DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Up to 17hcp, Usually 5 card suit

Responses: (i)UCB - 3+ support & 10+hcp

(ii)Jump cue - 7-9 hcp 4+ support – mixed raise

(iii)New suit - F1 unless passed hand

(iv) Responsive Dbl

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

2nd :15-17/18 – Responses as for 1NT opening

4th : 10-14 - Protective – shows stop

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak Jump in major - 6 card suit 6-10 non-vul, 8-10 vul.

Response: 2NT – Strength Enquiry; New suit – F1

2NT - 2 lowest unbid suits – 5/5+

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

Direct cue of a minor – Both Majors 5+/5+ (may be 5/4)

Direct cue of a major opening – other Major (5+) and a minor (4+)

Jump cue –Stopper ask except 1♣ – 3♣ natural over short club

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

DBL= Penalty of Wk NT 15+ hcp; ♣ & Major – Str NT

2♣ = both Majors (4+/4+) - 2D response – equal length

2♦ = ♦ and Major - 2♥ = P/C

2 Major- 5+M; 2NT- Minors; 3m – Nat.

PH : X = MM or mm, Response – better minor. 2x – natural

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

DBl - take-out

Vs Wk 2M; 2NT response to X - < 8hcp; 2NT – 16-18 systems on

Vs Wk 2M : 4m=5m+5OM; Vs Wk 2D: 2X –Nat, 3M – 5M&5C

Vs WK 3-level: Cue – 2- suiter ; 4NT – 2 lowest

Vs Multi 2D: X=16+; 2NT=15/18; 2M/3m=12/15 & 6-card suit

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

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

1M – X -2/3M Wk 3/4 card support; 2NT 10hcp+

XX – 10hcp+

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	2nd /4th, MUD, Top of Seq	Same
NT	2nd/4th	2nd/4th
Subseq	Std Att.	

Other:K for Count (Std) A –Att (Std)

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	A, AKx(+), Ax	AK xxx
King	AK+, KQ(+)	KQJ(+)
Queen	Q Jx(+)	Q J xx(+)
Jack	J 10 xx	(H) J 10xx
10	10 9(x)+	10 9 xxx
9	9x, T9x,98xx	
Hi-X		
Lo-X		

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Att. High Enc	Std Count	Suit Pref
Suit 2	Count on King	Suit Pref	
3	Suit pref		
1	Std Count	Std Count	
NT 2	Suit Pref	Suit Pref	
3			

Signals (including Trumps):

Std Count/Att

Suit Pref on Trumps

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

T/O to 4♠ incl; 16+ and Strong suit

Response to X: Cue – GF ; Jump – 8+ and Support

X in Pass-out may be weaker

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Support Dbl/Rdbl - 3 of responder's suit – 2-level

Competitive Dbl – good raise in competitive auction

Negative DBl – 1 level 6+ hcp, 2level 8+, 3 level 10+

Responsive Dbl; Lead-directing X over Artificial bid

Lightner Dbl

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Green

NCBO:

PLAYERS: **Orla McEntee & Deirdre O'Halloran**

EVENT: WBF Women's Online Teams Feb. 2024

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

15-17 NT & 5cM ; 2/1 GF ; Inverted Minors; Weak 2♦/2♥/♠

Checkback in other minor over 1 or 2 NT rebid

Std Count/Attitude; Discards – Suit Pref.

4 Suit Transfers; Non-Promissory Stayman; Smolen over 1NT

2NT –(19)20 -22hcp no 5cM

2♣ - 20-22 semi-bal with 5M/6m or 9 tricks in a suit/25+ bal

2♣ - 2♦ -2♥ - 2♠-2NT – 23-24 Bal

3rd hand openings may be light - 2♣ Drury Response

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

IMPORTANT NOTES

PSYCHICS: Highly rare

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE &PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		2	4♥	11-19 HCP	1NT 6-9/10 hcp; 2NT- 11/12 bal 3NT- 12+ bal 2♣ - 5+ Clubs, no 4cM,10+ hcp forcing 1 rd 2♦/♥/♠= 0-5 hcp 6 card suit 3♣ - 5+ Clubs 6-9 hcp, no 4cM, N/F(Inv min)	1NT rebid 12-14; 2NT 18-19;3NT long minor 1♣- 2♣-4♣ RKCB 0314	
1♦		4	4♥	11-19 HCP	Inv minor response shows 4D+ Then as above	As above with ♦	
					.		
1♥		5		11-19 HCP	1NT – 6-11 semi-F; 2♥-6-9; **3♥/4♥-wk** 4/5♥; 2♠= 0-5 hcp 6S	Long suit Trial bid;	2♣ - 10+hcp, 3+♥(Drury)
					2NT – 12+, 4♥+ GF; Splinters	3X /4X over 2NT – 0/1 X; 3♥ 16+;	
1♠		5			As Above	As Above	As above
INT				15-17 HCP bal/semi may have 5cM	Non-promissory Stayman; 4-suit transfers; 2♣ - ask for 4 or 5cM	1NT- 2♣-2♦-3M (4M+5other M) Smolen 1NT- 2♣-2NT min with 5cM -3M max 5cM	X of 2c – Stayman or pen if MM X then bid GF; Cue – stopper ask
							If X:XX – 5card suit;2x suits up
2♣	Yes			20-22 HCP 5M/6m or GF in suit or 23-24 bal or 25+ bal	2♦=relay	Bid suit or 2NT (20-22) with 5cM or 6cm 2♣ - 2♦ -2♥ - 2♠-2NT 23-24 Bal; 3NT (25+)	3C ask over 2NT rebid. Stayman/Trs over 3NT
2♦				6-10 HCP, 6♦	3♦- non-forcing raise; 2NT enquiry; New suit F1	Resp to 2NT: 3♦ - min; 3X – A/K in suit X	
2♥		6		6-10 HCP, 6♥	3♥- non-forcing raise; 2NT enquiry; New suit F1	Resp to 2NT: 3♥ - min; 3X – A/K in suit X	
2♠		6		6-10 HCP, 6♠	As for 2♥ opening	As Above in suit	
2NT				(19)20-22 HCP – no 5cM	3♣ - suits upwards 3♦/♥- Transfers; 3♠-5♠/4♥	2NT – 3♣: 3M -4OM RKCB 0314	
				May have 2dbltons	4NT – Quantitative	2NT – 3X -3NT: 4♣/4♦ RKCB 0314	
3♣/3♦		6+		Pre-empt – usually 7	New suit F1; 4♣/4♦ Key Card		
3♥/3♠		6+		Pre-empt – usually 7	New suit F1; 4♥/4♠ to play; 4NT – RKCB 0314		
3NT		7+		Solid Minor – no outside A/K	4C – P/C		
4♣		7+		Pre-empt – usually 8			
4♦		7+		Pre-empt – usually 8			
4♥		7+		Pre-empt 7/8 may be str 3rd/4th			
4♠		7+		As above			
4NT				Specific Ace ask	5♣ - None; 5X – Ax; 5NT – 2 aces; 6♣ - A♣		
5♣		7+		Pre-empt – usually 8+		**HIGH LEVEL BIDDING**	
5♦		7+		Pre-empt – usually 8+		RKCB -0314; 5NT – Specific Kings; Exclusion Blackwood	
5♥				Strong	6♥- A/K; 7♥ - AK♥	Minorwood	
5♠				Strong	6♠- A/K; 7♠ - AK♠	DOPI & ROPI; Cue –1st & 2nd	