DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Overcalls

1st level (4)5+cards, 8-16 HCP→1/rRESP=F1; %/RESP=NF fit-jumps, OPPT suit=INV to 4M; 2♣=FIT-DRURY 2nd level 5+cards, 11-17 HCP→new suit=F1
TRF-LEB after: (1M/P)-DBL/1♦/1NT-(2♦M)-?, (1m/M/P)-(2M)-DBL-?: 2y=NF; 2NT=any weak or clubs; 3♣♦♥=TRF INV+; 3♠=TRF to 3NT; TRF to OPPT suit=STAY GF
TRF-LEB after 2♣-(2M): 2NT/3♣=♣; 3♠=♦GF

1NT Overcall

VUL15-18, NV14-17, $\frac{1}{2}$ +STOP \rightarrow TRFS; TRF to OPPT M=STAY Passed hand: 4M+5+m; Reopen: 1NT=11-15; 2NT=19-21

Jump Overcalls

Weak→new suit=INV; 2NT=relay 2NT=two lowest suits; Over 1m=NAT: 2♦=5+4+MM, 8-11. Reopen: intermediate

Direct & Jump Cue Bids

Over 1M: 2M=oM+m, $10^+ \rightarrow 2NT=relay$; 3 - P/C; 3 - NV M. 3M=ask stopper for 3NT, usually with running suit

Vs NT

ASPTRO: DBL=14⁺; 2♥♠=6 cards, 8-15; 2NT=6-5 INV⁺
2♠/♦=4-5♥/♠ UNBAL, 10-15, (if MM, we bid shorter first);
Passed hand: DBL=4♠; 2m=m+4♥; 2M=NAT
Over (1M)-(1NT): direct DBL=T/o; 2M=0M+m
Reopen: DBL=NAT; 2m=m+oM; 2M=NAT

Vs Preempts

DBL=T/o thru 4♥, cards higher. CuE=ask stopper.

TRF-LEB after (2x)-DBL. (2M)-4m=m+oM. 3NT-4♣=(R) w/BAL

Over Multi 2♦: DBL=T/o of ♠; 2NT=16-19; 4m=♥+m

Vs Artificial Strong Openings

Over 1m, 1♣-1♦: DBL=5-4 MM, 10+; 1NT=5-5 Mm, 10+ 1♦♥♠=DESTR 0-15HCP, 3+cards, 4+any other suit; 2♣=minors; 2NT=good hand w/ one-suiter or minors Over 2m: DBL=MM; 2NT=mm

Over Opponents' Takeout Double

1♣-(DBL): RDBL=NAT GF; 1♦=5-8→NAT continuations
1♦-(DBL): RDBL/1♥/♠/NT/♣= TRF; 2NT=minors; 3x=INV
1M-(DBL): RDBL/1NT...2M-1=TRF; 2M=bad raise; 2NT=fit
1NT(14-17)-(DBL): system on
1NT(10-14)-(DBL): PASS=♣/♦/♥+♠; 2m=m+higher

LEADS AND SIGNALS

Opening Leads Style

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit NT	3 rd /5 th 2 nd /4 th	1 st /3 rd
Subseq	3 rd /ATT	

When count in partner's suit is known: Lo=ENC

Leads

	Vs Suit	Vs NT	
Ace	Ax, AK+	Asks att	
King	KQ+, AKxxx	Asks count or unblock	
Queen	QJ+, maybe AKQ	QJ+, KQx+, AQJ+	
Jack	JT+, KJ10+	J10+, HJ10+	
10	109+, H109+	109+, H109+	
9	KJ9, 9x	H9x	
Hi-x	Xx, xxxx	HXx, xXx, xXxx	
Lo-x	xxX, HxX	xX, $HxxX(x)$	

Signals in Order of Priority

		Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit	1	Lo=enc or xx	Hi=even	S/P
	2	Hi=even		Hi=even
	3	S/P		
NT	1	Lo=enc	Smith: Hi=ENC	S/P
	2	Hi=even	Hi=even	Hi=even

Italian S/P: odd=ENC, even=Hi/Lo

DOUBLES

Takeout Doubles

11-15 negative or 16⁺any; Equal level conversion to ♦& ♥. CuE=F1, jump to 2nd=8-10, 5-cards; (2x)-DBL-2NT=TRF-LEB Reopen: т/o 9-14 or 15⁺

Miscellaneous Doubles/Redoubles

T/o thru 4♥, higher=cards; 1♦-(1♥)-DBL=4♠
SUPPDBL thru "2M-1"; DBL to OPPT CUE=A/K/Q;
Often DBL=extras/competitive from NF hand;
(1NT=WEAK)-(ART bid)-DBL=cards; Lightner DBL
Over TRF: DBL=same as DBL to NAT bid, but LD if GF
Over SPL: DBL=LD for Lo suit / no help in the only unbid suit
NV VS VUL or after ♠SPL: DBL=suggest PRE;
Over 3NT: LD for 2nd priority: 3rd/1st/unbid/2nd/4th hand suit

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SYSTEM SUMMARY

General Approach and Style

Strong 1♣, precision 2♣, nebulous 1♦, 5-card majors 1NT: NV [1/2 vs VUL] 9-12 [1/2 vs NV], 10-12,

[3] 10-14, [4] 12-14 VUL [1/2] 14-16, [3/4] 15-17

5-card major, 6-card minor, stiff honor possible In competition: 1st level=F1, 2nd level=NF, 3rd level=GF

2/1RESP=GF unless suit rebid

Special Bids That May Require Defence

 $1 > = (0)1^+ > 11-15$

2♦=Wilkosz 5M-(4)5 any, 5-10

3мт=Gambling (max Q outside)

After 1NT=[9-14]: no transfers, 2♣♦may contain 6M

 $1 \diamondsuit -2 ♥ = 5 \diamondsuit 4 + ♥$, less than invite

1♠-3♣=ınv, either a) 6+♥; or b) 5♥+3♠

Special Forcing Pass sequences

After our RDBL or PEN-DBL or we have GF

After our NV 1NT-(DBL)

After our 1♣ oppt overcalls 4♥+

In FP situations: DBL=PEN/no extras; Bid=extra shape; Pass+Bid=extra values, unsure about contract

Important Notes

нср & suit lengths are subject to judgement in any situation

Psychics

Happens if 3rd seat, NV vs VUL, against multi or after PRE with great fit

Open	Min Neg Crd Dbl	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding	
1♣ ⚠	0 4♥	a) Bal nv16 ⁺ vul17 ⁺ b) Unbal (12)16 ⁺ /4 ⁻ losers	1 ♦=0-7; 1 ♥ ♠2 ♣ ♦=5-cards, 8+; 1 NT=8-11/14+; 2 ♥ ♠=6-cards, 4-7; 2NT=12-13; 3 ♣ ♦ ♥ ♠=8+, 4441	1♣-1♦-1 \P / Φ =4+, F1→2 \P / Φ =6-7, 0-2/3supp; 2 \P / Φ =NF; 2 \P =23+NT or GF \P / Φ ; 2 \P =20+(4441)		
1♦ ⚠	(0)1 4♥	a) Bal vul: 11-13, [3/4] 12-14 NV: [1/2] 13-15, [3/4] 15-17 b) UNBAL 11-15 4+ ♦/441 ♦4	1♥ \spadesuit =4+cards, F1; 1NT/2NT=NAT; 2 \spadesuit \spadesuit =4+F1; 2♥=5 \spadesuit 4+H PRE; 2 \spadesuit 3 \spadesuit =PRE; 3 \spadesuit =5-4 mm PRE, 3 \spadesuit \Rightarrow INV	1 ♦ -1M-1X-?: 2♣=PUP 2 ♦ (INV); 2 ♦ =GF relay; 2NT=♣ 1 ♦ -2m-2♥=BaL; 2♠=4m w/singleton; 2NT=1m444	2∳is still gF	
1♥	5 3♠	11-15	2NT=GF; 3 \spadesuit =mixed raise; 3 \spadesuit =3supp Bal INV 2 \spadesuit =2 $+$ \oplus ; 2 \spadesuit =5 cards; 2 \spadesuit =PRE	After 2nt: Nat responses, 3♠+=SpL	Fit-jumps	
14	5 4♥	11-15	2nt=gf; 3♣=♥inv; 3♦=mixed raise; 3♥=3supp Bal inv			
1NT NV 4♥ [1/2] (9)10-12, [3/4] 10/12-14		[1/2] (9)10-12, [3/4] 10/12-14	2♣=Stay; 2♦=gf-(R); 2♥♠3♣♥♠=nf; 3♦=5-5 MM g/t or s/t; 2NT=a) weak 6♦; b) 5-4 mn	Weak bids after 2 \clubsuit : 2 \spadesuit \rightarrow 2 \blacktriangledown \spadesuit 3 \clubsuit , 2 \blacktriangledown \rightarrow 2 \spadesuit , n 2 \spadesuit \rightarrow 3 \spadesuit \spadesuit , rest=Inv; 2nt+3M=short w/mm		
1NT VUL	4♥	[1/2] 14-16, [3/4] 15-17	2♣=Stay; 2♦♥=Trf; 2♠=♣or inv; 3♣♦=inv; 3♥♠=31(54) gf	After 2♠/2NT: 3♣=мах; After Tre new suit=INV ⁺ 1NT-2♣-2NT=44 majors→Tre; Smolen		
24	5 4♥	10-15 a) 5♣+4M b) 6 ⁺ ♣	2 ♦=(R); 2M=8-12NF; 2NT=weak raise OR special hand; 3^{rd} level=INV	2♣-2♦: 2♥♠=4 cards; 2nt=max→3♣=ask shortage; 3♣=mın→3♦=ask; 2♣-2nt-3♣-3♦=ınv 5-5 majors		
2♦ ⚠	0 3♠	[1/2/3] (3)5-10 5M+(4)5 any [4] 10-13 6♦	2 ◆ 3 ◆ $=$ P/C; 3 $=$ F1; 3 ◆ $=$ INV M; 4 ◆ $=$ ask 2 NT=(R);	After 2nt: 3♥=♥♠; 3♠=♠♦; 3nt=♥♠max After 3♦: 3M=min; 4♣♦=max; 3nt=♥♠max	Over 2♦-DBL: System on; Pass/RDBL=P/C	
2♥♠	(5)6	[1/2/3] (3)5-10, [4] 10-13	2♠=NF; 2NT=Ogust relay	After 2nt: 3♣♦=міn; 3♣♥=bad suit		
2мт		21-22	3♣=Puppet Stayman; 3♠=6+minor OR 5-4 minors			
3♣♦♥♠	(6)7	Preempt	new suit: NV=INV, VUL=F1; 4♣=MiniKC			
3мт		AKQxxxx in ♣/♦, no side A/K	4♣=P/C; 4♦=(R); 4nt=asks quality opposite void			
4♣♦♥♠						
4NT		6-6 minors, slam interest				
High Level Bidding			Additional Not	es	10,8 15,2 20,0 25,5 31,8 39,3 48,3	
RKCB 03 14 2 2+Q; 5NT=2/4 w/void; 6x=1/3 w/void After RKC: [+1]=Asks Q \rightarrow no Q, Q+0K, Q+1K, If opps interfere, Pass=1st step;			Transfers after 1 ♦ -(1♥)-? DBL=4-5(6) ♠ 1 ♠ NT2♣=transfer to NT♣♦	rds 10 1,6 5,4	8,6 12,0 15,8 20,1 25,1 31,0	
If no control was implied, show/ask control first; from captain: DBL is PEN; RDBL is next relay from responder: DBL/RDBL is 1 st step with control Jump to 5 th level=Voidwood 0123 5NT is often pick-a-slam After 3NT: 4m=MINRKC→[+1]=MIN; higher=RKC steps		lied, show/ask control first; PEN; RDBL is next relay	2♦=ınv ⁺ 0-3♠; either 4-4 minors o 2♥♠=♠♣weak or strong	. 4	7,6 10,7 14,1 18,0 18,0 22,5 27,8 34,2 34,2	
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				VP 11:9	13:7 14:6 15:5 16:4 17:3 18:2	