



DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING		LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening)		OPENING LEADS STYLE			
5 card suit and constructive		Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Ghestem	Suit	4th or normal count	4th or normal count	Category:	Lady Milne
Weak jump overcalls - 6 cards	NT	4th; top of sequence; strong tens	4th or normal count	Country:	Northern ireland
	Subseq	giving remaining count	giving remaining count	Event:	2021
	Other:			Players:	Fitzpatrick Anne, Kelly-Rogers Mary
1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)		LEADS			SYSTEM SUMMARY
INT immediately after opening bid shows 15-17 HCP and stopper in bid suit		Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
1NT in 4th position is 15-17 NT if 2 suits bid		Ace	may hold K but asks for attitude or SP	promises K	15 -17NT and 5 Card majors; 2/1 game forcing; most jump shift responses are artificial
1NT in 4th position is protective and 10 - 14 HCP if only 1 suit bid		King	may promise the A but asks for count	Promises the Q	Upside down count/ attitude
		Queen	Promises the J	Promises the J	Weak 2 openings - 2♦ multi; 2♥ / 2♠ = weak 6 card suit
		Jack	Promises the T	Promises the T	Weak jump overcalls (6card); non penalty double to 4♦ :constructive overcalls
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)		10	may promise the 9	promises the J and higher honour	opening 1♣ can be short at least 2
1-Suit: weak 6 card major or 6♦ over 1♣		9	may promise the 8	Promises the 8	opening 1♦ will be 4 card
2-Suit:		Hi-x	even no	even no	1NT Openings: 15-17 HCP
		Lo-x	Odd no	Odd no	2 OVER 1 ResponsesGame force
Reopen:	SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE	
DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)		Partners Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding	Opening 2♥ - 6 card weak
Ghestem	Suit:1st	attitude;count; SP	upside down count	SP	Opening 2♠ - 6card suit weak
Cue bid shows support for partner's suit	2nd	upside down count	upside down count	hand protection	Opening 2♦ - weak 6 card major or strong NT 20-22 HCP or 8 playing tricks
	3rd				Lebensohl
	NT: 1st	high; upside down count	upside down count	SP	Ghestem
VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)	2nd	upside down count	smith peters	hand protection	Gambling 3 NT - solid suit nothing outside.
Double for penalties over weak NT	3rd				Drury
2♣ - one suited hand	Signals (including Trumps): Low to encourage			Bergen Raises	
2♦ - both majors, at least 4/4	Trump suit preference				
2♥ - hearts and a minor - may only hold 4 card ♥ suit. 11+ pts					
2♠ - spades and a minor - may only hold 4 card ♠ suit. 11+ pts					
Over Strong NT X = minors	DOUBLES				
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)	TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)				
Over weak 2'sDouble - take out or 19+Responder lebensohl 2NT or 2/3x invitational	Takeout doubles up to 4♦, double is shape suitable and too strong to overcall, when 2				
Cue = asking in NT. Jump over 2♥ = 3♠ = constructive semi solid 15-16pts	have been bid by the opposition then double promises the other 2 suits and 10+ pts				
4♣ and 4♦ are 6 card m and 4other M. 3NT is single suited m and ♥/ ♠ stop.	When partner opens and LHO overcalls double shows other 2 suits				
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS	SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES			SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
over 1♣ Pass = Strong or Nat Dbl = ♣ + ♠ 1♦ = ♦ + ♠ 1♥ = ♥ + ♠ 1♠ = preemptive (may	1m - DBL shows at least 4/3 in the Ms. Opening points or stronger hand				
only be 3♠) 1NT = ♣ + ♥ 2♣ = ♣ + ♦ 2♦ = ♦ + ♥ 2♥/2♠ = 5/6+ cards	1M - DBL shows Opening points or shape suitable hand				
2NT = extreme two suiter	DBL - at 3 level t/o.			IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE	
	DBL at 4♥ level and above is for penalties but partner can still bid.			Inverted minors off in competition	
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE	Support doubles				
Either support partner's suit or bid own suit showing a 5 card suit					
Redouble - 9+ HCP				Psychics:	
Cue their suit 3 card support for partner					

OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS

Opening	Artificial	Min.	Neg Dble thr	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1♣	yes	3		11+ HCP	Own suit/ jump fit/splinter /cue bid/inv m	normal bidding or cue bidding	
1♦	yes if 4432	3		11+ HCP	Own suit/ jump fit/splinter/cue bid/inv m	normal bidding or cue bidding	
1♥	no	5		11+ HCP	Own suit/ jump fit/ splinter and cue bid	normal bidding or cue bidding	
1♠	no	5		11+ HCP	Own suit/ jump fit/splinter and cue bid	normal bidding or cue bidding	
1NT	no			15- 17 HCP	stayman/transfers	normal bidding/ break transfer with 4	
2♣	yes			23+ HCP or distributional	Controls	Normal bidding	
2♦	yes			multi-weak M/20-22 NT or 8 playing	2♥ Pass or correct 2♠ 10+ HCP tolerance for ♥ 2NT enquiry	pass or 2NT over 2♠ bid 3♥ if weak	
2♥	yes	6		8 - 9 HCP	2NT asking		
2♠	yes	6		8 - 9 HCP	2NT asking		
2NT	yes	5♣ /5♦		6 - 11 HCP	3♣ /3♦ to play. 3♥ /♠[natural - at least 5 card suit	pass or If hold 3 card support for Major bid 4	
3♣	no	7		6 - 9 HCP	3NT /5♣ to play		
3♦	no	7		6 - 9 HCP	3NT/5♦ to play		
3♥	no	7		6 - 9 HCP	3NT/4♥ to play		
3♠	no	7		6 - 9 HCP	3NT/4♠ to play		
3NT	yes	6		10+ HCP long minor no outside stop	pass. 4♣ pass or correct. 4♦ singleton ask 4♥/4♠ to play		
4♣	no	7		Texas	4NT ace asking		
4♦	no	7		Texas	4NT ace asking		
4♥	no	8		Weaker preempt	4NT ace asking		
4♠	no	8		Weaker preempt	4NT ace asking		
4NT	no				Ace asking	5♣=0 5♦ = 1 5♥ = A♥ 5♠ = A♠ 5NT = 2 6♣ =A♣	
5♣	no	8					
5♦	no	8					
	n/a						
	n/a						
	n/a						

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

RKCB(1403) DPOI ROPI

Cue bid promises first round control in that suit when trump suit is agreed

Splinter promises singleton in bid suit and agrees trump suit

Gerber over NT

5NT grand slam force

Modified Blackout

5NT bypassing 4NT asks for holding in trump suit