DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Aggressive NV

1on 1 forcing

2on 1non forcing

2on2 forcing except if third hand bids

Reopening natural

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

15-17

System on

10-14 except on 1S 12-16

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

NV weak

V intermediate

Reopen: intermediate

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

Michaels V and NV vs NV sound

Reopen 3C=both minors on 1M/ =H and Om on 1 minor

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

Multilandy

Dble =points

Reopening 2C=MM all the rest natural

" Dble points

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

T/O doubles

Leaping Michaels

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

Dble =suit

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Rdble =9HCP+

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3rd/fifth	same
NT	4th	attitude
Subsequent		

Other:

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	Ask for attitude	AKx
King	Ask for count	AKJxx/KQJxx/KQ10xx
Queen	QJxx	QJ10xx/KQ without J or 10
Jack	AJ10xx/KJ10xx/J109xx	J10xx
10	standard	standard
9	standard	standard
Hi-X	Even	same
Lo-X	uneven	same

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	count	count	Odd encouraging
Suit 2	Small encouraging		
3			
1	count	Smith low encouraging	Odd encouraging
NT 2	Small encouraging	count	
3			

Signals (including Trumps):

High low =even/Lavinthal/ask for ruff

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

classical

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Responsive doubles

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Nat DIVII BBC7
2026-2027
PLAYERS: Backes Jean-Marie 245
Engel Zvi 968

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

5542 opening a 4 card M exceptional but possible
Mostly in 3RD hand

2/1 except repetition of responder suit and 2C multi-purpose

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

2C weak D or FG

2D weak H or acol 2 in one of the other suits

2H weak S or acol 2 H

2S 5S-4+Min 5-10

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

IMPORTANT NOTES we play Gazilli

PSYCHICS: possible but rare

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		2+	4H	Natural non-forcing	Strong jump-shifts/2NT-FG w/o Majors/3levels double jumps pre-empt	Walsh/ after rebid 1NT two-way relay=2C trsfr D /2D FG /all rebids by responder at level 3 =forcing	Immediate cue –bid shows support invitational+
						3rd suit forcing	1min-2H after pass 5S+4H 6-9
1♦		4+	4H	same	Same but 3C=strong jump shift//3D positive nf	Rebid 1NT can be with singleton S	
1♥		5(4)+	4D	same	2NT =FG/2C either natural either 3 card support 9-11/3M pre-empt/ non –forcing 1NT response	1M-2C//2D natural or WAITING BID 1H-1S/2H-3H invitational	Drury 3C=nat 9-11/3D-3H fit bid
					Strong jump shifts	3N splinter OM	
1♠		5(4)+	4H	same	same		3D/3H fit -bid
INT				(14) 15-17 /6Min -54 distribution –K or A bare allowed	Non*forcing stayman 2N=natural invite/2S trsfer C any or D weak 3-level bids are trsfr 4C=Min 4D=both M	On responses 2D/2H on stayman 2S=FG relay	Negative doubles/rubensholon interventions /3D=OM/3M cue-bid =minors
						H	
2♣	!	0		FG or weak D	2NT-relay	3C any singleton 3D asks/	
					New suit forcing up to 3D	3D= minimum hand/3H/S= values Kokish+ special development	
2♦	!	0		Weak H or eight playing tricks in C/D/S	2NT relay new suit forcing 3H pre-empt/2D-2X//3NT gambling with good hand	3C low range/3D high Range/3S =S/3NT= C or D 2D-2X//3NT gambling with good hand C or D	
2♥	!	0		Weak S or eight playing tricks inH	2NT relay / new suit forcing /3S pre-empt	3C/low range/3D high range/3H=H/3S =6H+4S	
2♠		5		5S-4+Min 5-10	2NT relay /3C=p/c/3D and 3H non-forcing	3C=C minimum/3D=D minimum etc	
				Vul 5-5			
2NT				(19)20-21	Rosenkranz/ all 4 level bids are transfers/ 4NT 5C(322)	Transfer rectification=2cards	
3♣		6		Can be destructive NV against V	New suit forcing except on intervention		
3♦		6		same	same		
3♥		6		same	New suit control		
3♠		6		same	same		
3NT				Solid minor (gambling)			
4♣				Solid H suit 8 playing tricks			
4♦				Solid S suit same			
4♥				Pre-empt			
4♠				same			
4NT				Minor two suiter			

5♣						**HIGH LEVEL BIDDING**
5♦						
5♥						
5♠						