DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)

At 1-level 3-17HCP, 5+crd

At 2-level 10-17HCP, (5)6+crd

After 1M overcall: 2NT=4crd fit, inv+. 3X=4crd fit, 7-9HCP

Responses on 2-level NF

1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)

15-17(18), responses system on

(1m) p (p) 1NT = 11-14, responses system on

(1M) p (p) 1NT = 11-16, responses system on

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak, can be 5crd and very light NV (0+HCP)

Reopen: 13-16HCP, 6crd

(1X) 2NT = 5+5+ outer suits

DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)

(1X) 2X = 5+5+ highest suits

(1X) 3X = 5+5+ lowest suits

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)

2♣=M's, 2♦/2M=nat, 2NT=minors

X in 2nd seat=penalty; X in 4th seat=5(6)m+4M

VS weak NT: X=penalty, rest same

VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)

(2/3m) 4♣=om+M, 4♦=5+♥5+♠

(2/3M) 4♣=♣+oM, 4♦=♦+oM, 4M=good 5m bid

Lebensohl after (2X) X (P)

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣

Against precision: X=majors, 1NT= minors

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Transfers after 1♣ (X) and 1M (X)

Jumps on 3-level weak (2-8HCP)

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	1/3/5	1/3/5
NT	Attitude	1/3/5
Subseq	2/4 through declarer, attitude towards declarer	1/3/5

Other: From AK we lead the K with singleton in side suit;

With known count attitude in partners suit; in NT K/Q can ask to unblock

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	Ax, AK+	Ax, AK+
King	AK, KQ+, Kx	AK, KQ+, Kx, AKJT
Queen	QJ+, Qx	QJ+, Qx, KQT9
Jack	JT+, KJT+, Jx	JT+, HJT+, Jx
10	T9+, HT9+, Tx	T9+, HT9+, Tx
9	9x	9x, H98+
Hi-X	Xx, xxXx, xxxxXx	Xx, xXx, xXxx, xXxxx
Lo-X	xxX, xxxxX	HxX, HxxX, HxxxX

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

		Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit	1	L-H=enc	L-H=even	L-H=enc
	2	Suit preference	Suit preference	Suit preference
	3	L-H=even		L-H=even
NT	1	L-H=enc	Suit preference	L-H=enc
	2	Suit preference	L-H=even	Suit preference
	3	L-H=even		L-H=enc

Signals (including Trumps): SP in trump suit

SP against NT on declarers lead

SP when count is not necessary

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Almost every X is take out

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

1♣ (1♦) X = 4+crd ♥

1m (1♥) X = 4+crd ♠

Support X/XX on 1-level

EBL CONVENTION CARD

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

1♣=2+, 1♦=5+crd or 4441, 5crd M

Variable 1NT opening

2/1 GF

1-openings from 10HCP with good distribution

Aggressive style

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

1♣ -1♦=any 0-7/nat/4-4M/bal

2♦/M NV can be very weak (0-9HCP) and 5crd suit

1NT opening depends on vul & position

Transfers in competition

3rd hand openings can be lead directing

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

V vs NV (3m) X/3X (5m) or similar situations

After 2♣ opening

After 2/1 GF

IMPORTANT NOTES

PSYCHICS: uncommon

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	x	2	4♠	(10)11+HCP Almost forcing Any 4432 Can be 5crd ♦ with 18/19bal Can be GF with ♣	1♦=0-7HCP any/natural ♦/7-11HCP 4-4 M's/bal 1M=(7)8+HCP, can be longer ♦ 1NT=8-10, 2♣=(9)10+HCP 2♦=0-6 6crd M, 2M=8-11HCP, 6crd 3X=nat, 2-8HCP	1♣-1♦-1♥=minimum bal OR ♣+♥ unbal 1♣-1X-1♠=unbal 1♣-1♦-1NT=18-19 bal 1♣-1X-2♦=reverse or strong with ♣	Transfers, also after X
1♦		4	4♠	5+crd or 4441, (10)11+HCP	2♣=GF, 2♦=(9)10+HCP 2M/3♣=8-11HCP, 6crd		Transfers (not after X)
1♥		5	4♠	5+crd, (10)11+HCP	2♣=GF, can be short, 2♦=GF, natural 2NT=8-13HCP, 3+crd fit 3m/2♠=8-11HCP, 6crd 3NT=splinter M-1, 4♣=splinter, 4♦=good 4♥ bid	1M-1NT-2♣=any 16+ or 11-15 6crd M 1M-1NT-2NT=GF 5-5 1M-1NT-3X=inv 5-5 1M-2NT-3♣=GF relay	Transfers, also after X
1♠		5	4♥	5+crd, (10)11+HCP	Same as over 1♥ 2♥=GF natural, 3♥=8-11HCP 6crd, 4♥=tp		Same as over 1♥
1NT	x		4♠	1st/2nd seat NV/V 10-13, can be unbal	2♣=stayman, 2♦/♥=trf, 2♠=inv for NT or ♣, 2NT=♦ or minors, 3X=nat preemptive		Transfer Lebensohl
	x			3rd seat NV/V 8-14	2X=tp		
	x			1st/2nd/3rd seat NV/NV (11)12-14, can be unbal	2♣=stayman, 2♦/♥=transfer, 2♠=invite for NT or ♣, 2NT=♦ or minors, 3♣=asks for 5crd M, 3♦=5M332, 3M=short, 4♣=M's, 4♦=♥, 4♥=♠		
				V and 4th NV (14)15-17	Same as over 12-14 (see above)		Transfer Lebensohl
2♣	x	0	4♠	Any GF hand	2♦=waiting, 2M=HHxxxx	2♣-2♦-2♥=nat or 24+bal	
2♦		5		V 6crd 4-10HCP NV 5+crd 0-9HCP	2NT=asking		
2♥		5		Same as 2♦	2NT=asking		
2♠				Same as 2♦	2NT=asking		
2NT			4♠	(19)20-21	3♣=asks for M's, 3♦/♥=transfer, 3♠=minors, 4♣=♥ ST, 4♦=S ST, 4♥=♣ ST, 4♠=♦ ST	Minor suit ask when no M fit is found	
3♣		6		V 7crd suit 5-10HCP NV 6+crd 2-9HCP	3♦=asks for 3crd M, 3M=forcing, 4♦=ST ♣		
3♦/♥/♠		6		Same as 3♣	3X=forcing, 4♣=ST		
3NT	x			1st/2nd seat: 7,5-9 tricks in ♥/♠ 3rd/4th seat tp	4♣=strong ST, 4♦=light ST, 4♥=p/c		
4m		7		4-10HCP	4M=tp		
4M		7		4-14HCP 1st/2nd seat 3rd/4th seat could be stronger than 14HCP	After 4♥: NV 4♠ tp, V 4♠ cue		
4NT		6/5		Minors			**HIGH LEVEL BIDDING**
						Mixed cues, 1430 RKC Blackwood, 0314 Exclusion	
						Non-serious 3M+1 when GF with M fit	
						DOPI-DEPO	
						4♣ fit in competition	