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| **DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING** |  | LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | | | |  | W B F CONVENTION CARD |
| **OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level ; Reopening)** | **OPENING LEADS STYLE** | | | | | |  |
| Simple – usually sound at 2 level, less so at favourable |  | | Lead | | In Partner’s Suit | | **CATEGORY: Green** |
| Vulnerability or at 1 level, usually decent suit | Suit | | 4th best, 2nd of xxxx(x), top from xxx. | | Same | | **NCBO: Ireland** |
| Responses - Change of suit natural and forcing | NT | | Same | | Same | | **PLAYERS: Ian Lindsay Ian Hamilton** |
| Cue of opponent’s suit usually sound support | Subseq | | Same | | same | | **EVENT Camrose 4/1/25** |
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| **1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)** | LEADS | | | | | | SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| 15-17 direct | Lead | | Vs. Suit | | Vs. NT | |
| 11-13 4th seat | Ace | | Asks for reversed attitude | | Same | | GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |
| 17-19 sandwich | King | | Asks for standard count | | Same) | | Acol with 4 card Majors |
| System “on” in all cases | Queen | | QJ asks for rev attitude | | QJ or KQ otherwise same | | Multi 2♦ - 19-20 balanced or Weak Two Major (5-10) |
|  | Jack | | J10, short or A or KJ10 | | Same | | 2♥/♠- 5♥/♠ + 4/5 unspecified minor (5-10) |
| **JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)** | 10 | | 109, short or H109 | | Same | | Weak no trump 12-14 HCP, Stayman/transfers |
| Jump – weak 6+ suit, except 3♣ is highest + lowest suits | 9 | | Highest | | Same | | With 4M 4m we open the Major |
| Double jump - weak and 7+ carder | Hi-X | | Doubleton or four | | Same | |  |
|  | Lo-X | | Hxxx | | Same | |  |
| Reopen: | SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | | | | |  |
| **DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)** |  | Partner’s Lead | | Declarer’s Lead | | Discarding | SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE |
| Direct cue = Highest 2 suits 5+ 5+ 7 losers or less | 1 | Reverse attitude | | Standard count | | Odd like, even Suit pref | Multi 2♦ - 19-20 balanced or 5-10 sound 6 card Major |
| 2NT = lowest 2 suits, 5+ 5+ 7 losers or less | Suit 2 | Suit preference | | Suit preference | | Standard count | Weak 2♥/♠ - 5-10 HCP with 5 in anchor Major and 4+ in unspecified minor |
| 3♣ = Other 2 suits 5+ 5+ 7 losers or less | 3 | Standard count | |  | |  | Inverted Minors Note 4 |
| Jump cue = Asks for stop in suit, strong with minor suit | NT 1 | Standard count | | Smith peters Standard count | | Odd like, even Suit pref | All 1x-3x are pre-emptive |
| **VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)** | 2 | Suit preference | | Suit preference | | Standard count | 1♦ - 3♣ is 8-9 with ♦ |
| X = Penalty if weak NT, minor suit if strong or a passed hand | 3 |  | |  | |  |  |
| 2♣ = majors with 2♦ enquiry | Signals (including Trumps): SP in Trumps, Smith peters Note 7 | | | | | |  |
| 2♦ = Major single suiter | Lead of a king asks for orthodox count, ace for reverse attitude | | | | | |  |
| 2♥/♠ = 5+ M and 5m – 2NT strong ask -3♣/♦ = pass or correct |  | | | | | |  |
| 2NT = Minors | DOUBLES | | | | | |  |
| 3X = Strong invitation |  |
| **VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)** | **TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)** | | | | | |  |
| X for takeout up to 4♥ | Can be light with shape. | | | | | |  |
| 4m is Michaels and non leaping Michaels see note 6 | Of a transfer or cue suggests that suit | | | | | |  |
|  | Of a cue of our suit shows a top honour | | | | | |  |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣ |  | | | | | | SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| 2 level over 1♣ as for defence to 1nt, natural over 2♣ | SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS | | | | | | When we have bid constructively to game and are outbid |
| 1 of a suit is natural, 1NT is a transfer to ♣ | Over 1NTx Rdble is escape to single suiter | | | | | |  |
| After (1♣)-P-(1♦) X is ♦ other bids are the same |  | | | | | |  |
| OVER OPPONENTS’ TAKEOUT DOUBLE |  | | | | | | IMPORTANT NOTES |
| Redouble = 9+ short opener’s suit, 1NT = 8-10 with stop |  | | | | | | 1NT rebid may contain a singleton in partners suit |
| New suits natural and forcing |  | | | | | |  |
| 2NT = sound 3 level raise, 3NT = 5 card raise with defence |  | | | | | | **PSYCHICS: Rare** |

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| **OPENING** | **TICK IF**  **ARTIFICIAL** | **MIN. NO. OF CARDS** | **NEG.DBL THRU** |  | | | |
| **DESCRIPTION** | **RESPONSES** | **SUBSEQUENT ACTION** | **COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING** |
| 1♣ |  | 4 | 4♥ | Natural, long suits first | 1NT (8-9) with ♣ Inverted raises see note 4 | 1NT rebid is 12-16 with Crowhurst 2♣ | Good/bad 2nt after disturbed |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Asking for range and majors note 5 | response note 2 |
| 1♦ |  | 4 | 4♥ | Natural, long suits first | Inverted Minors see note 4, 3♣ is 8-9 with ♦ | As for 1♣ opening . Plus see Note 1b | As for 1♣opening . |
| 1♥ |  | 4 | 4♦ | Natural, long suits first | 2nt = good raise to 3 or better, 3NT 4 card | As for 1♣opening . Plus F1 2♣ Note 1a | As for 1♣opening . |
|  |  |  |  | With 4M 4m we bid 1M | Balanced raise, 3♥ pre-emptive |  |  |
| 1♠ |  | 4 | 4♥ | As for 1♥ opening | As for 1♥ opening | As for 1♣opening . Plus F1 2♣ Note 1 a |  |
| INT |  |  | 4♥ | 12-14 | 2♣= Stayman, 2♦= ♥, 2♥= ♠, 2♠= ♣ 2NT=♦ 3X is SI | For Responder 2 level bids rebids are GI, | Good/Bad 2NT see Note 2 |
| 2♣ |  | 0 | 4♥ | FG | 2♦ relay, 2/3 a positive, decent suit | 2♣- 2♦ -2♥ is ♥ or ♣ | Note 3 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2NT any 5-5 reasonable suits | 2♣- 2♦-3♣ is ♦ and another suit | Note 3 |
| 2♦ |  | 0 |  | 5-9 with decent ♥/♠ suit or  19-20 balanced | 2♥ no interest in heart game, 2♠ implies hearts NF | Over 2NT rebid system on |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2NT asks. 3♣/♦ FG max ♥/♠; 3♥/♠ minimum |  |  |
| 2♥ |  | 5 | 4♦ | 5♥/4+m (5m vul) 5-9 or 6/10 | 2NT asks - 3♣/♦min 3♥/♠ max with ♣/♦ |  |  |
| 2♠ |  | 5 | 4♥ | 5♠/4+m (5m vul) 5-9 or 6/10 | As above |  |  |
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| 2NT |  |  | 4♥ | 21-22 | 3♣ - 5 card Stayman with Puppet continuations |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 3♦/♥ transfer, 3♠ minors, 4x SI Transfer to suit above |  |  |
| 3♣ |  | 6 |  | Normal pre-empt | Suits natural and forcing |  |  |
| 3♦ |  | 6 |  | Normal pre-empt | Suits natural and forcing |  |  |
| 3♥ |  | 7 |  | Normal pre-empt | Suits natural and forcing |  |  |
| 3♠ |  | 7 |  | Normal pre-empt | Suits natural and forcing |  |  |
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| 3NT |  |  |  | Solid minor, little outside | 4♣ = pass or correct | 4♦ asks for shortage with coded response |  |
| 4♣ |  | 7-8 |  | weak |  |  |  |
| 4♦ |  | 7-8 |  | weak |  |  |  |
| 4♥ |  |  |  | 7-8 PT with little defence |  |  |  |
| 4♠ |  |  |  | 7-8 PT with little defence |  |  |  |
| 4NT |  |  |  | Specific ace ask | 5♣= none 5NT=2 |  |  |
| 5♣ |  |  |  | 7-9 PT little defence |  | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING | |
| 5♦ |  |  |  | 7-9 PT little defence |  | RKCB – 3041, ROPI DOPI | |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Triple jump Exclusion KCB | |
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Supplementary notes

1a Gazzilli. After 1Major opening and 1 level response, Openers rebid of 2♣ is F1 and either natural with clubs or GF.

Responder

With 9+ HCP (8+ if response was 1NT) Bids 2 of lowest unbid suit

Opener shows a natural bid by rebidding his major, or 3♣ over a ♦ opening. Any other bid is FG

With fewer Gives normal preference, rebids suit or raises clubs.

Any further bid by opener is GF.

1b Gazzilli . After 1♦ opening and 1 level response, Openers rebid of 2♦ shows 11-16 5♦4+♣, 2♣ is a transfer, can be strong

1. Good/bad 2NT applies if:
   1. Our 1NT is overcalled;
   2. Opener can’t rebid his suit at the 2 level due to intervention;
   3. Opposite a double of Multi, Weak two or two suited 2 level opener, or doubled suit raised to 2
   4. We double a weak NT
   5. Opener reverses

Asks partner to bid 3♣ If followed by 3NT promises stop. Other bids are F1.

1. After a 2♣ - 2♦ - Any - the Responder usually relays the next step up to enable Opener to more fully describe his hand
2. Inverted Minors. After 1m 2m suits Opener describes his hand

3m Minimum Suit bids by responder are stops

Next step 13-14 Suit bids by responder are FG and shortage, 2NT is FG balanced

A suit by opener is shortage, NT or 3m is balanced

2nt FG 15+ no shortage Suit bids by responder are shortage, 3m is balanced

Suit FG 15+ shortage Suit bids by responder are shortage, 2NT or 3m is balanced

1. Crowhurst

If Opener rebids 1NT 12-16, 2♣ by Responder is a strength and distribution enquiry. NB applies after a 1♣ opening

Openers response

With 15-16 FG Bids 2nt or above

With 12-14 NF Bids below 2nt with 2♦ as the default bid Minimum bids by responder are to play

1. Leaping and Non-Leaping Michaels

After any pre-empt 4m is FG and shows the bid minor and a Major at least 5-5

If the Major is unknown 4M is pass or correct

A cue or 4th suit shows additional strength

1. Smith Peters v NT contract. Both play High-low on first suit Declarer plays to signal like the opening lead