

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
1-level: can be weak (5+HCP)
2-level: usually more constructive (10+HCP) except sandwich, or when partner has passed
1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
2 ND =15-18 RESP as over 1NT opening
4 th Live=5OM-4(+)+om
4 th reopening 1NT=10-16 RESP NAT
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak jump overcalls (wide ranged, from 3 HCP NVUL vs VUL) vs constructive openings
2NT=lowest unbid suits
Reopening jump bids are intermediate
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
(1♣)-2♦ or (1♦)-2♣= both majors, can be 5♥-4♠ NONVUL
(1♣)-2♠=NAT, (1M)-2M=5OM+5m
Jump cue=asks stopper, also against short 1m
4 level cue=twosuit; 3 level cue=stopper ask
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
2♣=both majors, 2♦=one major, 2M=5M-4m
Vs 13-15 (or weaker) NT: X=14/15+
Vs strong NT: X=5m, 4M
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Leaping michaels (Jump to 4m=5crd m+5crd OM)
Vs Multi: X=points
Lebensohl responses on T/O X of 2M
Doubles are flexible
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
Vs strong ♣: X=majors, 1NT=minors, 2♦/♥/♠=PRE
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
System ON, except 2/1 NF and raise is wide-range

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
NT	4 th , highest from xx/xxx, 2 nd from xxxx(+)	3rd/5th	
Suit	3rd/5th	3rd/5th	
Subseq leads: often same through dummy (or S/P)			
Through declarer: often ATT (low=ENC), but CNT and S/P possible			
Other: leads in a suit bid by us can be different			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AK+	AK(+)	
King	AK, KQ(+)	AKQ, KQJ, KQ10, KQ(+)	
Queen	QJ(+)	QJ(+)	
Jack	J10(+)	J10(+), AJ10, KJ10	
10	AJ10, KJ10, 109	A109 etc, 109	
9	A109, K109, Q109, 9x	9x, 9xx	
Hi-X	Doubleton	Doubleton	
Lo-X	3rd/5th		
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit 1	Lo=ENC	Lo=even	Lo=ENC
2	Lo=Even	Hi=S/P	Lo=Even
3	Hi=S/P		Hi=S/P
NT 1	Lo=ENC	Lo=even	Lo=ENC
2	Lo=Even	Hi=S/P	Lo=Even
3	Hi=S/P		Hi=S/P
Signals (including Trumps):			
Hi-Lo in trumps: want a ruff or S/P			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
T/O X can be light (9+) with suitable shape; Offshape T/O X OK if 17+			
X after OPPT simple overcall suggest 4+card unbid M			
X after OPPT higher overcalls more flexible			
2NT response to our T/O X can be scramble.			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
RDBL generally SOS on penalty doubles, but not on lead-directing doubles of Artificial bids			

EBL CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: Green
Sticker:
NCBO: Netherlands
PLAYERS: Leo Hofland, Bas van der Hoek
EVENT Senior Teams
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SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
5-card M (semi-F 1NT), 1♣=2+ card, 2/1 GF, 15-17 NT
Openings can be light with shape,
3 rd hand openings can be very light
Wide-range pre-empts depending on vulnerability/position
1NT, 2NT opening or rebid can be semi-BAL
Negative X thru 4♥
In competition System OFF, after T/O X usually system ON
3 rd hand pre-empts very undisciplined
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
2♣ opening PRE (5-10) ♦ or 22-23 BAL or MF hand
2♦ opening multi PRE (5-10) M or 24+ BAL
2M opening 5M-4+m PRE (5-10)
PRE jump shifts on 2 level (4-8) after our 1m or 1♥ opening
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
(usually no FP when we overcall)
FP after business redouble;
FP on 5-level after invitational bids
FP in common sense situations
Pass-and-pull after business redoubles
IMPORTANT NOTES
Most doubles in competition are negative/card showing
4 th suit=GF
PSYCHICS: rare

