

## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Aggressive 1-Level; Sound 2 Level  
Pass-Out Seat 8 – 12; DBL = 13+

Response: CUE - Limit Raise or better  
Partner's Rebids 6-10 HCP rebid suit at lowest level; 11-12 new suit; 13+ Jump Rebid

### INT OVERCALL (2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)

Direct: 15 – 18 HCP All Systems On  
Balancing: 12-14; STAY, Transfers

### JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak Jump Overcalls  
Unusual NT for minors/2 lowest Unbid

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

Michaels over Natural 1 Level Bids

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

DBL = Penalty; Otherwise Natural

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

Dbl is Take-Out through 4♥  
4NT = 2-suited Take-Out over 4♠

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

Vs Strong 1♣: DBL = ♣ & ♠ or ♦ & ♥  
1NT = ♠ & ♥ or ♣ & ♦  
2♣ = ♥ & ♠ or ♦ & ♠  
Other 1 Level bids Natural 7+ HCP

### OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Raises Weak; RDBL = 10+ HCP

## LEADS AND SIGNALS

### OPENING LEADS STYLE

|            |                                   |                        |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Suit       | Lead                              | In Partner's Suit      |
| NT         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> | Count/Top of Sequence  |
| Subsequent | 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> | Count /Top of Sequence |
| Other:     | Attitude                          |                        |

### LEADS

|       |                                    |                        |
|-------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Lead  | Vs. Suit                           | Vs. NT                 |
| Ace   | AKx(x)                             | AKQxx/AKJTx/AKQTx      |
| King  | KQ(x)                              | KQJ(x)/KQT(x)          |
| Queen | QJ(x)                              | KQT9(x)/QJT(x)         |
| Jack  | JT(x)                              | A/K/QJT(x)/KQT9(x)/JTx |
| 10    | T9(x)                              | A/K/QT9(x)/T9(x)       |
| 9     | 9x                                 | 98(x)                  |
| Hi-X  | Sx/ xxS                            | xSxx                   |
| Lo-X  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> or 5 <sup>th</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup>        |

### SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

|        |                 |                 |            |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
|        | Partner's Lead  | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| 1      | Attitude        | Count           |            |
| Suit 2 | Count           |                 |            |
| 3      | Suit Preference |                 |            |
| 1      | Attitude        | Count           |            |
| NT 2   | Count           |                 |            |
| 3      |                 |                 |            |

### Signals (including Trumps):

Versus NT A requests Count/Honour; K/Q/J requests Attitude

### DOUBLES

### TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

11 – 15 HCP with support for un-bid suits or 16+ with own suit  
Responses: lebensohl over Dbl. Weak 2 Bid  
Responsive Dbl. through 4♦

### SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Over DBL or 1 Level Overcall of 1♣: Responses Suit Natural 5 -7 HCP;  
DBL = 8+ or 5-7 Bal. <sup>[1]</sup>  
Overcall of Partner's 1♦/1♥/1♠: Suit = 6 – 9 HCP; Dbl = 10+  
Over DBL of Partner's 1♦/1♥/1♠: Suit = 6 – 9 HCP ; RDBL = 10+  
In General DBL/RDBL show strength/positive response, while suit Bid shows 5- 9 HCP

# W B F CONVENTION CARD



2023

CATEGORY: PRECISION: STRONG 1♣

NCBO: BARBADOS

PLAYERS: PAT CUMMINS & KIP ROTCHELL

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

### GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

PRECISION: 1♣ = 16+ HCP; Artificial Responses  
1♦ = 11 -15 HCP 2+ ♦  
1NT = 14 – 16 HCP  
2♣ Over 1♦/1♥/1♠ = FG ANY Distribution  
2♦ Over 1♥/1♠ Minor 11 – 13 HCP  
Upside Down Attitude

### SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

2♣ = 11 – 15HCP; 6+♣ or 5♣ + 4♥/♠  
Gambling 3NT  
Negative Free Bids  
CRASH over Strong 1♣

### SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

### IMPORTANT NOTES

DOPI/ROPI over Interference of Asking Sequences

| OPENING | TICK IF ARTIFICIAL | MIN. NO. OF CARDS | NEG.DBL THRU |  |  |   |                     |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|--|--|---|---------------------|
|         |                    |                   |              | DESCRIPTION  | RESPONSES  | SUBSEQUENT ACTION   | PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1♣      | √                  | 0                 | [1]          | 16+ HCP  | 1♦ 0-7; 1♥/1♠ 8-13; 2♣ 8-13 ♣/♦;<br>2♦ BAL 8-13; 2♥/2♠ 4-7 PRE; 2NT 4-7 m<br>3♣/3♦ = 8-13 Unusual Positive [5];<br>1NT 14+ ANY DIST. | 1♦ : M F1[2]; 1NT 17-18; 2NT 19-21;<br><br>1NT: Natural; 2NT = Sing./Void in suit bid.      |                     |
| 1♦      | √                  | 2                 | 3♠           | 11-15HCP No 5 CARD M EXCEPT 6♦ & 5♥/♠  | 1♥/1♠ = 6-11 HCP ; 1NT = 8-10; 2♣ = FG ART;<br>2♦=10-12 Asks for M Stoppers  | 2♦: 2♥/ 2♠ Shows Stopper; 2NT M stoppers<br>After M Raise G/T CUE                           |                     |
| 1♥      |                    | 5                 | 3♠           | 11 – 15 HCP  | 2♣ ART FG; 2♦ 11-13 ♣/♦; Splinters   | After Raise G/T CUE   |                     |
| 1♠      |                    | 5                 | 3♠           | 11 – 15 HCP  | 2♣ ART FG; 2♦ 11-13 ♣/♦; Splinters   | After Raise G/T CUE   |                     |
| 1NT     |                    |                   |              | 14 – 16 HCP  | STAY [6]; JTB[7]; TEXAS TRF; 3♣ m(s) INV;<br>3♦ m(s) FG; 3♥ M(s) INV; 3♠ M(s) FG   | LEB – FAST Over Interference Higher Than<br>2♣; 4♣ RKC Gerber; 4NT QUANT                    |                     |
| 2♣      |                    | 5                 | 3♠           | 11-15HCP, 6+♣ or 5+♣ & 4♠♥   | 2♦ 11+ ASK; 2♥/2♠ 8-10HCP;<br>3♣ CONST RAISE. JUMP SHIFT 16+ HCP   | 2♦: 2♥/♠ 4Cards; 2NT 2 stops. 3♣ 1stop<br>3♦: Which Suits Stopped                           |                     |
| 2♦      |                    | 1                 |              | 11-15 HCP 3- Suiter with 4♣  | 2NT F ASK SING; 2♥ WEAK,   | Bid Singleton   |                     |
| 2♥      |                    | 6                 |              | 6 – 10 HCP   | New Suit F, 2NT Shortness? 3♣ High Card?   | After New Suit: Raise with Qx or better   |                     |
| 2♠      |                    | 6                 |              | 6 – 10 HCP   | New Suit F1  | After New Suit: Raise with Qx or better   |                     |
| 2NT     |                    |                   |              | 22 – 23 HCP  | STAY; JTB; TEXAS TRF<br>3♣ asks Opener to bid 4♣<br>4♠ asks Opener to bid 5♣   | 4♣ RKCG; 4NT Quantitative<br>Pass or Correct to 4♦, 4♥/4♠ Slam Try<br>Pass or Correct to 5♦ |                     |
| 3♣      |                    | 7                 |              | 6 – 10 HCP   | New Suit F1  | Raise with Qx or better   |                     |
| 3♦      |                    | 7                 |              | 6 – 10 HCP   | New Suit F1  | Raise with Qx or better   |                     |
| 3♥      |                    | 7                 |              | 6 – 10 HCP   | New Suit F1  | Raise with Qx or better   |                     |
| 3♠      |                    | 7                 |              | 6 – 10 HCP   | New Suit F1  | Raise with Qx or better   |                     |
| 3NT     | √                  |                   |              | GAMBLING   | 4♣ Pass or Correct   |   |                     |
| 4♣      |                    | 8                 |              | Disciplined  | RKCB; Grand Slam Force   |   |                     |
| 4♦      |                    | 8                 |              | Disciplined  | RKCB; Grand Slam Force   |   |                     |
| 4♥      |                    | 6                 |              | Disciplined  | RKCB; Grand Slam Force   |   |                     |
| 4♠      |                    | 6                 |              | Disciplined  | RKCB; Grand Slam Force   |   |                     |
| 4NT     |                    |                   |              | BW   |  |   |                     |
| 5♣      |                    |                   |              | Disciplined  | Grand Slam Force   |   |                     |
| 5♦      |                    |                   |              | Disciplined  | Grand Slam Force   |   |                     |
| 5♥      |                    |                   |              | No Agreement   |  |   |                     |
| 5♠      |                    |                   |              | No Agreement   |  |   |                     |
|         |                    |                   |              | <b>HIGH LEVEL BIDDING</b>  |  |   |                     |
|         |                    |                   |              | Roman Key Card Blackwood 0/3, 1/4, 2-No Queen, 2 W/Queen<br>RKC Gerber Over 1 <sup>st</sup> and Last NT<br>DOPI; ROPI with RKC answers |  |   |                     |

**WBF SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET**

**BARBADOS**  
NCBO

KIP ROTCHELL  
NAME OF PLAYER

PATRICIA CUMMINS  
NAME OF PLAYER

**[5] UNUSUAL POSITIVE OVER 1♣ OPENING**

1♣            3♣ = 4441/1444 8-13 HCP  
 3♦ Asks      3♥ = 4441  
                  3♠ = 1444  
 1♣            3♦ = 4144/4414  
 3♥ Asks      3♠ = 4414  
                  3NT = 4144

**[1] DOUBLE BY RESPONDER AFTER INTERFERENCE OF 1♣ OPENING**

1 & 2 LEVEL    5 - 7 HCP NO 5 Card Suit OR 8+ HCP  
 3 LEVEL & UP 8+ HCP NO 5 Card Suit

**[6] SMOLEN Over Stayman**

After 1NT 2♣ - 2♦

3♥ Shows 5♠ & 4♥

3♠ Shows 5♥ & 4♠

**[2] RESPONSES AFTER M SUIT BID AFTER 1♦ RESP TO 1♣**

1♠ OVER 1♥ = 0-5 HCP No 4 Card M  
 1NT Over 1♥ = 0-7 HCP With 4♠'S  
 1NT Over 1♠ = 0-5 HCP Any DIST.  
 2♣ = 6-7 HCP 5 Card m  
 2♦ = 6-7 HCP BAL  
 2♥ Over 1♠ = 6-7 HCP 5 Card Suit

**[3] TSAB - TRUMP SUIT ASKING BID**

1st Step = JXXXX(X.) Or Worse  
 2nd Step = 5 Card Suit with A/K/ or Q  
 3rd Step = 5 Card Suit with AK/AQ or KQ  
 4th Step = 6 + Card suit with A/K/ or Q  
 5th Step = 6 + Card suit with AK/AQ or KQ  
 6th Step = AKQXX(X..)

**[7] FOUR-SUIT TRANSFERS**

After 1NT

2♦ Transfer to ♥

2♥ Transfer to ♠

2♠ Transfer to ♣ - 2NT Bid shows Qxx or better in ♣

2NT Transfer to ♦ - 3♣ Bid shows Qxx or better in ♦

**[4] BETA ASKING BID**

1<sup>st</sup> Step Shows 0 - 2 Control  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Step Shows 3 Controls  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Step Shows 4 Controls  
 4<sup>th</sup> Step Shows 5 Controls