# Defensive and Competitive Bidding

## Overcalls (Style; Responses; Reopening)

1 - level: 5-18 hcp 2 - level: Sound

## 1 NT overcall (2ND/4TH; Responses; Reopening)

1NT = 15-18

#### Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

2NT=two lowest suits (5+-5+)

Reopen: 11-14 HCP, 6+

#### Direct and Jump Cue Bids (Style; Responses)

Over m: Both M (5+, 5+) (nat if  $\clubsuit=2+$ , then  $2 \diamondsuit$  both M)

Over M: Other Major + minor (5+-5+)

Jump cue-bid: Asks for stopper, except 1♣-3♣ =nat

## VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopen: PH)

Dbl = equal strength, "10-12 bal" in  $4^{th}$  (may be a little stronger)

2♣ = Stayman (typically both M or 1M + 1m)

2♦= One major (Competitive or inv+)

2M = Nat, "11-14" hcp 2<sup>nd</sup> seat, little weaker 4<sup>th</sup> seat.

2NT = both minor or strong 2-suiter

#### VS. Preempts (Doubles; Cue bids; Jumps; NT bids)

X=t/o

2NT = 15-18

Leaping/Non-leaping Michaels

#### **VS. Artificial Strong Openings**

Yeslek (but jumps are natural)

## Over Opponents' take out double

XX = 10 + hp

Transfers after 1M - (x) up to 2M

# Leads and Signals

#### Opening Leads Style

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>
NT	ATT	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>
Subseq	Low = enc	

#### Leads

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT				
Ace	AKx/AKxx(x)	AK/AKx/AKxx(x)				
King	AK/KQ/KQJ(x)/ KQT(x)	KQ/KQJ(x)/KQT(x)				
Queen	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/KQ109(x)/ KQJ(x)				
Jack	HJT(x)/JT(x)	HJT(x)/JT(x)				
10	HT9x/AQT(x)/T9x	HT9x/AQT9(x)/T9x(x)				
9	KJ98/9/9x	H98x/9x				
Х	$Hx\underline{\mathbf{x}}x/xx\underline{\mathbf{x}}(x), \underline{\mathbf{x}}x$	$Hxx$ $\underline{x}(x)/HT9x$ , $\underline{xx}$ $x(x)$				

## Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding		
Suit:	Rev Att	Count	Rev Att		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count	Lavinthal	Lavinthal		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lavinthal		Count		
NT:	Rev Att	Smith	Rev Att		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	count	Lavinthal	Lavinthal		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lavinthal	Count	Count		

**Signals (including Trump's)**: high-low = even/disc

Standard smith vs NT (high enc)

#### Doubles

## Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light

#### Special, Art and Comp Dbl/Rdbl's

Support dbl/rdbl



# System Card





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Players

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## System Summary

## General Approach and Style

Nat. 5542

Transfer responses to 1♣ opening

(14+)15-17NT

2♣ = 18-21 bal el sterk ubal

## Special bids that may require defence

Transfer responses to 1♣ opening  $2 \neq = Multi (5/6M 2-7hcp) or 24+NT$ 

1M - 2♣ = 3+M 8+

## Special forcing pass sequences

After GF establish or obvious opps is sacrificing

# Important notes that don't fit

2-way checkback stayman

(1/2M) – x – (pass) – trsf responses

#### **Psychics**

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Opening	Art	Min. #	Neg. D.	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1♣	X	2	4♥	2+♣, 11-22hp	$1 ◆ = 4 + \blacktriangledown$ , $1 \blacktriangledown = 4 + \spadesuit$ , $1 \spadesuit = \text{bal or} \spadesuit$ , $1 \text{NT} = 10 - 12$ $2 \clubsuit = \text{inverted minor inv+}$ , $2 \spadesuit / 2 \blacktriangledown = 6 + \blacktriangledown / \spadesuit = 0 - 9 \text{ hcp or GF}$ , $2 \spadesuit = \text{both m}$ , $5 + 5 +$ , $0 - 9 \text{ or GF}$ , $2 \text{NT} = \text{GF}$ , $3 \clubsuit = \text{preempt in} \clubsuit$ , $3 \spadesuit = \text{pree}$ , $3 \text{M} = \text{void}$ , $3 \text{nt} = 16 - 18$	1 - 1 - 1 - 2 = Good 12-14, 4 1m - 1x - 2NT = GF 6+m	2♦ = Invitational ♣ 2M = Fit jump
1•		4	4♥	4+♦, usually 5+♦ or 4♦4M, 11-22 hp	$1 \checkmark / 1 ? / 1 NT = nat$ , $2 . = GF nat$ , $2 . = inverted minor inv+, 2 \checkmark / 2 . = 6-card, 0 - 8 hp, 2NT = Nat inv, 3 . = nat inv, 3$		3♣ = Invitational ♦ 2M = Fit jump
1♥		5	4•	5+♥ 11-21hp	$2 \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{=} 3 + \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\lor}, 8 +, 2 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{=} GF, 2NT = GF \text{ bal or } \stackrel{\clubsuit}{•}, 3 \stackrel{\bigstar}{•}/ \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{•} = \text{nat inv, } 3 \stackrel{\blacktriangledown}{\lor} = \text{preempt, } 3 \stackrel{\blacktriangle}{•} = \text{splinter in any, } 3NT = \text{void } \stackrel{\clubsuit}{•}, 4m = \text{void}$	1M - 1NT - 2♣ = gazzilli (nat 11- 15 or 16+), 2NT = 5-5+ GF 1♥ - 1♣, 2NT = GF 6+♥	
1♠		5	4•	5+♠ 11-21hp	$2 \clubsuit = 3 + \spadesuit$ , 8+, $2 \spadesuit / \blacktriangledown = GF$ , 2NT = GF bal or ♣, $3 \clubsuit / \spadesuit / \blacktriangledown = nat$ inv, $3 \clubsuit = preempt$ , 3NT = splinter in any, $4m / \blacktriangledown = void$		
1 NT			4•	(14)15-17 NT (5M/6m/5422, rarely sing)	Stayman/transfer, $2 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{minor stayman}$ , $2NT = \text{inv (may have 4M)}$ , $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{ask 5c M}$ , $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} / \checkmark / \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \text{short}$		
2♣	X	0	4•	18-21 NT or strong unbalanced	2♦ = waiting bid, 2M/3m = to play opposite 18-21, 2NT = 55M+M or 6+M GF, 3M = short, GF	2♣ - 2♦ - 2♥ = 18-19 bal or Nat	
2.	X	0		Multi, 5/6M (0)2-7 hcp or 24+NT. Promise 6 vul	2/3♥/♠ = pass or correct, 2NT = Asking, 4♣=ask for transfer	2 <b>.</b> 2 • 2 NT: 3 • = ♥ not max w/6, 3 • = • not max w/6, 3 ♥ = max • , 3 • = max • , 3 NT=24-25	
2♥		6		6♥ 8-11 hcp	2NT = asking, other bids = natural forcing, jumps = splinter	2M-2NT: 3♣ = 4+ sidesuit (unknown), 3♦=short minor, 3M = min no short, 3OM = short, 3NT = max, no short, 4x = void	
2♠		6		6 <b>4</b> 8-11 hcp	Same as above		
2 NT				22-23 bal	Puppet stayman (3 $\checkmark$ denies -> 3 $\spadesuit$ = transfer 3NT, 3NT = 5 $\spadesuit$ ) and transfers, $4x = \text{slamtry in suit } \pm 2$	Slam Conventions	
3x		6		PRE, ACC to VUL	New suit on 3-level is forcing vul, constructive NF non vul		
3NT	X			the side	4♣=p/c, 4♦=Asks for control	Italian Cue-bids	
4♣,♦		6		PRE acc to vul		Jacoby	
4 <b>♥,</b> ♠ 4NT		6		To play Asking for specific aces	$5 \stackrel{\bullet}{=} = 0$ , $5 \stackrel{\bullet}{\checkmark} \checkmark \stackrel{\bullet}{\checkmark} = $ that ace, $5NT = \stackrel{\bullet}{•}$ ace, $6x = 2$ aces	RKCB (0314) DOPI/ROPI	