DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING	
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)	
Natural. New suit = F except $2/1$;	
1M (1NT) 2♣=5OM and 2M 1♣/1♦ (1NT) 2♣ = MM	
(1x)-1M-(any)-2N = 4+ card raise, Inv+	
Jump in opponent's suit = mixed raise	
Jumps in competition =e.g. (1♣)-1♥-(1♠)-3♦=NAT, 4 level=fit	jump
1NT OVERCALL (2 nd /4 th Live; Responses; Reopening)	
Direct = 15-18, system on	
Protective = 11-14 over 1m 11-16 over 1M, system on	
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)	
1-Suit: Pre-emptive; 2NT ask, new suit forcing unless 3rd hand	bids
2-Suit: $2N = 2$ lowest unbid suits	
Reopen:	
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)	
Cue = Michaels: $(1m)-2m = Majors 5/5; (1M)-2M = OM+m 5/5$	5
Jump cue ask for stopper in opponent's suit	
$(1 \bigstar / 2 \bigstar)$ 4 \bigstar = both minors, strong (4NT=weaker)	
1 \bigstar (1 \bigstar /♥/♠) 3cue = bid 3NT partner	
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)	
Dbl = strong, 17+ v Weak NT but 5m,4M v strong NT and BPH	ł
2 = both majors	
$2 \blacklozenge = 1$ major	
2M = M + m	
2N minors	
VS.PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)	
Dbl = Takeout.	
(3M) 3NT – then relays/transfer bids, non-leaping Michaels	
(2M)-2N system on; Leaping/non Leaping Michaels	
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣	
Dbl = MM; 1NT = mm	
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE	
Jump fits over 1M at 4L	
1M(x) 3NT= bal Raise to 4M	
Jump in partner's suit = weak 0-6	

LEADS AND SIGNALS										
OPENING LEADS STYLE										
		Lead		In Partnership Suit						
Suit		2nd & 4th (low from Hxx)		3 rd and low						
NT		4th best		4th						
Subseq										
Other: King asks for unblock or count v NT										
LEADS										
Lead		Vs. Suit		Vs. NT						
Ace		AK(x)		AKx(x)						
King		KQ(x)		AKJT(x), KQT9(x)						
Queen		QJ(x)		KQx(x), QJ(x)						
Jack		JT(x), KJT(z	x)	JT(x), A/KJT(x)						
10		T9(x), HT9(x)		T9(x), HT9(x)						
9		9x, Q98x, J9	98x		Q98x, J98x					
Hi-X		XX		xxx(x)						
Lo-X		xxx, Hxx		Hxx(x)					
SIGNAI		RDER OF P								
		er's Lead Declarer's Lea		ad	Discarding					
1	Hi = D		Hi = Even		Hi = Disc					
Suit 2	Hi = F	Even			Hi = Even					
3	11' F				II' D'					
1	Hi = Disc		Smith (Hi = Enc)		Hi = Disc					
NT 2	Hi = Even		Hi = Even		Hi = Even					
3 Signals (including Trumps):										
Suit preference overtones Smith, high enc from both sides										
King asks for count 5 level or higher										
DOUBLES										
TAKEO	UT DO		le; Responses;	Reopeni	ing)					
		ersion after ta			<i>a</i> /					
After takeout dbl of M, responder's cue = 44minors F1/or any FG										
After takeout dbl of m, responder's cue = $4/4$ majors F1 or any FG										
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS										
Responsive, Competitive, No support dbls and rdbls										
$1 \bigstar / 1 \bigstar - (1 \heartsuit) - dbl = 4 \bigstar 1 \bigstar / 1 \bigstar - (1 \heartsuit) - 1 \bigstar = 5 \bigstar +$										
	(1x)-1y-(db1)-rdb1 = competitive (8+) 2 cards in partners suit									
11-(dbl)-1	rdbl = 9	+ next double	pens unless the							
'Action' doubles up to 4										

W B F CONVENTION CARD Diana Nettleton & Sally Brock **ENGLAND Venice Cup team** August 2025 SYSTEM SUMMARY GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE 5 Card Majors, Short Club, Multi 2♦, weak 2M (8-11) 1♣ = 2+ 1NT = 15-17 $1M-2 \bigstar = FG, \bigstar$ or balanced $1 \vee / 1 \triangleq -3 \triangleq = 3$ card inv $1 \checkmark /1 \bigstar -3 \bigstar = 4 \text{ card inv}$ SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE $1 \clubsuit - 2 \blacklozenge = invitational in clubs$ $1 \diamond -3 \bigstar =$ invitational in diamonds 2 =Strong Bal 23+ or any unbal FG $2\Psi/2 = 6$ card suit 8-11 depending on vul/position $2 \bullet = 1$ Major 5/6 card suit not as good as opening 2M say 3-8 SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES **IMPORTANT NOTES PSYCHICS: Rare**

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. N CAI	NEG.DBL THRU						
NING		K IF TCIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NO. OF RDS	NO. OF RDS	L THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION
1♣		2	7♥	Natural or balanced	2♣ is natural FG. 2♦ inv in ♣	1 ♣ - 2 ♣ - 2♦ is less than 4 ♣			
					2M = pre-empt natural $3L = Nat$, weak (3-9)				
1♦		4	7♥	Natural	2♦=inverted raise GF; 2M=Nat weak; 3♣=Inv in ♦, 3M=Spl		Maybe jump fit		
1♥		5	7♥	Natural	2 = FG nat/bal; $2 = nat GF$; $2N=4+$ card raise FG;	2NT rebid after 1M-2 \bigstar / \blacklozenge FG = 6cM	2♣= Drury		
					3♣= 3cLR in ♥, 3♦ =9-11 4+♥ no shortage	1M-2N-3♣=any min, 3♦=not min no shortage	Jumps = fit		
					3♠=4+ card raise with unspecified singleton; 3NT spade void		*except mixed raise		
1♠		5	7♥	Natural	2 ♣ =FG nat/bal	2NT rebid after $1M-2 \neq FG = 6cM$	2NT best raise		
					2N=4+ card raise FG; 3♥=Nat, Inv.3c=limit raise in S	1M-2N-3♣=any min, 3♦=not min no shortage			
					3N=4+ card raise with unspecified singleton, 4c/d/H=void				
INT			7♥	15-17, 5M or 6m possible	2♣=Stayman; 2♦/♥=♥/♠ 2♠=Bal Inv or ♣	Smolen			
					2N=puppet; 3♣=diamonds; 3♦=5/4min 3M=spl	1N-2 ♣ -2 ♦ -2M= to play; 1N-2 ♣ -2 ♦ -2N= Nat inv			
					4♣/♦ are 2 under transfers				
2♣	\checkmark	0		23+ Bal or unbal FG	2♦ -ve or waiting, suits natural positive	2 ♣ -2 ♦ -2 № =24+. 2 ♣ -2 ♦ -2 ♥ -2 ♦ relay-2 № =22-23 bal			
2♦	\checkmark	0		3-7 (5)6+ ♥ or ♠	$2 \sqrt{2} \sqrt{3} = p/c 2N = enq: 3 \text{ min } \text{ and } 3 \text{ min } \text{ and } 3 \text{ max } 3 \text{ max } \text{ and } 3 \text{ max } 3 $	After 2N we have step asking bids			
					3♠ max 6♥, 3N max 5♥, 4♣ TRF to your M, 4♦ bid your M				
2M		6		Natural 8-11	2N=enquiry :3♣=any shortage -3♦ enq, 3M min 3OM 6-4	2M-2N-3N = good suit no shortage			
2NT				20-21, 5M or 6m possible	3♣ Muppet Stayman; transfers; 3♣=mm; 4L=2 below s/t	2N-3♣-3♥=no 4M, then 3♠=54(3) major			
3♣		6		Natural	3♦ asks for 3cd=Major, 4NT=RKCB	3♣-3♦:3♥=none, 3♠=3♥. 3NT=3♠, 4♣=both MM			
3♦		6		Natural	4NT=RKCB				
3♥		6		Natural	4NT=RKCB				
3♠		6		Natural	4NT=RKCB				
3NT	\checkmark			Solid minor	4♦ asks for shortage 4♣/5♣/6♣=p/c				
4♣		7		Natural	4NT=RKCB				
4♦		7		Natural	4NT=RKCB				
4♥		7		Natural	4♠= to play 4NT=RKCB, bid suit need controlled				
4♠		7		Natural	4NT=RKCB, bid suit need controlled				
4NT	\checkmark			Asks specific Aces	5 ♣ =0; 5N=2				
5♣		7		Natural					
5♦		7		Natural					
5♥									
5N						HIGH LEVEL BIDDING			
						RKCB (1430 if 4NT otherwise 30/41); over intervention below suit =p=step 1,			
						x=step 2, above = depo, and we ignore doubles			
						Last train, cue bids; 5NT always "pick a slam", Non-serious 3\screw/3NT			