

## Defensive and Competitive Bidding

### Overcalls (Style; responses: 1/2 level; reopening)

General Style = Sound

Reponses: Jump Raise = Preemptive

Cue-Bid = Forcing raise

New Suit = Forcing - jump shift = fit

In Balancing Position: Same

### Take-out double:

General Style = Can be light / shaped

Responses: Natural. Cue bid = Forcing

### 1NT overcalls (2nd/4th live; responses; reopening)

2nd Position = 15 - 18

Responses: Bid as 1NT opening

Natural

4th Position = 11 - 16

Responses: Natural

### Jump Overcalls: (Style; responses; unusual NT)

1-Suit : Natural;

Responses - New suit = forcing

### Direct and Jump cue Bids (Style; responses; reopen)

Direct Cue Bid = Michaels (Note 1)

### Vs NT (vs Strong/weak; reopening; pH)

Modified Cappelletti (Note 3)

### Vs preempts (doubles, cue-Bids; jumps; NT bids)

Take out doubles thru 4♥

Leaping Michaels

### Vs Artificial Strong Openings

### Over Opponents take out double

New suit forcing at 1-level

Jump Shift non-forcing

Double Jump = Splinter / 2NT = limit raise or better.

## Leads and Signals

### Opening Leads - style

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3rd / 5th	3rd / 5th
NT	Attitude	Attitude
Subseq		
Other	2nd from 4 small	

### Leads

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AKx;Axxx(+)	AK;AKx(+)
King	KQ;AK; KQ109x	KQ;AKJ10(x);
Queen	QJ; QJx(x)QJ; QJx(+);AQJx(+);KQx(+);	
Jack	J10; J10x(+); KJ10x(+)	
10	109; 109x(+); H109x(+); 10x 109;	
9	9x; 98x(+); 98x(+)	
Hi-x	Sx; xxS	Sx; Sxx; xSxx
Lo-x	HxS; HxSx(+); xSxx(+)	HxS;

### Signals in order of Priority

Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Hi/lo = E	Same Same
2	Lo=encouraging	
3	S/P	
1	Hi/lo = E	Same Same
2	Lo = encouraging	
3	S/P	

### Signals (including trumps):

Echo in trump suit shows ability to ruff

### Takeout Doubles (Style; responses reopening)

May be light with classic shape

Cue = F until a suit is bid twice;

New suit = F1

Reopen: same as above

### Special, artificial and competitive doubles/redoubles

Repeat same suit dble by Neg doubler = Take out (See Over minor Michaels: Major = stopper

Over Major Michaels: cue bid in opponents' major = limit raise

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### Standard Card

### Team Panama

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## System Summary

### General approach and Style

Natural, 5-card Majors

Longer Minor - 1D if 3.3

Weak jump raises over majors

1NT response = semi forcing

1NT Opening: 14+ - 17

2 over 1 response: Promises rebid

### Special Bids that may require defence

2♣ Opening = strong, near Game Force - any suit or 20 – 21 NT

2♦ Opening = Multi, Weak in a major or 22 – 23 NT

2♥ Opening = 5♥ + 5 minor

2♠ Opening = 5♠ + 5 minor

3NT Opening = 5 – 5 Majors < 10 HCP

2NT Overcall = two lower unbid suits

Michaels Cue-bids (Note 1)

Lebensohl after 2-level overcall of 1NT (Note 2)

Negative Doubles to 4♥

### Special Forcing Pass Sequences

At 5 level, pass shows 1 loser in opponent's competitive auction

### Important notes that don't fit elsewhere

Double Jump in new suit = Splinter if minor over major

Jump Cue Bid by Opener = Splinter raise

### Low Level Penalty Doubles

### Psychics:

Rare

Opening	Tick if Artificial	Min. No. Cards	Neg. Dbl. Thru'	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Modifications over Competition and with Passed Partner
Pass				Not an Opening Bid			
1♣		3	4♥	11 - 21 HCP	Single raise stronger than double raise  Weak jump shift (1♣ - 2 any)	4th suit forcing: game forcing; Reverses by opener forcing; by responder = Game forcing; Third suit = 1 Round Force	Jump Cue-bid over overcall = Splinter Cue bid for overcall = asks for a stopper Jump shift pre-emptive over overcalls
1♦		3	4♥	11 - 21 HCP	Single raise weaker than double raise  Weak jump shift (1♦ - 2 any)	As above	As above
1♥		5	4♥	11 - 21 HCP	1NT semi forcing, 5 - 11 points 2NT = Limit Jacoby with trump	Raises = weak. Re-raise = Pre-emptive	Cue bid over Comp = Strong Raise
1♠		5	4♥	11 - 21 HCP	As for 1♥		As for 1♥
1NT				14+ - 17 balanced	4 Suit Transfers: Note 9 1NT - 2♠ = Strength Ask Note 9	Over Stayman: rebids are Major invitational	Lebonsohl
2♣			4♥	Artificial, strong - near Game or 20 - 21 NT	Transfers	Cheaper minor = second negative thru 3♦	Natural
2♦	✓		4♥	Multi 2♦ Weak major or 22 - 23 NT			
2♥		5		6 - 10 HCP ♥ and a minor	New suit forcing 2NT asks for second suit		Natural
2♠		5		6 - 10 HCP ♠ and a minor	New suit forcing 2NT asks for second suit		Natural
2NT				5 - 5 Majors 6 - 10 HCP	2♣ asks for minor suit		
3♣		6+		Pre-emptive in any suit	New Suit forcing		
3♦						Slam Approach and Conventions (including all Slam-Interest Bids)	
3♥						Five - Ace Blackwood: RKCB (Note 6)	Cue Bids
3♠						Splinters	
3NT						GSF	
4♣		7		Pre-emptive	Natural	Juan Carlos Vega	Ed Antosz
4♦		7		Pre-emptive	Natural	Team Panama	
4NT				Blackwood			