

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
NV: Very light, 1 lvl resp F, 2lvl resp NF constructive
Jump cue weak, 1X-2X mixed, Jump shift F1, NAT
After Opp's DBL: TRF, TRF to opener's suit is a cue bid,
2NT = 4 card raise, TRF to our suit is weak, bidding suit const, by PH showing a limit raise after a DBL promises a top honor
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
Direct: 15-18, systems on
Balancing after 1M open 12-16, after 1m open 11-15
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
PRE, decent trick taking hand
UNT: lowest 2; (1♠)-2♦=both Majors; (1m)-2♥=4♠s, longer♥s; (1m)-2♠=♠ & om; (1M)-3m m & oM; (1M)-2M = 4OM, longer♣s
Reopen: Intermediate, NAT
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
(1X)-P-(1Y): 2X is always Micheals
(1m)-P-(1NT): 2m: Both Majors, 2♣ longer♥s; 2♦ longer♠s
(1M)-2M: 4 oM &♣s
(1♦)-2♦Michaels unless 1♦ could be 0-2, then 2♥ & 3♦ Majors
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
Direct vs both: 2♣ = Majors, 2♦ = 5+♥s, 2♥ = 5+♠s,
2NT = 4♥ & 5+ m; DBL PEN
By PH or balancing: DBL =♣s + M or♦s; 2♣ = MM; 2♦ =♦ & M; 2M NAT
VS.PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
(2M)-3M = 5 ⁺ -5 ⁺ ♠s & OM; (2M)-4♣ = 5 ⁺ -5 ⁺ ♠s & OM,
(2M)-4♦=OM, str; (2M)-4OM and (2M)-4NT=mm, 4OM stronger
Lebensohl after TO DBL of (2M),
2NT NAT after (2m NAT)-DBL; (2♣)-DBL-(P)-2♦ Lebensohl
(2M)-4m: 5m & 4OM FG, (2M)-4M minors, better than 4N
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
Vs 1♣: DBL Majors, INT 5-5 Majors, 2♦ one minor;
2M 5 ⁺ Major, 4 ⁺ minor; 2NT minors
Vs 2♣: DBL = clubs
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
TRF after 1m NAT, 1♦ Precision, and 1M open
Some ART 2-lvl bids

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	3 rd /5 th	3 rd /5 th	
NT	4 th	3 rd /5 th	
Subseq	2 nd /4 th , 3 rd /5 th thru dummy	2 nd /4 th , 3 rd /5 th thru dummy	
Other: Against NT: 4 th best, ATT through dummy			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	Ax(x), AK	Akx(x)	
King	AKx+, KQ	Asks unblock, count	
Queen	KQx+, KQ, QJ, AKQx	KQx(x), KQJx(x), AKQx	
Jack	QJx(x), QJ	QJx(x), KQJx(x)	
10	JTx(x), AJT(x), KJT(x)	JTx(x), AJT(x), KJT(x)	
9	T9x(x)	T9x(x)	
Hi-X	Xx or raised partner	Xx, xxx, xxxx	
Lo-X	3 rd /5 th	4 th best	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	UD ATT	UD CT/STD SP	UD ATT
Suit 2	UD CT	STD SP	UD ATT
3	SP	STD SP	UD ATT
1	UD ATT	STD SP	UD ATT
NT 2	UD CT		
3	SP		
Signals (including Trumps):			
Trump SP, UDCA, SP in Smith situation			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
Aggressive at 1 level			
Cuebid response = MM, constructive, or a good hand			
Equal level conversion after PRE at 4D level or lower			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
(1♥)-DBL-(3♥)-DBL = good 3♠			
Maximal, snapdragon, and responsive DBLS			
RDBL after overcall is doubleton – values with 2 card support			
Support DBL/RDBL: applies after 1♦ response, and after 1NT overcall, but not mandatory; above 2 of our Major, doesn't show 3 card support, just values.			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: Red
NBO: USBF
PLAYERS: Joe Grue – Brad Moss
EVENT: Open
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Precision in 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd seats NV & 4 th seat always
Sound, NAT system with relays 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd VUL
1NT: NV 1 st , 2 nd : 14-16; 3 rd 12-16, Vul & 4th 15-17
FG Relays over 1M; 2/1 bids show special hands [16,17]
NV openings can be as light as 8 HCP
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
1♦-2♥ & 1♣ NAT-2♦: 5 ⁺ ♠s 4 ⁺ ♥s, less than INV
1♦-2♠ & 1♣ NAT-2♥: 5 ⁺ ♠s 4 ⁺ ♥s, INV
1♦-3♣: both minors, less than INV
ART responses to 1M opening bids [16,17]
When playing Precision: 2♦: 10-15 (43)15, 4414, or 4405, except in 3 rd seat NV, then NAT 10-15
3NT 1 st & 2 nd : 5 ⁺ -6 ⁺ or 6 ⁺ -5 ⁺ Majors
1♥-2♦ and 1♠-2♥ = 3-card LR or bad FG raise
Very light favorable vul overcalls
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
PH opponent raises partner's preempt to game
IMPORTANT NOTES
PSYCHICS: rare

NOTE 0: Leads

Against suits, 3/5 + Rusinow, 2/4 through declarer

Against NT, 4th best except 3/5 in partner's suit, 2/4 through declarer, Rusinow

Rusinow exceptions:

Not on if preemptor leads a different suit

Not in partner's shown suit, including implied suits ie (1S)-X, partner has "shown" oM.

Not on in dummy's or declarer's known suit.

NOTE 1: Responses to 1♣ Precision Opening

- 1♦ 0-7
- 1♥ 12+ not hearts unless 3532 with balanced shape then 2♣ after 1♠
- 1♠ Hearts 8+
- 1N 8-11 spades
- 2♣ 8-11 all balanced hands
- 2♦ 8-11 5+ diamonds with a second suit
- 2♥ 8-11 5+ clubs with a second suit
- 2♠ 8-11 single suited diamonds with shortness or 7222
- 2N 8-11 single suited clubs with shortness or 7222
- 3♣ 8-11 6322 with diamonds
- 3♦-3NT 8-11 4441s DTL, Mulberry after

NOTE 2: Rebids after 1♦ Response to 1♣ Precision Opening

- 1M F1, 4+ bid Major, could have longer minor
- 1N 17-19(20) 1st/2nd/3rd NV. 18-19(20) 4th Full system on.
- 2♣ 16-21 5+ bid minor, no 4M
- 2♥ Kokish, either a strong 2 in ♥ or 24+ balanced GF
- 2♠ Strong 2-bid in spades
- 2N 21-22
- 3m 5+ bid minor, FG no 4M
- 3M Splinter with 55m, FG
- 3N To play

After 1♣-1♦-1M, 2♣/2♦ show 6-7 <2M/3M. Over 2♣, 2♦ is a weak relay.

NOTE 3: Rebids after 1♥ Response to 1♣ Precision Opening

- 1♠ Relay
- 1N/2♣/2♦/2♥ 5+♠/♥/♦/♣
- 2♠ 16-18 Any 4441 or 544 with 5♠ specifically
- 2N 16-18 Any void 544 with 5♥
- 3♣ 16-18 Any void 544 with 5♦
- 3♦/♥/♠ 16-18 0445/4045/4405

After 1♣ - 1♥ - 1♠, 1N+ are as 1♣ - 1N+ but now show 12+ HCP

NOTE 4: 1♠, 1N, 2♦ 2♥ Responses to 1♣ Precision Opening

After these bids all showing 5+ in ♥/♠/♣/♦, the next step starts a shape showing relay.

Steps 2-4 show 5+ in the other three suits down the line. Over 1♠ and 1NT: Step 5 shows 4450 or 4441 hands. Steps 6-8 are void splinters. Over 2♦ and 2♥: Step 5 sets the suit shown by responder and demands cues. Higher steps do not exist.

NOTE 5: 2♣ Response to 1♣ Precision Opening

- 2♦ Relay
- 2♥/♠ ♠/♥
- 2N Modified asking, only game and major interest
- 3♣/♦ ♦/♣

NOTE 6: Passed Hand Responses to 1♣ Precision Opening

- 1♦ 0-6, except 4th seat V then 0-7
- 1M Other Major, 7-9, except 4th seat V then 8-11
- 1N Natural 7-9/8-11 NV/V
- 2♣+ All drop down a level from UPH responses, 7-9, except 4th seat V then 8-11

NOTE 7: Competition after 1♣ Precision Opening

In general, we show suits in reverse order (♠/♥/♦/♣) over interference, with NT always being natural. Pass is 0-7, X is GF. Example:

1♣ (2♣ Natural)-2♦/2♥/2♠ show ♠/♥/♦; 2N Natural

Against suction, pass then double is a GF in the single suit opponents could have.

Bidding the fourth suit shows a 3-suited hand. NT is always natural.

NOTE 8: Responses to 1♣ Natural Opening

- 1 level NAT
- 2♣ Inverted
- 2♦/♥ 5+♠, 4+♥ less than INV/INV (also applies after DBL/overcall)
- 2♠ PRE
- 2N 12+ GF
- 3♣ Mixed (also after DBL/overcall)
- 3♦/♥/♠ SPL
- 3N 16-18

NOTE 9: Subsequent Action Over 1♣ Natural Opening

- 1♣ - 1♦ - 2♦ shows reverse values
- 1♣ - 1♥ - 3♦ shows 6+♠ 3♥
- 1♣ - 1♥ - 4♣ SPL in ♦ for ♥
- 1♣ - 1♥ - 4♦ 5 level drive
- 1♣ - 1♠ - 3♦/♥ 6+♠ 3♠ SPL
- 1♣ - 1M - 1N now 2♦ is GF relay, 2♣ is a relay to 2♦ with a variety of hands

NOTE 10: Responses to 1♦ Precision Opening

- 1♥/♠ 4+
- 1N Up to 11
- 2♣ 3+♣, FG unless 6+♣ or both minors invitational, By PH, NAT, NF
- 2♦ 5+♦, FG, unless 6+♦ invitational or 5+4+ mm invitational. By PH, natural NF
- 2♥ 5+♠ 4+♥ non-invitational, same by PH
- 2♠ 5+♠ 4♥ invitational, same by PH
- 2N 12-13
- 3♣ 5+4+ mm non-invitational
- 3♦ 6+♦ non-invitational
- 3♥/♠ Preemptive
- 3N 14-16, opener not expected to bid again
- 4♣/♦ Preemptive
- 4♥/♠ & 5♣/♦ To play, Wide range
- 4N Ace asking (0/4, 1, 2, 3)

NOTE 11: Rebids after 1♥ Response to 1♦ Precision Opening

- 1♠ All hands 4+♠, now 2♣ is GF relay, 2♦ INV hands
- 1N Balanced no 4♠ now 2♦ is GF relay, 2♣ INV hands
- 2♣ 5+4+mm, not 64
- 2♠ 6♦ 3♥, good hand
- 2N Good raise, splinter
- 3♣ Good concentrated 55mm NF
- 3♦ Denies 3♥
- 3♥ Concentrated 6+♦, 4+♥
- 3♠ 7♦ solid
- 3N Raise with void in other major
- 4♣ Void
- 4♥ Gambling probably 65

NOTE 12: Rebids after 1♠ Response to 1♦ Precision Opening

- 1N Natural, can be 1444, 1(43)5 or 1453, not supposed to be 22(45), now 2♦ is GF relay, 2♣ INV hands, 2♥ puppets 2♠ for slam try, 2N puppets 3♣
- 2♣ 54+ either way
- 2♦ 6+, could have 4♣
- 2♥ 6-3
- 2♠ May have 3 only if 3-4-5-1 or 3-1-(54) not great, or 63
- 2N 4 card splinter + good hand
- 3♣ 55 strong concentrated, NF
- 3♦ Denies 3♠
- 3♥ Good 5-6 NF

NOTE 13: Rebids after 2♣ Response to 1♦ Precision Opening

- 2♦ 5+, 2♥ relay
- 2♥ Weak NT
- 2♠ 4+♣, unknown splinter
- 2N Min, 4441
- 3♣ Usually 5, balanced
- 3♦ Some extras, decent suit

NOTE 14: Rebids after 2♦ Response to 1♦ Precision Opening

- 2♥ Weak NT (2-4♦)
- 2♠ 4+♦ unknown splinter, 2N asks
- 2N Wants to declare
- 3♣ (41)-3-5, 3♦ asks
- 3♦ 4+♦ balanced

NOTE 15: Competition after 1♦ Precision Opening

- 1♦ (1N) 2♣ is majors
- 1♦ (X) XX, 1♥, 1♠ are TRF
- 1♦ (1♥) 2♥ is 6+♠
- 1♦ (1♥) 2♠/3♣ is both minors INV/weak
- 1♦ (2/3♣) TRF by UPH

NOTE 16: Responses to 1♥ Opening

- 1♠ Like a forcing NT; any number of ♠
- 1N FG relay
- 2♣ 5♠ constructive – inv
- 2♦ Limit raise with 3♥
- 2♥ Natural constructive
- 2♠ 6+♠, anything Precision, < inv in nat. Resps like weak 2 (3♣ good ♥, 3♥ to play)
- 2N Jacoby
- 3♣ Limit or bad GF or good 1M-4M in natural
- 3♦ Preemptive raise
- 3♥ Mixed
- 3♠ Mini-splinter anywhere with exactly 1
- 3N/4♣/♦ Max splinter (3N spade SPL) with exactly 1
- 4♥ Wide range
- 4♠ To play
- 4N Straight aces
- 5♣/♦ To play

Over a 3rd seat NV 1♥ opening, 1♠ through 2♦ are transfers, with 2♦ showing a limit raise

NOTE 17: Responses to 1♠ Opening

- 1N Less than GF
- 2♣ FG relay
- 2♦ 5♥ (sometimes 6) constructive—invite
- 2♥ 3 card limit raise
- 2♠ Constructive
- 2N Jacoby
- 3♣ 6+♥ wide ranging
- 3♦ Limit or bad GF or good 1M-4M in natural
- 3M PRE/mixed raise
- 3N Weak splinter somewhere, not void
- 4♣/♦/♥ Good splinters, not void
- 4♠ Wide ranging

Over a 3rd seat NV 1♠ opening, 1N through 2♥ are transfers, with 2♥ showing a limit raise

NOTE 18: Responses to 1N Opening

Over 14-16 or 15-17 NT:

- 2♣ Stayman
- 2M Transfer, 2♦ includes minors FG
- 2♠ ♣ or balanced
- 2N Puppet
- 3♣ 6+ diamonds
- 3♦ 4441 or 445 with shortness in minor
- 3M SPL in bid Major, 4 cards other major, 44 or (45) minors
- 4♣ Gerber
- 4♦/♥ Texas
- 4♠ 5♦ (332) INV
- 4N 4333 INV

Over a 12-16 NT 3rd seat NV:

- 2♣/♦/♥ Same as 15-17
- 2♠ Weak with ♣, ♦ or both
- 2N INV with ♣+♦
- 3♣/♦ NAT INV
- 3M 3 card Major, 55 ♣ & ♦

NOTE 19: Responses to Strong 2♣ Opening

- 2♦ Waiting
- 2♥ Spades, FG, usually 5 card suit to at least 3 of the top 5
- 2♠ Balanced, 8-10
- 2NT Hearts FG, usually 5 card suit to at least 3 of the top 5
- 3m Other minor, FG