DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Normal style, non-vulnerable 7^+ , vulnerable 8^+ , distribution can be Compensation for points. After an overcall on the 1 a new suit on the 1 level is forcing, same For 3 over 3, but 2/1, 2/2, 3/2 are not forcing After 1M overcall 2M-2 is invite fit, $2 - \P$ (if possible) other bids on the two level are transfers.

Transfers after (1x/2x) 2M (no jump) (p/D/2S) and (1m) 1M (D) 2N strongest raise after 1M overcall, jump cue = mixed raise

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

15-18, system on

4th seat 11-14 after minor, 11-16 after major

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak, can be very weak (1 HCP) non-vulnerable against vulnerable 3rd seat 0 and 12 points possible,

2NT response is asking shortness/min or max New suit NF

Reopen: 12-16

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

Always known two suiters 1M-2M oM+♦ ;1♥-2NT minors ;

1♥ 3♥ =♠+♠; 1♠ 2NT= ♥+♠; 1♠ 3♠ minors; 1m 2♦ majors

Non vulnerable: everything goes, Vulnerable reasonable hand 2N and 4th suit are invitational bids for the two suits

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

Multi Landy. 2 = MM; 2 = 1 suiter; 2M = 5M + m;

2NT=6m+4♥; 3m=6m+4♠ vs weakNT; 3m= weak vs strongNT

X = Penalty; if passed hand doubles it is Majors and 2♣ is natural After double bidding is forcing upon until 2♠

(1NT weak) D (pass) system on (1NT) D (bid) Transfer Lebensohl

After Landy 2N is asking -> 3♣ minimum

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

(non) Leaping Michaels and (3m) 4♦ is Majors, (2M) 3M is minors, (2/3♥) 4♥ is good hand with spades, (2/3♠) 4♠ = 1m good hand

Jumps are strong vulnerable, weak non-vulnerable vs 2-level bids

Transfer responses at the 1-level incl. 1NT

2X = X+X+1: 1 • overcall is •+• and 2N •+•

Responses: bidding NT is invitational

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

1M (D) we play transfers, jumping other Major is mixed raise

1M (D) 3m is weak, 2N is 4card fit invitational

1m (D) transfers, RD showing ♦ or ♥ depending on the minor

LEADS AND SIGNALS				
OPENING LEADS STYLE				
	Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Suit	135	135		
NT	Attitude	135		
Subseq	Attitude	Attitude		

Other: If we supported partner 135 (also from honours) with attitude.

Attitude leads from known length.

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AKx(x)	AKx(x)
King	AK (with a) stiff	KQx, AKJTx
Queen	QJ	(A)QJx, KQJ
Jack	(K)J10	(A/K)J10
10	(K/Q) 109	(A/K/Q) 109
9	9(x)	H(H)98(x) or 9x
Hi-X	Even	No honour. (T/9) 8 x
Lo-X	Odd	Honour

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding	
1	Attitude	Count	Odd/even	
Suit 2	Count	S/P Count		
3	S/P		S/P	
1	Attitude	Count	Odd/even	
NT 2	Count	S/P	Count	
3	S/P		S/P	

Signals (including Trumps): Low= encouraging or even

First discard Odd/even, lot of suit preference signals (like in trump)

Odd-Ball against NT: high from leader = switch, high from other = like lead

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Normal style, 10 HCP with perfect distribution, after 1m double can be offshape with 13 HCP, take out doubles by responder on the three level are GF, (1♣) D (pass) 1♦ shows 7-11 HCP, 2M 8-11 5crd, invitational With 4M we start with 2m

(1m) D (2m) we play transfers and forcing upon till 2N

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Support (Re)Doublet, GF doubles if opponents pre-empt on the three level, lead directing doubles on 3N, 1N-3N D asks spade lead

Double on 4NT is always asking to bid on, game invite doubles when

there is no space, if we have a minorfit, opponents bid 3♠ double is asking Stopper for 3N

After 1♦ overcall double shows 4/5 ♥ after, 1♥ overcall we play double as 4/5 spades, Game try double, double on splinter asks for next lower suit.

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Green: NCBO: Netherlands

PLAYERS: Danny Molenaar - Tim Verbeek

EVENT: Bermuda Bowl 2023

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Transfers over 1♣

2/1 GF, 1M 2♣ doesn't promise ♣

10-13 NT first and second seat white vs red

1♦ is usually 5 or 4441♣

Rebidding 1N after 1♣ transfer to M shows 18-20

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

Transfer over $1 \clubsuit: 1 \spadesuit = \heartsuit$; $1 \blacktriangledown = \clubsuit$; $1 \clubsuit - 1 \clubsuit = \text{No Major}$ $1 \clubsuit - 1 \text{NT} = \text{GF relay}$; $1 \spadesuit - 2 \clubsuit$ and $1 \text{M} - 2 \clubsuit = \text{GF relay}$ $1 \blacktriangledown - 1 \text{NT} = 5^+ \spadesuit$, $1 \blacktriangledown - 1 \spadesuit = \text{foreing no trump up to } 11 \text{ HCP}$

10-13 NT white vs red first and second seat, otherwise 15-17 Weak two's can be 5 white against red first seat

3N opening shows good 4M opening bid

1m 2M invite

1m 4m/om, good 4♥/♠ bid

1M 3M -1 any singleton splinter, direct splinters are voids

Transfers and switch in competition if we open on the 1-level

 $(1m) 2 \bigstar MM$, $2N om + \blacktriangledown$, $3m om + \bigstar (1 \blacktriangledown) 2 \blacktriangledown \bigstar + \bigstar (1 \blacktriangledown) 3 \blacktriangledown \bigstar + \bigstar 65$

(1♥) 2NT minors;(1♠) 2♠ ♥+♦ (1♠) 2N ♥+♣ (1♠) 3♠ (65 minors)

1x (1y) 2N = 5-5 in unbid suits 8 + HCP

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

Opening vs 10⁺

Red against white we bid game and opponents bid at 5-level, only

If we have opened after 2♣ opening bid

IMPORTANT NOTES

PSYCHICS: Rare

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	Danny Molenaar – Tim Verbeek Netherlands			
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1.		2	4♥	With every 4432 we open 1♣	Transfers, 1N GF relay, 2♣ GF♦, 2♦ = GF♣	Accepting transfer is 12-14 balanced or	Transfers and Switch
				With 18-20 3352 also 1♣	2M 8-11 6M; 2N weak raise, 3x weak	1444/1345 with unbiddable 5crd	After overcall on 1-level
1 ♦		5(4)	4♥	Only 4 with 4441♣	2♣ GF relay, inverted minor, 2M 8-11 6M 2N weak raise, 3x weak	1N is relay after 1♦ 1M	2N is 5-5 other two suits 8 ⁺ HCP
1♥		5	4♦		1♥-1NT 5+♠ 1♥-1♠ 0-4♠ 4-11 HCP 1♠-3♦ 8-11 6♥	After 2♣ 2♦ min, 2♥ ♣ 2♠ ♦ 2N 6M	After double transfers
					2♣ GF relay, 2N 7-13 3+M, 3M-1 any splinter, void	After 2N 3♣ asking and strong	Transfers and Switch
1 ♠		5	4♥		splinters	After 3M-1 3M asks	2N is fit
INT	X		4♥	10-13 NV/V 1 st and 2 nd seat Weak can be semi balanced	System on at 2 level, system off at three or four level		Transfer Lebensohl
			4♥	(14)15-17 other positions 6m/5M possible	2♣ staymanish transfers 4 ⁺ 2♠ size ask or minors 2N ask 4/5M; 3♠:4351/4315, 3♠:4441m 3M:1M444	After 2♣ 2x, 2N and 3♣ transfer After 2N 3♣ no 5M	Transfer Lebensohl
2.	X			Strong	New suit is good suit, otherwise 2♦ waiting	$2M = 4^+$ subsequent $2M+1$ is asking	Transfers and Switch
2♦		6(5)		Non vulnerable can be 5	2N forcing	3♣ is in between 3♦ min 3M max shortness	
					New suit not forcing		
2♥		6(5)		First seat favourable can be 5	2N forcing, new suit not forcing	3♣ min shortness, 3♦ max shortness in minor	
						3oM max shortness oM and max 3M min 3N no shortness max	
2.		6(5)		First seat favourable can be 5	2N forcing new suit not forcing	31 The shortness max	<u> </u>
2NT				20+-23 Strong balanced	3♣ muppet, transfers, 3♠ both minors	After 3♣ 3♥ denies Majors, 3N = 5♥	Transfers and Switch
					4x double transfer	After transfer accepting transfer = fit	
3.		6		Vulnerable likely 7	3♦ asking 3M, new suit non-vulnerable not forcing	After 3♦ 3M= 3oM 3N= no 3M	Penalty doubles
3♦		6		Vulnerable likely 7	New suit non-vulnerable not forcing		Penalty doubles
3♥		6		Vulnerable likely 7	4♣ Poor Man's Blackwood, 4♦ general ST, new		Penalty doubles
3♠		6		Vulnerable likely 7	suit non-vulnerable not forcing		Penalty doubles
3NT				Good 4M opening	4♣ ST ♠, 4♦ ST ♥ 4M poc, 4N asking aces		
4.		7		Preemptive	1 ₹ 51 ₹, 1¥ 51 ¥ 1W poc, 4N asking aces		
4 •		7		Preemptive			<u> </u>
4♥ 4♥		7(6)		Preemptive	1		
4 ♠		7(6)		Preemptive			
4NT	X	(-)		Both minors weak			
5 .		8		Preemptive		.HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5♦		8		Preemptive		RKC 1430, cuebids, non-serioius 3N, Last train, Ropi, Optional Kickback	
5♥						Exclusion blackwood 0314 (Ripo if doubled) Optional RKC for minor	
5♠						After asking aces next bid asks for trump Queen, if trump Queen is already shown Or denied, it is asking for kings. In both situation bidding a new suit shows that King or the other two, except if there is not enough space to show all. Non-serious 4m if minorfit is shown;	