| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING | | LE | ADS AND SIGNA | LS | | W B F CONVENTION CARD |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening) | OPENING LEADS STYLE | | | | | CATEGORY: GREEN |
| 1 Level – 7-17 (can be lower with shape) HCP 5+ cards (rarely 4), New suit by | | Lead | | In Partner's | Suit | NCBO: INDIA |
| advancer at a) 1 level - 8+ HCP, 4+ card, after this cue sows inv+ hand with no | | | op from xx | PLAYERS: KAUSTUBH BENDRE – SAYANTAN KUSHARI | | |
| 4 card supp and, 2 level supp shows min .with 4, jump supp is inv with 4, jump cue | NT | Top, 2nd or 4th | | Top, 2nd or 4 | 4th | EVENT: ALL |
| is strongest invite with 4 [7] b) 2 Level- Constructive non-forcing -10-14/15 HCP, | Subseq | Same or Attitud | le. | Same or Att | titude. | SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| 5+ (usually 6+) New suit after 2 level overcalls - One round forcing. Single Jumps | Other: Vs NT Ac | ce lead asks for Co | unt or UBLk, King | lead asks for | Attitude, Queen lead | GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |
| are fit showing, double jumps are spl, if only one jump is available then spl. | asks for Unblock or Attitude. However, if the partner of the leader has shown 4 or more | | | | | 5 Card Majors (Semi-F 1NT), m opening 3+, 1D shows 4 unless 4432 |
| Cue = 9+ with fit or any GF w/ or w/o fit. Jump cue shows 4+ cards, 6-9 HCP, | cards, then A/K/Q leads are same as they would be against a suit contract. | | | | | Walsh responses over 1C. |
| jump raise is pre-emptive. If two cue bids are available, cheaper one is LROB w/3 | | | er, 3/5 or 4 th (deper | | Nat weak 2 Bids (2 nd seat Sound). | |
| card or any GF and the higher one is LROB w/4+ support, | | | id a) leader has sup | | Wide Range Overcalls. Frequent WJO. | |
| 2NT by passed hand after 1 level O/C is LROB with 4+ support | against trump and | l NT, b) if leader ha | as not supported the | e suit, then 3/ | 1NT : (14)15-17 (Possible 5/6 Major or Singleton) | |
| 2 Level O/C – 10-17 HCP with 5+ cards (usually 6) | I.D. D.C. | | | | | SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE |
| 1NT OVERCALL (2 nd /4 th Live; Responses; Reopening) | LEADS | | | | | 1m-2H=5S and 4+H 5-9 HCP; (2+ HCP at fav) if 5-5 or more dist |
| 2^{nd} live = 15-18 HCP, Usually have stopper in opponents suit. | Lead | Vs. Suit | | Vs. NT | | 1m-2S= 5S and 4+ H 10-11 HCP. |
| Responses = Same as 1nt opening. | Ace | AK(+), Ax | | Asks UB/CT, AKJT(+) | | |
| 4 th live = On minor 11-14, On Major 11-16, May not have stopper. | King | KQ(+), AK, K | (| Asks for att | | $T_{rf} = A_{rr} + M_{r} + DI_{rr} + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + A_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + A_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + A_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + A_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + A_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + B_{rr} + B_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2} O(C_{rr} + 2) + \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Responses = 2C is range ask, rest same as 1nt opening. On 2C, NT bidder will bid 2D/H/S with minimum, with max he will | Queen Jack | Qx, QJ(+) KJT, JT(+), Jx | | Asks UB of J or Att, KQT9 AJT,KJT,JT(+), Jx | | Trf: after 1M- DBL, 1/2/3S O/C, after 1S – (2H), after 2 level jump O/C. |
| bid 2NT then 3C would be stayman | 10 | | | HT9,T9x, 1 | C // | SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| | 0 | | | | | 1)When game force is established. |
| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT) WEAK except in sandwich Vul position – that will be constructive – shows 6+ | 9 Hi-X | 9x Xx, doubleton | | 98(+), 9x(x) Xx, denies I | | 1) When game force is established.2) When responder showed an Inv+ hand w/o supp partner's suit, 4 level |
| 1 suit,13-16 HCP. Leaping Michaels (5-5 + Game Inv), | Lo-X | | | | | onwards passes are F |
| Over 2 level weak jump O/C, 2NTis enq same response as after opening weak 2 | | Lo-X Shows odd numbers Promises at least 10 SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | least 10 | 3) When responder showed an Inv+ hand w/ supp in partner's suit, 5 level | |
| Over 2 rever weak jump 0/C, 214118 end same response as arter opening weak 2 | | er's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Di | scarding | onwards passes are F |
| DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen) | | Low = Enc) | COUNT(Hi = Odd | | $\Gamma T(low = Enc)$ | 4) Passes are forcing from 2C opener unless responder has shown 0-4 |
| Direct cue bid = Michaels. | | | S/P (STD) | / | OUNT (Hi =Odd) | 5) Passes are F up to 2S once we have made a strength showing XX or a |
| Jump Cue $(1x - 3x) =$ Solid long other minor, invites 3nt. | Suit 2 COUNT(Hi = Odd) S/P (STD) 3 S/P (STD) | | 5/F (STD) | | P (STD) | penalty X, ex $- 1D$ (X) XX (2H) P, 1C (1NT) X (2S) P etc. |
| Against prec 1D, jump cue bid is constructive – shows 6+ suit 13-16 | | | Reverse Smith | | nith | 6) After we T/O X a weak M opening & LHO Jumps to 5M, advancers P is F |
| HCP. Against art C jump cue is pre-emptive | | NT(Hi = Odd) | COUNT(Hi = Odd | | P(STD) | 7) We T/O X a weak m opening & passed LHO Jumps to 5m, advancers P is F |
| VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH) | 3 | | S/P(STD) | / | OUNT(Hi = Odd) | IMPORTANT NOTES |
| Vs Strong NT (1^{st} 2 seats) = DONT, Extended DONT till 4 level | Signals (including | g Trumps): Smith E | | | 2 level Sandwich overcalls can be weaker.3rd seat openings can be very weak. | |
| 2NT on strong 1NT= Single suiter pre-emptive. After that all bids are | Signals (including Trumps): Smith Echo vs NT, Low-High shows interest from both sides. Smith will continue until the signal is complete, so in discarding as well | | | | | PSYCHICS: Rare 3 rd seat Major opening can be 4 cards. |
| natural, except 3C/D (p/c) and 4C (please bid your suit) vs 3rd seat = like wk NT | Against NT Attitude if dummy wins with A or K, Count if Q or Lower. | | | | | |
| Vs. Wk NT: X penalty 2C - majors, 2D - one major or str Mm | If A led in suit contract, and a) dummy comes with doubleton, then encouragement shows | | | | | |
| 2M – that M & a m, 2NT - mm, 3m – nat 9-14, 3M - preempt | overruffing potential. b) dummy comes with singleton; the card will be SPS. | | | | | Pre-empts and O/C pre-empts can be destructive in NV 1st and 3rd seat |
| Vs Strong 2NT: X shows both M, everything else is natural | If a singleton is led, we will assume that partner knows it and will treat his card as SPS. | | | | | Slam Xs at sacrificing situations: immediate = Don't bid, Balancing = 1 trick |
| Balancing = Same methods as stated above | DOUBLES | | | | | |
| VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids | TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening) | | | | | After 1NT overcall see [13] |
| Doubles = Takeout. Lebensohl from advancer after 2 level T/O X | At one level = (10)11+,2 level 13+,3 level 14+ | | | | | After 1Y (1NT) or 1Y (P) P (1NT), X shows shortness in OM if Y is a m, |
| (2D) $3D = M's$, $4C = C+H$, $4D = C+S$, (2M) $3M = m's$, $4m = Bm + OM$ | Tends to have 3+ cards in other suits unless very strong (18+), T/O X till 4S (1m) X, 2Bm is either GF or both M 8+ HCP, (1X) X 3M (double jump) is 5 card 10-11 | | | | | Otherwise shows 4card OM [13] |
| (2M) 4NT = m's w/less HCP. (3m) 4Bm = M's, 4Om = m+1M, (3m) 4NT = Om (| | | | | | |
| Om+M slam inv (3M) $4m = Bm + OM$, (3M) $4M = OM + m$ slam inv, (3M) $4NT = m$'s, After (3m) $3NT$, $4C$ M's, $4D/H = Trf$, $4S =$ slam inv in other m | Cue bid by doubler after advancer's non jump response shows good hand w/o 4 card fit, simple raise shows 4 w/ 16-17 HCP, jump raise is 4 w/ 18-19 HCP, jump cue is strongest | | | | | Various 4NT bids in competition: The order of Priority is 1) To show slam inv |
| After (3M) 3NT trfs, trf to BM shows m's | raise w/4 card, Balancing X: can be weaker but methods are same as above. | | | | | in P's suit 2) Choice of game 3) RKC |
| Over 1C-P-4C, 3C-P-4C and 4c opening 4d shows both majors 5-5 + | SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS | | | | | in 1 5 buil 2) choice of game 5) face |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1 + or 2+ | Negative double up to 3D, Cards dbl 3D onwards, Responsive dbl, Extended Responsive X | | | | | Frequent COC bids below 3NT level |
| Over 1C Dbl = Majors, 1nt = Minors, same after 1C-P-1D | Snapdragon dbl. Supp Dbl up to 2H. Rosencranz Dbl/Rdbl: | | | | | |
| Over strong $2C X = Majors$, $2nt = Minors$, same after $2C-P-2D$ | Snapuragon doi. Supp Doi up to 2H. Kosencranz Dbi/Kdbi; | | | | | After a fit, cue bid gets lesser priority compared to last train, attitude etc. |
| OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE | (1NT) (3NT) X is for short M lead, after bid & supp, X on that suit asks not to lead | | | | | After a fit, ede old geto lesser priority compared to last train, autitude etc. |
| Redouble = $10 + \text{HCP}$, Usually no fit. Jump raises show 6-9 with 5+ supp | If 1m bidder doubles a 3NT contract then he asks for that suit lead, if 1M opener doubles | | | | | |
| After m opening, NJ raise shows 4+ card 6-10 HCP, jump in Om shows LROB | a 3NT contract then he asks for other lead. A 3NT X by leaders' P after bidding a suit asks | | | | | Artificial reverse and relay bids: 1m 1X 2level cheapest revers is Art and 2NT |
| 2M bids (after 1m opening) are same as it was w/o X, | not to lead that suit. After a silent auction, 3NT X asks to lead dummy's 2 nd suit/dummy's | | | | | Relay after that. 1H 1NT 2S, 1S 1NT 3C and 1H 1S 3C are Art reverses and |
| If available (no conventional bid): single jumps are Fit showing, double jumps are | suit. Cue bid X by opener a) against a silent responder is T/O b) against a non-silent | | | | | Immediate bids are relay asks. See [2] |
| spl, game bids are to play. after 1 Major double: Transfer Responses, 2NT is 4card | responder shows 5+ card in own suit. After we find a fit, doubles are GT or competitive, | | | | | · · · · |
| LROB. After X on our weak bids, XX shows a single suit, and any new suit bid | depending on the auction. All Xs are Bid on (showing Sac intention) by a clear-cut | | | | | Jump 5NT bids are usually COC unless jump was against P's pre-emption |
| Is lead direction w/ supp in in opener's suit | Pre-emptor. IF we have bid and supp in a competitive auction and they make a fit | | | | | Various Lebensohl situations from advancer and responder. Two known |
| | showing bid, X says, I have the 4 th suit. | | | | | scramble situations: 1NT P (2M) X 2NT and (1M) X (2M) P X 2NT |

| OPENING | TICK IF ARTIFICIAL | MIN. NO. OF CARDS | NEG.DBL THRU | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING | | |
|---------|-----------------------|---|-----------------|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| 1 🌲 | | 3 4S (10)11-21,4423, or 1D = 3+ Cards 0+ HCP, 1H-1S 4+ card 0+ HCP, | | | Walsh approach. Two way CB [5]. Jump 3D after 1M resp shows 4 card supp 1C-(1X)-3C/1C-(X)-3C = Mixed Raise. | | | | |
| | | | | much better suit | 1NT/2NT = 8-10/11-12, $2C = Inverted (10+)$. $2D =$ | BAL 18-19. Cheapest reverses are ART [2] | Trf on 1S/2M/3S O/C [4], 2C is M's on 1NT | | |
| | | | | compared to D | Mixed.2M = Rev Flannery[1], $3D/S/4C = Spl, 4C = RKC$, | 1C 2C 2D ART [3], 1C-2M-2NT = ENQ, | O/C, 1C(2C) X or 1C(2NT) X shows 10+ | | |
| | | | | | 4M= To play, 4NT = Quan | 1C 2NT 3X = short. After 1C 1X 2NT Retransfer. 3 card raise [10] | HCP, BAL hand, Subseq Xs are penalty | | |
| 1♦ | | 3 | 4S | (10)11-21,4432 or | 1H/1S =Nat 4+ card 0+ HCP, 1NT/2NT = 6-10/11-12. 2M | Two-way CB [5]. 1D-1S-3H - 4 card supp BAL 18-19. Cheapest reverse is ART, | SAME AS ABOVE | | |
| | | | | 4+Diamonds | - Reverse Flannery. $3C = Mixed$. $3D - Wk$, $3H/S/4C = Spl$, | [2]. $1D-2D-2H$ Is ART [4], $1D-2M-2NT = ENQ$, | | | |
| - | | 5 | 40 | (10)11.21 | 4D - RKC, $4M$ = To play, $4NT$ = Quan | 1D 2NT 3H/S – short. Retransfer after 1D 1M 2NT. 3 card raise [10] | Development Development inter | | |
| 1♥ | | 5 | 4S | (10)11-21, can be 4 in 3 rd seat | 2H= 8-10, 3 card, 2NT= Bal GF, 2S = any short either 7-10 or 14+ 3D= LR, 1h-3C = 6-9, 4 card supp | 1H-2H-3S/4C/4D= Void Spl. 1H-2H-2S- some short, 1H-2H-2NT = HSGT in S 1H -2H- 3m is HSGT, 1H 3D/H 3S – some short, 1H 1NT 2S – ART, 1H 1S 3C | Passed hand : Two way Drury. Drury exists After cut also. Trf on 1/2/3S O/C. After | | |
| | | | | 5 ⁻² seat | 1NT = Semi-F, 3S/3NT/4C = S/D/C spl 11-13 HCP | is ART, H+C or only H. 1H 1NT 2NT is 18-19 and then re transfer | 1H (2H) – X Bal 10+, 2S LR, 2NT/3C/D trf | | |
| 1 | | 5 | 4H | (10)11-21, can be 4 in | 2S= 8-10, 3 card, 2NT= Bal GF, 1S-3C any m short 7-10 | 1S-2S-3X= HSGT.1S-2S-4C/4D/4H= Void Spl. 1S-2S-2NT- some short, | Passed hand : Two way Drury Drury exists | | |
| 1 🖚 | | 5 | 711 | 3 rd seat | Or $14+3D=$ Limit. $3H =$ short H either 7-10 or $14+3NT=H$ | 13-25-5X - 11501.13-25-4C/4D/412 - Vold Spl. 13-25-27V12 solide short, 1H-2H-2NT = HSGT in S. 1S 3D/S 3NT – some short, 1S 1NT 3C is ART [11] | After cut also. Trf after 1S (2H) | | |
| | | | | 5 5000 | Spl, 11-13.4C/4D= 11-13 Spl. | Either only S or S+C or S+H. 1S 1NT 2NT is 18-19 and then re transfer | 1S (2S) – X Bal 10+, 2NT/3C/D/H are trf | | |
| 1NT | | | 3S | (14)15-17, Singleton or | 2C Stayman, 4 Way Transfers. 3C/3D= Inv/GF with 5-5+ | 1NT-2D-2H-2S= 5-4 Minors GF+ or 5-5 Majors INV. | See Note [9], Rubensohl after intervention, | | |
| | | | - | 6 Card M/m possible. | m's. 3H/3S= Short with 4 card OM. 4C/D – H/S, Smolen | 1NT 2C 2H 2S or 1NT 2C 2S 3C – Dist. ENQ. Suit bid by m trf shows liking | (2NT Forces 3C). 1NT (2M) 3S shows m's | | |
| | | | | | 1NT 2D bid is either H or both M inv or both m GF [12] | 1Nt 2C 2H/S 3D/H sets the M, 1NT 2C 2H/S 3C/D – ART, shows M+m | 4C/4D are trf till 2NT cut, trf after 3S cut | | |
| 2* | ART | | | 22+ Or Game in hand. | 2C-2D= Waiting.2C-2H/2S/3C/D = NAT | Kokish Relays. 2C 2D 2M 2NT can be with 3 supp, 2C 2D 2M 2NT 3X 3M | After 2 Level Intervention Pass = 0-4, higher | | |
| | | | | | 3H/3S = long C/D Suit. | Shows 2+ weak 6 card S has to be introduced after 2C 2D 2H, late 3S wont be S | Level Pass = 5+, leaping Michel by both side | | |
| 2♦ | | 5 | | At Vul/2nd seat Sound | 2D-2H/2S/3C = One round forcing.4H/S - To Play | After 2D-2NT, 3C=Any Short or 4 card C,3D = Min, 3H/3S = OM 4 card, | XX shows a single suit, new non jump suit | | |
| | | | | 1st/3rd NV=destructive | 2D-2NT = Asking., jump new suit bids are asking in that | 3NT = Bal good, After 3C, shortness relay is 3D, 3H relay is for 4 card C | Is lead directional raise. FJ, Game bids Nat | | |
| | | | | | [8] | 2D 2M 2N shows doubleton supp in the M | On cut, X is Resp at two level, otherwise Pen | | |
| 2♥ | | 5 | | At Vul/2nd seat Sound | 2S/3C/3D = One round forcing. 2NT relay, 3H = courtesy | After 2H-2NT,3C= Any short,3D=Any minor4 card,3H=Min,3S=4 Spade,3NT= | XX shows a single suit, new non jump suit | | |
| | | | | 1st/3rd NV=destructive | Raise. Jump bids are asking in that suit [8] | Bal good., 2H - 2S -2NT shows doubleton S. After suit bid, rebid/supp are NF | Is lead directional raise. FJ, Game bids Nat | | |
| 2 🌲 | | 5 | | At Vul/2nd seat Sound | 3C/3D/3H = One round forcing. 2NT relay, 3S = courtesy | After 2S-2NT,3C= Any short,3D=Any minor4 card,3S=Min,3H=4 H,3NT= | XX shows a single suit, new non jump suit | | |
| | | | | 1st/3rd NV=destructive | Raise. Jump bids are asking in that suit [8] | Bal good., After suit bid by responder, rebid/supp are NF | Is lead directional raise. FJ, Game bids Nat | | |
| 2NT | | | | (19)20-21 Bal/Semi | 3C= Stayman,3D/3H= H/S Trf. 3S=Puppet to 3NT | 2NT-3C-3H/3S = 4/5 M .2NT 3H 3S 4H = 5-5 slam inv. 2NT 3C 3D 3H 3NT4H | Passed hand : Same | | |
| | | | | Bal, shortness possible. | 3NT/4C/4D/4H = C/D/H/S Trf, 4S = Both m non slam inv | = 5-5 just game. 2NT-3D-3H-3S shows 4H and 5m. 2NT 2C 3NT = both M | 2NT (3Y) X is stayman | | |
| 2. | | 6 | | ÷ (10.1 | 3D trf can be with 4H and 5m | 2NT 2C 3NT 4C slam Inv. 2NT 3S 3NT 4C/D/H/S = 5C-4D/5D-4C/1255.2155 | Trf after 2NT (3S) [4] | | |
| 3* | | 6 | | pre-emptive, 6+Cards | 3D/3H/3S= Natural Forcing. 4D/4M are asking bids | If responder joins openers suit after biding a new suit, that is NF, $4C = Courtesy$ | X penalty after they cut, Game bids are nat | | |
| 3♦ | | 6 | | pre-emptive, 6+Cards | 3H/3S= Natural Forcing. 4C/4M are asking bids | If responder joins openers suit after biding a new suit, that is NF. 4D = Courtesy | X penalty after they cut, Game bids are nat | | |
| 3♥ | | 6 | | pre-emptive, 6+Cards | 3S=Nat Forcing,4C/4D/4S=Ask for control in that suit | 3H 5NT (trump ask) - 6C - AQ/A, 6D - KQ/K, 6H - Q or J, 6S = AK | X penalty after they cut, Game bids are nat | | |
| 3♠ | | 6 | | pre-emptive, 6+Cards | 4C/4D=Asks for control in that suit. 5NT= trump ask | 3S 5NT (trump ask) - 6C - AQ/A, 6D - KQ/K, 6S = Q or J, | X penalty after they cut, Game bids are nat | | |
| 3NT | ART | 7 | | Solid 7-8 Card Minor. | 4C= Pass/Correct,4D=Ask for Shortness.4M – To play | 3NT 4D 4H/S - H/S short, 4NT - no short, 5m - Om short | X penalty after they cut | | |
| | | | | | ,4NT= Asking to bid 6 w/ 8 card, $5C = P/C$ | | | | |
| 4* | | 7 | | pre-emptive 7+ cards | 4D/4H/4S Natural. | | | | |
| 4♦ | | 7 | | pre-emptive 7+ cards | 4H/4S=Natural | | | | |
| 4♥ | | 7 | | pre-emptive 7+ cards | 4S/5C/5D to play, 5H slam inv | | | | |
| 4♠ | | 7 | | pre-emptive 7+ cards | 5C/D/H to play, 5S slam inv | | | | |
| 4NT | | | | Specific Ace Asking | 5C=No Aces,5D/5H/5S=That Ace,5NT=C Aces | | | | |
| 5* | | 8 | | Pre-emptive | | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING | | | |
| 5♦ | | 8 | | pre-emptive | | RKCB = 1430,2/2 With Trump Q, 5NT=Even with Void, 6X= Odd with Void, After | | | |
| 5♥ | | 8 | | pre-emptive | | 6C is available, then it is for extras. EKCB = Same as RKCB by steps. DOPI after above our suit. | | | |
| 5 | | 8 | | pre-emptive | | If we somehow cross 4NT after agreeing a suit, 5suit + 1 would be RKC | | | |
| | | | | · · · | | After getting response of 4NT, 5NT is K ask bid King Ask responses = Specific. | | | |
| | | | | | | Direct ask after RKC response – asks for Q of that suit – bidding the trump suit shows no Q, any other bid below the trump suit is | | | |
| | | - | | | | Shows a doubleton, with the Q, we will bid 7 | | | |
| | | | | | | See Note [6] | | | |

Supplementary Notes – Kaustubh Bendre + Sayantan Kushari

1. Reverse Flannery:

1m – 2H = 5S, 4+H, 6-9 (At non-vul vs vul, the range for 2H is 3-9) 1m – 2S = 5S, 4+ H, 10-11

This applies over 1m - (DBL) and over 1C - (1D) overcall.

Opener's 2NT is ART enquiry.

2. Artificial Reverses:

The cheapest reverse may be artificial.

- 1C 1D 2H
- 1C 1S 2D
- 1D 1H 2S
- 1D 1S 2H
- 1H 1N 2S

This shows one of two hand types -

- a. Length in opened suit and could be void in reversed suit or
- b. 5+ and 4+ in the two bid suits.

If responder goes back to the opener's long suit, that is a signoff. Any other bid by responder is FG.

On responder's 2N relay, opener bids as follows:

- Opened suit = Length there, reverse was artificial
- New suit = fragment, showing a natural reverse and shortness in the 4th suit.
- Reversed suit = 6+ 4 in the two suits
- 3N = Natural reverse, 5422

1H -1S -3C is also ART.

1H – 1S

3C - 3D = relay, but responder must have some tolerance for either hearts or clubs.

1H – 1S

3C – 3D

3H = only hearts

3S = 5+ hearts, 4+ clubs, 3 spades

3N = hearts + clubs, not a hand to cross 3NT

4C = 5+ hearts , 5+ clubs

4H = 6+ hearts, 4 clubs

1H – 1S

3C – 3H = GF

1H – 1S

3C - 3N = To Play

3. 1m – 2m – 2m+1

1C - 2C - 2D and 1D - 2D - 2H are ART, primarily used by the opener to show some shortness below the 3m level.

Responder bids 2m + 2 and now opener uses one of the next three bids to show his shortness. The ordering of these bids is "natural for natural, else low for low". This sequence is forcing only to 3m.

4. Transfers in competition

These apply in the following situations:

- 1m (1S)
- 1m (2H)
- 1m (2S)
- 1H (2S)
- 1x (3S)
- 1N (3S)
- 2N (3S)

After a 1S overcall, 2H is NAT NF and 2S is inv+ with 5/5+ in the unbid suits.

After a 2M overcall, transfers apply only till opener's suit, i.e,

1D – (2M) – 3C is inv+ D, but

1D - (2M) - 3D is a mixed raise,

and 1D - (2S) - 3H is NAT FG

1D – (2H) – 2S is NAT, FG unless rebid.

After 1x - (3S), 3N is NAT, 4C/D are transfers, 4H is NAT (but 4D shows a better hand with hearts), 4S is trf to clubs.

5. Two – way checkback

After 1x - 1y - 1N, we play two way checkback.

- 2C puppets 2D, to play there or to show INV hands.
- 2D is ART FG
- 2N puppets 3C to play there
- Jumps show 4-6 INV

After 2D (FG), opener bids the other major to show shortness in responder's major, e.g.

1D – 1S 1N – 2D 2H = ART, shows singleton spade

1H – 1S 1N – 2D 2H = ART, shows singleton spade

6. RKC/EKC

Responses are 1403 for any ace asking query.

A response of 5N shows an even number of keycards with some void. A response at the 6 level shows an odd number of keycards with the bid suit void (unless that void is impossible)

After a void showing response, if there are two bids available below the agreed suit, then

- a. The cheapest bid asks for extras
- b. The next bid asks for the trump queen.

If there is only one bid available below the agreed suit, then that bid asks for extras.

If, on RKC, there is intervention below our 5 level, we play DOPI, where

- DBL = 0 or 3
- Pass = 1 or 4
- Next bid = 2 without queen, and so on

If there is intervention at or above our 5 level, we play DEPO, where

- DBL = even number of keycards and
- Pass = odd number of keycards.

After the response to RKC, 5N confirms all keycards and asks partner to bid 7 with extras or show kings up the line.

After the response to RKC, a 6 level bid in a side suit asks for 3rd round control in that suit.

If we cross 4N after agreeing a suit, then 5suit + 1 is RKC.

7. 4-card advances (1x) - 1y - (P) - 1z

A new suit at the one level by advancer after an overcall is 4+ cards, 8+ HCP, NF.

Over this, overcaller's

- Cue = INV+ without 4 card fit
- Raise = minimum with 4 card fit
- Jump raise = INV with 4 card fit
- Jump cue = strongest raise with 4 card fit

If opener doubles the 4-card advance, overcaller's DBL is a support double.

8. 2D/M - (DBL)

Responder's 2N continues to be an enquiry with the same responses as if there was no intervention.

New suit by responder shows fit for opener's suit with lead indication in the bid suit. Responder does not promise length in the bid suit.

A REDBL by responder asks opener to bid the next suit, which responder will pass or correct to his own suit as a signoff.

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9. 1N - (P) - 2x - (DBL)
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When opps DBL our Stayman 2C,

- Pass = No major or no stopper
- 2D = 5+ D, may or may not have stopper
- 2M = 4 or 5, shows club stopper.
- REDBL = To play

If opener passes, responder's REDBL is repeat enquiry, on which opener transfers to his major.

The full structure is put up at http://prba.in/sys/stay_int.htm

When opponents DBL our transfer (after 1N or 2N opening),

- Pass = Less than 3 card fit
- Accept TRF = 3+ card fit, stopper
- REDBL = 3+ card fit, no stopper
- 10. 3-card raises

1m – 1M – 2M may be a 3-card raise.

1H - 1S - 2S may be a 3-card raise.

A 3-card raise is only made with a side singleton, either with a 5431 or 6331 shape.

Responder bids 2M + 1 with an INV+ hand to enquire about opener's shape and strength.

- 11. 1S 1N 3C ART
 - 1S 1N 3C = ART, strong, either S + H or S + C or only S

1S – 1N 3C – 3S = weak, passable

1S – 1N 3C – 3D (relay) 3H = 5+ spades, 4+ hearts

- 3S = 6+ spades, 4+ clubs
- 3N = 5 spades, 4+ clubs
- 4C = 5+ spades, 5+ clubs
- 4D = Auto splinter in hearts
- 4H = 5 spades, 6+ hearts
- 4S = Only spades, no splinter (or don't want to show a splinter)

12. 2-way 2D over 1N

1N – 2D = TRF to hearts or both minors FG or both majors INV

- 1N 2D
- 2H 2S = cancels the TRF
- 2N 3C = 5+ clubs, 4 diamonds, GF
 - 3D = 5+ diamonds, 4 clubs, GF
 - 3H = both majors INV
 - 3S = 6 hearts, 5 spades, GF
 - 3/4/5N = 5 diamonds, 4 clubs, 2-2 majors
- 1N 2D
- 2H any bid other than 2S = NAT with 5+ hearts

We can only super-accept over 2D by bidding 2S. After this 2S, 2N/3C cancel the TRF and show both m GF, 3D is a ReTRF.

13. After opponents overcall 1NT

1C/D - (1NT) - 2C = both majors

1H/S – (1NT) – 2C = good raise in opener's major

1C/D - (1NT) - P - (P)DBL = takeout double of the other minor

1H/S - (1NT) - P - (P)DBL = 4 cards in the other major