

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
1 level seldom a 4 card suit (normally 5), range is 8-16 pts
2 level 5+ Cards – 10+ Points if good suit or good shape NVul
Responses: Cue Bid= 10+ points and 3 card support
1NT immediate Overcall shows 15 to 17 Points
All jump overcalls are Weak
1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
2 nd 1NT Overcall shows 15 to 17 points
4 th 1NT Overcall shows 11 to 14 points
Responses to 1NT are same as opening 1NT – (Systems On)
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
2NT=5-5 in the two lowest suits
Weak Jump Overcalls – (5-10 points, usually 6 cards)
Reopen: Opening Hand or Better
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Direct cue shows 5/5 in hearts/spades – unlimited values
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
Cappelletti - 2♦ = Both Majors; 2♣ = Single Suited
2♥/2♠ = named suit and a minor, 2NT asks for minor
Double is for penalty
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
DBL = Takeout thru 3♠; 3NT = to play.
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
With 'fit' – stretch, 2N, good raise or natural

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	4th/2nd	Hxx	
NT	4th/2nd	Hxx	
Subseq	Attitude High = encourage	Attitude High = encourage	
Other:	Top of Nothing	Top of Nothing	
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	Ask for Attitude	Ask for Attitude	
King	Ask for count	Count and/or unblock	
Queen	QJ(x)	KQ(x), QJ(x)	
Jack	J10(x)	J10: KJ10: AJ10	
10	3rd / 5th	2nd / 4th	
9	Poor suit	Poor suit	
Hi-X	Top of Doubleton	Normally shows no interest	
Lo-X	Implies Honour / Singleton	Implies Honour	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Attitude High Enc	Count (H-L = Even)	Odds/Evens
Suit 2	Count (H-L = Even)	Odds/Evens	Count (H-L = Even)
3	Odds/Evens		Odds/Evens
1	Attitude (High Enc)	Count (H-L = Even)	Odds/Evens
NT 2	Unblock K		
3	Suit Preference		
Signals (including Trumps):			
[O/E aka Roman Discards] Discard of an Odd card shows interest in that suit			
Discard of an Even card is Lavinthal (McKenney)			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
11+ points takeout			
Reopening 8 + points			
Some low level X transfers especially after 1 level opening and overcall			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
Negative X = 6 HCP at 1 level, 8+ at 2 level. showing the other major			
Double of a conventional bid shows lead directive			
Support doubles and redoubles			
1NT response over interference is 8+ & stops in bid suit			
Neg X does not promise both missing suits			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: i.e. Green / Blue / Red / HUM / Brown Sticker:
NCBO: Cyprus Bridge Federation
PLAYERS: Sue Birchall and Jane Moss
EVENT: World Bridge Federation Women's Online Teams 2024
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
5 Card Major – SAYC - RKCB 3041
1NT response = Not Forcing
1♣=2+ cards 1♦=4+ cards
1♥/♠=5+ cards
1NT=15-17 and 2NT is 21/22 hcp and 2D 23+.
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
Weak 2's in the Majors ♥.♠
2♣ is 19-21 Hcp balanced or 8 Playing Trick Hand
2♦ Opening is 23+ Points
1 Major opening can be light on hcp (9+) if shapely NVul .
Transfers are on over 1NT/2NT opening or overcall
Pre-empts can be light when we are NVul and Ops VUL
1NT Opening can have 6 in a minor/
Strong NT (15-17), upgrade a number of 14's with 5 card suit and good intermediates with attention to vulnerability
Fit Jumps in competition
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
When it is clear opponents are sacrificing
IMPORTANT NOTES
Fourth suit forcing, but not after 1♣-1♦-1♥-1♠
May open light in 3rd seat.
PSYCHICS: Very unusual

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		2	4♥	11-14 bal, 18-19 bal or natural	Suits 0+ points, 4+ Card Suit 1NT 6-(9)10 points and usually denies a Major	Change of Suit is Forcing.	
1♦		4	4♥	11-14 bal, 18-19 bal or natural	Suits 5+ points, 4+ Card Suit 1NT 6-(9)10 points and usually denies a Major	Change of Suit is Forcing.	
1♥		5	4♦	10-21 with a 5 Card Suit	Direct Support. 1♠ shows a four card spade suit and 5+ points		Fit Jumps, 2NT 4 card support Cue of ops suit shows 3 card sup
1♠		5	4♦	10-21 with a 5 Card Suit	Direct Support. Splinter		Fit Jumps, 2NT 4 card support Cue of ops suit shows 3 card sup
INT				15-17 balanced – or Semi Bal	Stayman, Transfers, Gerber, 3 Level Slam Interest 2♠ transfer to ♣ if 17 points otherwise bid 2NT	Super Accept if 17 points with 4 card support	
2♣	X			19-21 Bal or 8 Tricks in Hand	2♦ Waiting bid.		
2♦	X			23+ points or 3 losers (Forcing)	2♥ Waiting bid. Other bids natural, positive hand.		
2♥		5		Weak	Pass or correct / Ougust	Natural / Ougust Responses	
2♠		5		Weak	Pass or correct / Ougust	Natural / Ougust Responses	
2NT				20 – 22 BAL - May have 5cM	Stayman, Transfers, 4NT Quantitative		
3♣		(6) / 7		Weak	Pass or correct		
3♦		(6) / 7		Weak	Pass or correct		
3♥		(6) / 7		Weak	Pass or correct		
3♠		(6) / 7		Weak	Pass or correct		
3NT				Running Minor no side A or K	4♣ is pass or correct		
4♣		(7) / 8		Pre-emptive			
4♦		(7) / 8		Pre-emptive			
4♥		6+		Pre-emptive to play	4NT = RKCB Asking Aces		
4♠		6+		Pre-emptive to play	4NT = RKCB Asking Aces		
4NT	X	5 / 5		Both Minors 5 / 5			
5♣		(7) / 9		Pre-emptive – With no defence		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5♦		(7) / 9		Pre-emptive – With no defence			
5♥		(7) / 9		Pre-emptive – With no defence		RKCB (03/14) ♣ Shows 3 or 0 and ♦ Shows 1 or 4	
5♠		(7) / 9		Pre-emptive – With no defence		KING ASK reverts to B/WOOD – Showing how many Kings minus K of Trumps	
						4♣ response to 1NT or 2NT is Gerber 4♦0/4, 4♥ 1, 4♠ 2, 4NT 3	
						5♣ ,5♦0/4, 5♥ 1, 5♠ 2, 5NT 3	



WBF Convention Card Supplementary Sheet

Cappelletti

A **X** is for Penalties with a holding of 15+ Points

- 2♣ Shows a one-suited hand (any suit, normally 6+ cards) with 11-14 points
- 2♦ Shows at least 5-4 or 4-5 in hearts and spades, asks p to correct to either major
- 2♥ Shows at least 5-5 in hearts and a minor
- 2♠ Shows at least 5-5 in spades and a minor
- 2NT Shows at least 5-5 in ♣ clubs and ♦ diamonds

Gerber - 4♣ Response to a No-Trumps Bid

- 4♦ shows 0 or 4 aces.
- 4♥ shows 1 Ace
- 4♠ shows 2 Aces
- 4NT shows 3 Aces

If happy with partner's response, the Gerber bidder can bid 5♣ to ask for kings and the answers are the same as above but one level higher. E.g. 5♦ shows 0 or 4 aces.

1NT DOUBLED by Ops for Penalty

1NT – X – XX Wriggle Redouble is typically "SOS", forcing opener to bid 2♣, 2♦, trf to ♥, 2♥ trf to ♠. with no 5 card suit, & no intervention, forcing pass by responder & re-double by opener, pass or scramble for best fit

Losing Trick Count Responses to Weak 2♥ / 2♠ Major Openers

Typically a Weak 2 Opening hand is 8 / 7 Losers
Responses to Weak 2♥/♠ can be GAME with 6 losers or raise with 7 losers.

A Pre-Empt 3 Level Opening has typically 7 / 6 Losers

Responses to Weak 3 Openings can be GAME in ♥/♠ with 7 or less losers.

Ogust Responses - [2NT Response] to partners Weak 2 Opening

- ♣ Shows Bad hand (5-7 p) with **one** of the top 3 honours in pre-empted suit
- ♦ Bad hand (5-7 points), holding **two** of the top three honours
- ♥ Good hand (8-10 points), holding **one** of the top three honours
- ♠ Good hand (8-10 points), with **two** of the top three honours
- 3NT – Shows a good hand (8-10 points) and holding the **A, K, Q** in the suit.

Two Suits Overcall –Showing 5 / 5 distribution

Cue bid of the openers suit shows the two highest unbid suits
2NT Shows 5-5 in the two lowest-ranking suits

Roman Discards – Odds / Even

Discard of an Odd card shows interest in that suit (**3, 5, 7, 9** Encourages)
Discard of an Even card is Lavinthal **2, 4** come the two lower suits, **8, 10** come the higher of the side suits.

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- [5 ♣ Shows 0 or 3 Key Cards] including the King of Trumps
- [5 ♦ Shows 1 or 4 Key Cards] including the King of Trumps
- [5 ♥ Shows 2 or 5 Key Cards] without the Queen of Trumps
- [5 ♠ Shows 2 or 5 Key Cards] with the Queen of Trumps

4NT - KING ASK reverts to REGULAR BLACKWOOD – Showing how many Kings minus the previously shown KING of Trumps
6 ♣ Shows 0 Kings, 6♦ Shows 1 King, ♥ Shows 2 Kings, ♠ Shows 3 Kings

Strong 2♦ Opening is 23+ Points

Relay to 2♥ [Waiting Bid]

Transfers after 1NT Openings

After a 1NT Opening [15-17 points] :-

- 2♣ Stayman
- 2♦ Asks you to transfer to ♥ - Super Accept if 17 points with 4 card support
- 2♥ Asks you to transfer to ♠ - Super Accept if 17 points with 4 card support
- 2♠ from p is asking you to bid 2NT if you are minimum and 3♣ if you have 17 Points. This can then be subsequently passed or corrected to ♦s to play a weak hand in the minors.
- 2NT – Invitation to 3NT
- With intervention X is I wanted to make that bid