### **DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

#### **Overcalls**

1<sup>st</sup> level (4)5+cards, 8-16 HCP→½/RESP=F1; ½/RESP=NF fit-jumps, OPPT suit=INV to 4M; 2♣=FIT-DRURY 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 $\spadesuit$ =5<sup>+</sup>4<sup>+</sup>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<sup>+</sup>; 2♥♠=6 cards, 8-15; 2NT=6-5 INV<sup>+</sup>
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/1nt2M-1=TRF; 2M=bad raise; 2NT=fit
1мт(14-17)-(DвL): system on
1NT(10-14)-(DBL): Pass=♣/♦/♥+♠; 2m=m+higher

### **LEADS AND SIGNALS**

# **Opening Leads Style**

	Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Suit	3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> , when count is		
NT	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>	known: Lo=enc		
Subseq	3 <sup>rd</sup> /ATT			
	(1st)/2nd/4th through 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
	1	Lo=enc or xx	Hi=even	Odd/Even
Suit	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<sup>+</sup>any; Equal level conversion to ♦& ♥. CuE=F1, jump to 2<sup>nd</sup>=8-10, 5-cards; (2x)-DBL-2NT=TRF-LEB Reopen: T/O 9-14 or 15<sup>+</sup>

#### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> priority: 3<sup>rd</sup>/1<sup>st</sup>/unbid/2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> hand suit

# WBF CONVENTION CARD \$\%^{\infty}\$

**CATEGORY** Strong club with multi

Country = Estonia

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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 2/18ESP=GF unless suit rebid

# **Special Bids That May Require Defence**

1♦=(0)1 $^+$ ♦, 11-15 2♦=multi, 6 $^+$ M, 5-10 2M=5M-4 $^+$ m, 5-10; 3NT=Gambling (max Q outside) After 1NT=[9-14]: no transfers, 2♣♦=[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 <sup>+</sup> , [3/4] 18 <sup>+</sup> ; vul: 17 <sup>-</sup> b) Unbal (12)16 <sup>+</sup> /4 <sup>-</sup> 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 $\rightarrow$ 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♥ $\spadesuit$ =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 $\spadesuit$ $\spadesuit$ =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 $\spadesuit$ =mixed raise; 3 $\spadesuit$ =3supp Bal INV 2 $\spadesuit$ =2 $^+$ = $^+$ ; 2 $\spadesuit$ =5 cards; 2 $\spadesuit$ =PRE After 2NT: NAT responses, 3 $\spadesuit$ +=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♦→2♥♠3♣, 2♥→2♠, n 2♠→3♣♦, rest=lnv; 2nт+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 <sup>+</sup> ♣	2♦=(R); 2M=8-12NF; 2NT=weak raise OR special hand; 3 <sup>rd</sup> level=INV	2 <b>♣</b> -2 <b>♦</b> : 2 <b>♥♠</b> =4 cards; 2NT=MAX→3 <b>♣</b> =ask shortage 3 <b>♣</b> =MIN→3 <b>♦</b> =ask; 2 <b>♣</b> -2NT-3 <b>♣</b> -3 <b>♦</b> =INV 5-5 majors	<b>;</b> ;	
2♦ ⚠	6M 3♠	[1/2/3] (3)5-10 5M+4+m 2♥♠3♥♠=P/C; 2NT=(R); 3♠=GF1-suiter; 3♦=INV M; After 2NT: 3♣=MAX; 3♦♥=TRF		; After 2nt: 3♣=мах; 3♦♥=Tre	Over 2♦-DBL: Sys on: Pass, RDBL=♦	
2 <b>♥</b> ♠	5	[1/2/3] (3)5-10 5M+4 <sup>+</sup> m [4] 10-13 6M	2♠=NF; 2NT=(R); 3♣=P/C; 3♦=INV <sup>+</sup> M; jump=NATF	After 2nt: 3♣=4♣; 3♦♥=4♦+no/3oM; 3♠nt=5♣♦ lowest cue=sets M		
2NT		21-22	3♣=Puppet Stayman; 3♠=6+minor OR 5-4 minors			
3 <b>♣♦♥</b> ♠	(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			
<b>4♣♦♥♠</b>	7	Preempt				
High Level Bidding		h Level Bidding	Additional Notes	Imp	Imps for VP	

High Level Bidding	
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=1 <sup>st</sup> step;	
If no control was implied, show/ask control first;	
from captain: Dвь is рем; Rdвь is next relay	
from responder: DBL/RDBL is 1st step with control	
Jump to 5 <sup>th</sup> level=Voidwood 0123	
5мт is often pick-a-slam	
After 3nt: 4m=MinRkc→[+1]=min; higher=Rkc steps	

Additional Notes
Transfers after 1 ♦ -(1♥)-?
DBL=4-5(6) <b>♠</b>
1♠nт2♣=transfer to NT♣♦
$2$ ♦=INV $^+$ 0-3 $\spadesuit$ ; 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