## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

1 Level: 7+hcp, perhaps less for extreme shape
2 Level: $10+$ hcp, can be less NV vs VUL
In RESP to overcall: 1 over 1 change of suit Forcing, 2 over 1 change of suit NF, 2 over 2 change of suit Forcing. 1NT 8-12,
2NT 13-15, 2 of opener's suit cue raise.
2NT over a bid or X is a 4 card raise: ( $1 \boldsymbol{\bullet}$ ) $1 \boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathrm{X}) 2 \mathrm{NT}$
1NT OVERCALL ( $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)


## LEADS AND SIGNALS

| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Lead |  | In Partner's Suit |
| Suit | 4ths (high from a bad suit) |  | 4ths, low from 3, high from 2 |
| NT | 4ths (high from a bad suit) |  | 4ths, low from 3, high from 2 |
| Subseq | Original natural count |  | Original natural count |
| Other: | K from AK doubleton |  |  |
| LEADS |  |  |  |
| Lead | Vs. Suit |  | Vs. NT |
| Ace | $\mathrm{AKx}(+), \mathrm{Ax}(+)$ |  | $\mathrm{AKx}(+), \mathrm{Ax}(+)$ |
| King | KQ(+) AK |  | KQ+ |
| Queen | Q J X |  | Q J 10 x |
| Jack | J 10 x |  | K J 10 x , J 10 X |
| 10 | 109 xx |  | $109 \mathrm{xx}, \mathrm{HT} 9$ |
| 9 | 9 x |  | 9xx, 98xx |
| Hi-X | $\underline{\mathrm{X}} \mathrm{x}$ |  | XXx, XXxx |
| Lo-X | $\mathrm{H} \times \underline{\mathrm{X}}$ (X) |  | HxxX, HxX, Hxx ${ }^{\text {x }}$ |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY |  |  |  |
|  | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lea | d Discarding |
| Suit $1^{\text {st: }}$ | Low = encouraging | Lo = Even | Low= encouraging |
| 2nd | S/P | S/P | S/P |
| $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ |  |  |  |
| NT: $1^{\text {st }}$ | Low = encouraging | Lo = Even | Low = encouraging |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ | S/P | S/P | S/P |
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Signals (including Trumps): $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$ in Trumps
Always suit preference when singleton or void in dummy

## DOUBLES

## TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

"Over an artificial bid that shows at least 2 other suits, first double $=$ values, second double $=$ takeout, third double $=$ penalties. This also applies when the opponents overcall no trumps."
Natural responses, cue bid GF
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
$1 *(1 *) X=4+\downarrow$

1 (1ヵ) $X=4$
After we have a 2 over 1 FG auction, a 2c opening, a strong 2nt enquiry or after we've agreed a suit we play a direct double is extra values without
a shortage in the Opponents suit.
X opposite a pre-empt or 2 suited bid is penalties

# CATEGORY: i.e Green Blue / Red / HUM / Brown Sticker: 

 NCBO: AUSTRALIAPLAYERS: TONY LEIBOWITZ, PAUL GOSNEY
EVENT Open/Women/Senior/Transnational)

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

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2hcp-8hcp preempts NV vs VUL
TRF RESPs to $1 \stackrel{2}{2}$
1NT RESP to $1 \mathrm{M}=6-11 \mathrm{hcp}$
1NT Openings: 14-17, may contain 5 card M or 6 card minor 2 OVER 1 RESPs: FG, except after intervention (doesn't apply to 1 m 2 m )

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
TRFs in RESP to $1 \boldsymbol{2}$ opening
$2 \star$ Opening $=5-9$, both MM ( $\left.4^{+} / 4^{+} \mathrm{NV}, 5^{+} / 4^{+} \mathrm{V}\right) 2-8 \mathrm{NV}$ vs VUL
2 Opening $=5-95+\uparrow$ NV 6+ 's VUL 2-8 NV vs VUL
2^ Opening = 5-9 5+ NV 6+ ↔’s VUL 2-8 NV vs VUL
3 NT Opening $=$ Gambling in $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ seats, to play $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $4^{\text {ths }}$
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SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
When FG established

## MPORTANT NOTES

2 way checkback Stayman
Double jump in new suit $=$ SPL raise
1 M (X or any) 2NT = 4 card SUPP, limit plus
PSYCHICS: rare


