| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING |
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| OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening) |
| Usually 8+ hcp for 1 level overcalls, 10+ hcp for 2 level overcalls |
| Reopening usually 10+ hcp |
| Cue by advancer = limit raise or better, may not have support if GF |
| New suit by advancer = 8+hcp (F1 unless passed hand), 1NT = 8-11 |
| hcp |
| 2NT after Major overcall = 10+ hcp with 4+ support |
| 3m cue after 1M overcall = 6-9 hcp with 4+ support |
| 1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening) |
| 15-18 hcp 2nd seat, 12-15 hcp in 4th seat (usually balanced) |
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| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT) |
| Weak/Strong Unusual 2NT = 8- /16+ hcp, 5-5+ |
| Weak jump overcall, usually 6+ card |
| Reopen: typically good 16+ hcp |
| OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE |
| Rdbl is 10+ hcp, NF 2-level free bids |
| Truscott 2NT, Fit jump over DBL of 1M |



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|  |  |  |  |  |  | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \& PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 19/* |  | 3 | 3. | 11-21 hcp, better minor | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \mathrm{M}=4+\mathrm{M} 6+\mathrm{hcp} ; 1 \mathrm{NT} / 2 \mathrm{NT}=6-10 / 11-12 \mathrm{hcp} \\ & 2 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{INV} \text { minors }-10+\mathrm{hcp} 4+\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{~m}=0-7 \mathrm{hcp}, 5+\mathrm{m}, \\ & 2 \downarrow / \uparrow=5 \text { spades, } 4+\text { hearts, } 6-9 \text { hcp } \end{aligned}$ | After $2 / 4,2 \mathrm{x}=$ stopper-showing with extras; $2 \mathrm{NT} / 3 \mathrm{~m}=$ balanced $\mathrm{min} /$ unbalanced $\min ; \mathrm{XYZ}$ is on | Negative double Inverted minors is still on by cuebidding opponents' suit |
| 1 1 / |  | 5 | 31 | 11-21 hcp |  | 2-way game try after single raise - short-suit and long-suit game tries <br> Responses after jacoby 2NT: <br> 3* = any minimum <br> $3 \star=$ extras with a singleton <br> $3 \boldsymbol{*}=$ extras with a void <br> $3 \mathbf{A}=$ moderate extras with no singleton <br> $3 \mathrm{NT}=$ Significant extras with no singleton $4 \mathrm{X}=5$-card second suit with 2 of top 3 honors | 1 NT is semi-forcing if partner is passed 2e = drury, 3 card support $2 \mathrm{NT}=5-5+$ minors, $<10 \mathrm{hcp}$ Jump bids are $4+$ support with suit |
| INT |  |  |  | 15-17 hcp, usually balanced, with rare exceptions (i.e. hands with singleton \& rebid issues) |  | After stayman, 2 over $2 \downarrow$ response $=N F$ <br> Smolen over $2 \star$ response <br> SA Texas transfer is still on <br> 30 M after $2 \boldsymbol{v} \boldsymbol{2}$ response $=$ slam interest | Lebensohl after interference Double of opponents' suit is generally T/O DONT escapes if 1 NT is doubled for penalty |
| 2* | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  | Strong, 22+ hcp or 19+ hcp with 4 losers | $2 \star=$ waiting, $4+$ hcp, $2 \downarrow=$ double negative, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ hearts positive ( $8+$ hcp with 2 of top 3 or 3 of top 5 honors in the suit), $2 \star / 3 \star / 3 \star=$ natural positive | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (Kokish relay) } 2 \boldsymbol{\downarrow} \text { after } 2 \star \text { is relay to } 2 \star \\ & \text { subsequent } 2 \mathrm{NT}=25+\mathrm{HCP} \\ & 3 \star=\downarrow, 3 \boldsymbol{\psi} / 3 \star=5+\boldsymbol{\wedge}, 4+\star / \star \end{aligned}$ | Responder pass after interference shows 4+ hcp, $\mathrm{X}=$ double negative |
| 2 | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  | Weak 2 in a major, 6-11 hcp | $2 \downarrow / 3 \downarrow=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}, 2 \boldsymbol{2}=$ Invite in hearts, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ artificial ask, $4 *=$ bid 1 lower of major, $4 *$ bid major | After 2NT, $3 \boldsymbol{*}=$ strong, relay to $3 \downarrow$, $3 \star=$ weak $v s, 3 \vee=$ weak $\wedge s$ | Natural in last seat |
| 2 |  |  |  | 5 $\mathbf{\mathrm { s } / 4 s}$, 4+ unknown minor, 6-11 hcp | 2NT $=$ artificial ask, $3 \&=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}$ <br> $3 \star=$ invite + with support for major, $3 \mathrm{M} / 4 \mathrm{M}=$ to play | $\begin{aligned} \text { After 2NT, } 3 \star / \star=\mathrm{s} / \star \mathrm{s}, \text { weak } \\ 3 \uparrow / \star \mathrm{s} / \star \mathrm{s} \text {, strong } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2NT |  |  |  | 20-21 hcp, usually balanced, with rare exceptions (i.e. hands with singleton \& rebid issues) |  | After puppet stayman: <br> $3 \star=$ at least one 4-card major, <br> $3 \boldsymbol{\sim} / 3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=5$ card major <br> 3NT = no 4-card major |  |
| 3 $/$ / $/$ / $/$ / |  | 6 |  | Weak, 6-11 hcp | $4 \star=$ RKCB for $\boldsymbol{*}$, $4 \boldsymbol{*}=$ RKCB for $\uparrow / \uparrow / \downarrow$ |  |  |
| 3NT | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  | Solid 7/8+ $/$ / s , usually without outside $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{K}$ | $4 \propto / 5 \&=$ P/C, Other non-jump suit bids are to play | HIGH LEVEL | BIDDING |
| 4e/ | $\sqrt{ }$ | 8 |  | Namyats, solid $\boldsymbol{\psi}_{\mathbf{s}} / \Delta_{s}$ with $\geq 1$ outside control | 4*/v = have controls, interested in slam, 4M = signoff | Minorwood - 4*/4 |  |
| 4 4 /49 |  | 7-8 |  | To play, usually preemptive (6-11 hcp) |  | RKCB - 4NT, DEPO over interference |  |
| 4NT | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  | Minors, usually 6-6+ | Subsequent bids in minors are to play | Voidwood |  |
| 5s/*/¢/¢ |  | 8-9 |  | To play, usually preemptive (6-11 hcp) |  | Responses to minorwood, RKCB and voidw Subsequent responses are Q ask in trump suit if there is a jump | ood $=14 / 30$ <br> /specific K ask/3rd round control asking |

