DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Overcalls

1st level (4)5+cards, 8-16 HCP→½RESP=F1; ¾RESP=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 \rightarrow new suit=INV; 2NT=relay 2NT=two lowest suits; Over 1m=NAT: 2 \blacklozenge =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=oM+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=13-15NT / 17+; 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	3 rd /5 th	1 st /3 rd , when count is	
NT	2 nd /4 th	known: Lo=enc	
Subseq	3 rd /ATT	^d /ATT	
	ough declarer		

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	Odd/Even
	2	Hi=even		Hi=even
	3	Suit Pref		
NT	1	Lo=enc	Smith: Hi=ENC	Odd/Even
IN I	2	Hi=even	Hi=even	Hi=even

Odd/Even: odd=ENC, even=suit pref; Smith vs NT: Hi=like lead

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: T/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

WBF CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY Strong club with multi

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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 %/RESP=GF unless suit rebid

Special Bids That May Require Defence

 $1 \diamondsuit = (0)1^{+} \diamondsuit$, 11-15 2 \psi = multi, 6+M, 5-10

2M=5M-4+m, 5-10;

3мт=Gambling (max Q outside)

After 1NT=[9-14]: no transfers, $2 \clubsuit \diamondsuit = (R)$, up to INV/GF

1♦-2♥=5♠4+♥, less than invite

1**♦**-3**♣**=INV, 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 3^{rd} 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 nv: 16 ⁺ , [3/4] 18 ⁺ ; vul: 17 ⁻ b) Unbal (12)16 ⁺ /4 ⁻ losers	$^{-}$ 1♦=0-7; 1♥♠2♣♦=5-cards, 8+; 1NT=8-11/14+; 2♥♠=6-cards, 4-7; 2NT=12-13; 3♣♦♥♠=8+, 4441	1♣-1♦-1♥/♠=4+, F1→2♣/♦=6-7, 0-2/3supp; 2♣/♦=NF; 2♥=23+NT or GF♣/♦; 2♠=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 \P Φ = 4+cards, F1; 1nt/2nt=nat; 2 Φ Φ = 4+F1; 2 \P = 5 Φ 4+H pre; 2 Φ 3 Φ = Pre; 3 Φ = 5-4 mm pre, 3 Ψ Φ = 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 4♦	11-15	2NT=GF; 3♣=mixed raise; 3♦=3supp Bal INV 2♣=2+♣; 2♦=5 cards; 2♠=pre	After 2nt: nat responses, 3♠+=SpL	Fit-jumps
1 🏚	5 4♥	11-15	2NT=GF; 3♣=♥INV; 3♦=mixed raise; 3♥=3SUPP Bal INV		
1nt nv	4♥	[1/2 vs vuL]: 9-12, [3]: 10-14, [1/2 vs nv]: 10-12, [4]: 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 mm	Weak bids after 2♣: 2♦ \rightarrow 2♥ \spadesuit 3 \clubsuit , 2♥ \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	
2♣	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♣=min→3♦=ask; 2♣-2nt-3♣-3♦=inv 5-5 majors	; ;
2♦ ⚠	6M 3♠	[1/2/3] (3)5-10 5M+4 ⁺ m [4] 10-13 6 ♦	2 ♦ 3 ♦ = P/C; 2 NT=(R); 3 ♣=GF1-suiter; 3 ♦=INV M 4 ♦ = ask M	' After 2nt: 3♣=max; 3♦♥=Trp	Over 2♦-DBL: Sys on Pass, RDBL=♦
2 ♥ ♠	5	[1/2/3] (3)5-10 5M+4 ⁺ m [4] 10-13 6M	2♠=NF; 2NT=(R); 3♣=P/C; 3♦=INV ⁺ M; jump=NATF	After 2nt: 3♣=4♣; 3♦♥=4♦+no/3oM; 3♠nt=5♣♦ lowest cue=sets M	
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		
3ит <u>∧</u>		AKQxxxx in ♣/♦, no side A/K	4♣=P/C; 4♦=(R); 4nt=asks quality opposite void		
4♣♦♥♠	7	Preempt			
	Hig	h Level Bidding	Additional Notes	Imp	s for VP

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 without new suit: DOPI
If opps interfere with new suit: DBL=no control; Pass=0
If opps DBL: Pass=no control;
from captain: DвL is PEN; RDBL is next relay
Jump to 5 th level=Voidwood 0123
5мт is often pick-a-slam
After 3nт: 4m=MinRкс→[+1]=мin; higher=Rкс steps

Additional Notes
Transfers after 1♦-(1♥)-?
DBL=4-5(6) ♠
1♠NT2♣=transfer to NT♣♦
2 ♦= $\ln v^+0-3$ ♠; either 4-4 minors or short spade
2♥♠=♠♣weak or strong
2nт=minors
3x=inv

Imps for VP						
VP	1	6	8	10	16	20
11:9	0,8	2,0	2,3	2,6	3,3	3,7
12:8	1,7	4,2	4,9	5,4	6,9	7,7
13:7	2,7	6,6	7,6	8,6	10,8	12,1
14:6	3,8	9,3	10,7	12,0	15,2	16,9
15:5	5,0	12,2	14,1	15,8	20,0	22,4
16:4	6,4	15,6	18,0	20,1	25,5	28,5
17:3	8,0	19,5	22,5	25,1	31,8	35,6
18:2	9,8	24,0	27,8	31,0	39,3	43,9
19:1	12,1	29,6	34,2	38,2	48,3	54,1
20:0	15,0	36,7	42,4	47,4	60,0	67,1