

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level ; Reopening)
Simple – usually sound at 2 level, less so at favourable
Vulnerability or at 1 level, usually decent suit
Responses - Change of suit natural and forcing
Cue of opponent's suit usually sound support
1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
15-17 direct
11-13 4 th seat
17-19 sandwich
System "on" in all cases
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Jump – weak 6+ suit, though vulnerability taken into account
Double jump - weak and 7+ carder
Reopen:
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Questem – 2NT = lowest 2 suits, cue = two highest
3♣ = 2 highest and lowest (of remaining suits)
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
Double of 1NT penalty
2♣ = majors with 2♦ enquiry
2♦ = Major single suiter
2♥/♠ = 5+ major and an undisclosed minor – 2NT strong ask -
3♣/♦ = pass or correct
VS. PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
X for takeout up to 4♥
Over weak 2M - 4♣/♦ = suit + other Major (Leaping Michaels)
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1S or 2S
Over 1♣ simple overcall = natural, 2♣ Majors 2♦ unspecified M
2♥/♠ = that M and a minor
Over 2♣ overcalls are natural
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Redouble = 9+ short opener's suit, 1NT = 8-10 with stop
New suits natural and forcing
2NT = sound 3 level raise, 3NT = 5 card raise with defence

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	4 th best & top or 2 nd of 4	4 th best & top or 2 nd of 4	
NT	4 th best & top or 2 nd of 4	4 th best & top or 2 nd of 4	
Subseq	Orthodox remaining length	Ditto (occas. S/P)	
Other: very low card from known long suit suggests an outside void			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AK or unsupported (att)	Unblock or rev att	
King	KQ or AK or short (count)	KQ or short (count)	
Queen	QJ or short (att)	(K)QJ or short (att)	
Jack	J10 or short	J10 +/- A/K	
10	109 or short	10/9 +/- higher	
9	short	Possibly higher card	
Hi-X	doubleton	doubleton	
Lo-X	Hxxxx	Hxxxx	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Reverse attitude	Orthodox length	Odd like
Suit 2	Suit preference	Suit preference	Even dislike
3	Normal length		Orthodox length if possible
NT 1	Orthodox length	Orthodox length	
2	Suit preference	Suit preference	
3			
Signals (including Trumps): SP in Trumps, Smith peters			
Lead of a king asks for orthodox count, ace for reverse attitude			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
Can be light with shape.			
Of a transfer or cue suggests that suit			
Of a cue of our suit shows a top honour			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
Over 1NTx Rdbld is escape to single suiter			
Lebensohl 2NT applies after partner doubles weak 2 or Multi and next hand passes or bids 2♥/♠ over Multi			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: Green
NCBO:
PLAYERS: Ian Hamilton Ian Lindsay
EVENT Open
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Acol with 4 card Majors
Multi 2♦ - 19-20 balanced or Weak Two Major (5-10)
2♥/♠ - 5♥/♠ + 4/5 unspecified minor (5-10)
Weak no trump 12-14 HCP, with 5 card Stayman/transfers
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
Multi 2♦ - 19-20 balanced or 5-10 sound 6 card Major
Weak 2♥/♠ - 5-10 HCP with 5 in anchor Major and 4+ in unspecified minor
Inverted Minors
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
When we have bid constructively to game and are outbid
IMPORTANT NOTES
PSYCHICS: Rare

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	Natural, forcing except 1NT (6-9) 2NT (11-12) Jump shift natural and GF, jump raises NF	1NT rebid is 11-16 with Crowhurst 2♣	
1♦		4	4♥	Natural, long suits first	Inverted Minors over both minors. Next suit = 13-14, 2NT = 15-17, 3m minimum	1NT rebid is 11-16 with Crowhurst 2♣	
1♥		4	4♦	Natural, long suits first	Natural, forcing except 1NT(6-9) Jump shift natural and GF, jump raises weak	1NT rebid is 11-16 with Crowhurst 2♣	
1♠		4	4♥	Natural, long suits first	Double jump shift splinter but limited 2NT - 4 trumps at least sound raise to 3	Over 2NT opener relays with 3♣, responder elucidates as next column	3 of trump suit is sound 3 level raise, else is splinter or strong
INT			4♥	12-14	2♣= 5 cd Stayman, 2♦= ♥, 2♥= ♠, 2♠= ♣ 2NT=♦ Jumps slam tries, one loser suit	Over 2♣ - 2♦ minimum, no 5M 2NT= max Responder bids suits wishes to potentially play in	Lebensohl applies over 2 level intervention. Direct 3NT promises a stop
2♣		0	4♥	23-24 balanced or GF	2♦ relay, 2/3 a positive, decent suit	Kokish over 2♣- 2♦ - 2♥ commands 2♣ 2NT cancels hearts and is 25-26	
2♦		0		5-9 with decent ♥/♠ suit or 19-20 balanced	2♥ no interest in heart game, 2♠ implies hearts NF 2NT asks. 3♣/♦ max ♥/♠; 3♥/♠ minimum	Over 2NT rebid system on	
2♥		6	4♦	5♥/4+m (5m vul) 5-9 or 6/10	2NT asks - 3♣/♦min 3♥/♠ max with ♣/♦		
2♠		6	4♥	5♠/4+m (5m vul) 5-9 or 6/10	As above		
2NT			4♥	20-22	3♣ - 5 card Stayman with Puppet continuations 3♦/♥ trans, 3♠ minor(s)	Opener relays with 3NT. Responder bids minor or short major with both	4NT shows 4:4. 4NT by opener is sign-off
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		
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	