-, 4th competitive

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Green

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SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Best minor

5 card Major

1NT 14 1/2-17 H

2 ♣ strong, Acol style (19H at least) or 22-23H balanced

2 ♦ GF (19H at least)

2 ♥ ♠ weak

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

RB category include checkback, 3rd and 4th suit F1

2NT as artificial and minimum of the range after reverse

2NT always show support if partner has named ♥ ♠

1 ♣ ♦ 1 ♥ ♠; 3m + 1 artificial, forcing raise (mini splinter)

In competition if a bid is forcing at cheapest level, all bids at level +1 are preemptive. Same applies if cheapest bid is non forcing, bid at level +1 is forcing

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

Common sense at low level Pass is forcing up to committed level

Pass is forcing in GF situations and after 2 ♣ ♦ openings

At high level, pass and pull is stronger if situation is GF

IMPORTANT NOTES F1 forcing for 1 round F2 forcing for 2 rounds AF guarantee another bid GF forcing to game NB neutral bid RB relay bid DP including distribution points

PSYCHICS: 3rd seat opening may be weak

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	4♠	Best minor (priority can be given to indicate lead)	1♦ can be NB Others guarantee 4 cards Jumps are strong	Check back stayman 3 steps after 1NT rebid All second round jumps by resp	Rebid of 1NT after 3rd seat opening and double by opp
				Up to 22H		are forcing (raise, same or new suit)	shows 5 cards in ♣ ♦
						except when there is no space for RB	Over overcall, new suit F1
					1♣ ♦ 1♥; 2SA denies 4♠	After 2NT, other minor forcing	Dble after 3♥ ♠ primarily
1♦		3		12H + (10H in 3rd seat)	1♣ ♦ 1♥ ♠; 3SA long solid minor	1♦ 1♣; 2♦ NB 1♦ 2♣; 2NT 13½-14H	asks for stopper
				Up to 22H	3NT to play	Aft rev 2NT weak	Jumps after pass incl support
1♥		5		12H + (9H in 3rd seat)	2NT GF 3♣ 10-14DP with 3 cards support	After 2 NT all bids show controls	Drury with 2♦ NB
				Up to 19H	3♦ mixed raise 3♥ ♠ preemptive 3NT to play	After 2 over 1, 2NT forcing mini-max	5 cards after 1♣ 1♦
					1♥ 1♠; 2♥ 3♥ not forcing	After support trial bids in controlled suits	
1♠		5			1♦ ♥ 2♣ ♦; 2♦ ♥ 2♠ does not guarantee		5 cards after 1♣ ♦ 1♥
					5♣		
INT				14.5-17H balanced	Stayman 4 steps (8H +) After 2NT 3♣ ♦ texas	OM show support and chelem try	Rubenshol on overcalls
				54 or 6♣ ♦ or singl possible	After 2♦ Smolen & gerber Texas 2♦ ♥ ♠ SA	After min Texas, 3♥ ♠ SA sgle 3♦ m 2st	On dble, pass or rdble for lead
2♣	F1			19H + one suiter or 22-23H	2♦ RB		
				F2 ♥ 7.5 -9 tricks ♠ ♣ ♦	3♣ ♦ 6 cards in other m GF	Completion shows fit	
2♦	GF			19H+	2♥ RB	After ♣ ♦ transfer, 3NT limited	
					3♣ ♦ 6 cards in other m GF	After ♥ ♠ transfer, 3NT forcing non serious	
2♥		6		Weak 5-10H	Change of a suit F1, 2NT RB	On 2NT 3x H control, 4x shortness	
				Can be 7 cards			
2♠		6		May be 5 cards in 3rd NV vs V			
2NT				20-21H balanced	Stayman 4 steps with Smolen	Other M shows fit and chelem try	
				54 or 6♣ ♦ or singl possible	Texas, completion implies fit	Smolen then 4♥ 2sts limited to game	
				Same system after 2NT rebids	3♠ minor suit stayman 4♣ ♦ inverted slam try	Smolen in ♣ ♦ if continuation on 3NT	
3♣ ♦ ♥ ♠		7		Preemptive Can be 6 cards in 3rd or NV vs V	After 3♣ ♦, ns looking for 3NT, after 3♥ ♠ ns is cue-bid, G level bid to play		Can be stronger or weaker in 3rd seat
3NT				Solid minor 7 or 8 cards Solid minor 7 or 8 cards	4♣ pass or correct 4♦ RB control ask for singleton 4NT quantitative		
4♣ ♦ ♥ ♠		(7) 8		preemptive	4any cue-bid 4NT to play on 4♣ ♦		
4NT				Minor 2 suiter		**HIGH LEVEL BIDDING**	
5♣ ♦ ♥ ♠				Preemptive		Blackwood 30 41 2 2 and trump queen Queen ask if pos Kings Baron style	
						Italian style cue-bids, non serious 3NT in GF situations	
						Splinter bids	
						4NT quantitative immediately after NT bid, 4th suit, stayman or Texas and when a	
						support bid can be made below game level	
						4NT negative on chelem try in a minor	
						Last train in the last available cue-bid	