DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

1-level 7nv-17hcp, rarely 4-card; 2-level opening hand, 5+cards Adv.: new suit F if resp passes, otherwise NF; 1NT=8-11hcp Unassuming cue bid = 10+hcp & support; (1x)-1y-(2x/3x)-X=USCeauiv.

Protective: direct suit o/c up to 13hcp; jump suit o/c 5+card 14-17hcp; X then new suit 5+card, 18+hcp.

1NT OVERCALL

OVERCALLS

15-17 hcp_direct_o/c

18-20 hcp X and then NT(if adv doesn't make positive bid) Protective: direct 1NT 11-14hcp, X then NT 15-18, 2NT 19-21hcp Stayman & transfers if opponents pass, otherwise natural

JUMP OVERCALLS

(1C)-2D & (1D/H/S)-3C= Ghestem (not played in protective position)

WJO with new suit NF, 2NT ask & show feature if upper range Protective: jump suit 5+card,14-17hcp

DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS

Excl 1C opening, direct cue of 1-level suit opening is Ghestem, jump cue is NT stop ask.(1c)-2c nat; (1C)-3C Ghestem(D/S)

VS. NT

X=ms 2C=Ms 2D=single suited 2M=tartan type, with 2NT ask re m Except unpassed hand v. weak when X=penalty & 2NT= ms 4th hand X of Stayman, transfer= suit & values

VS. Pre-empts

X T.O, with 2NT Leb.; v Texas X that suit and values. Suit nat NF (but good hand); 2NT 16-19hcp (possibly less 4th) Cue of weak 2M/Tartan=NT stop ask: Cue of weak2D=M's Cue of 3-level pre-empt=Ms/ OM/unidentified m (5c is p/c) (weak2M)-4m= 55 m/OM ,strong ;(weak 2M)-4NT=55ms,strong

Over Opponents Overcall

new suit F (unpassed); raise & jump raise limit,1NT,2NT,3NT all nat limit bids, NF (no 1NT F, no Jacoby, Bergen)

Cue & Splinters GF

Dbl jump raise pre-empt; jump shift 6-card 5-9 hcp NF (passed hand M jump shift is nat, with support for m suit opened, inv)

Over Opponents Takeout Double

With 10+hcp: 2NT=limit raise +; XX =values without trumps for 2NT

jump raise pre-empt; jump shift 6-card 5-9hcp NF (passed hand M jump shift is nat, with support for suit opened, inv)

raise, new suit, 1NT, 3NT, all nat NF (no 1NT F, Jacoby, Bergen)

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	2 nd /4 th , MUD	Same, may lead H doubleton	
NT	2 nd /4 th , TON	Same, may lead H doubleton	
Subseq	Based on remaining holding		

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	denies K	Axx AKx AQx AQJ (A or Q)	
King	AKx KQx AKQ	AKQ AKJ KQJ KQ10	
Queen	QJ10 , QJ9	QJ10 QJ9; AQJ (Q or A)	
Jack	J109, J108; KJ10	J109 J108 AJ10 KJ10	
10	109(x) 10 x; K109 Q109	1098 10x A109 K109 Q109	
9	98x 9x	987x 9x	
Hi-X	Хх	Xx(x)	
Lo-X	x X x (x)	x X xx	

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Att. except to K	SP first trump lead	Odds and evens
Suit 2	Count	Count	Count
3	Suit preference		
1	Att . except to K	Count	
NT 2	Count	Suit preference	
3	Suit preference		

Signal,partner's lead to suit A-K? K-count? Q/J/10 -K/Q/J resp.? Signal partner's lead to NT A-K/Q? K-unblock/count? Q/J/10-K/Q/J resp.? Standard count, attitude.

Discard. Odd card-like the suit. Even discard-suit pref. for other two suits.

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES to 4S level

X is T.O. if 2+ suits unbid & partner hasn't made a positive bid. Repeat X still T.O. Adv bids nat NF, except cue GF; jump inv. (1M)-X-(2M)-2NT=minors; (1M)-X-(2/3M)-X=responsive(1x)-p-(1y)-1NT= distributional TO (1x)-p-(1NT)-X=TO of 1x;

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Negative (after 1-level suit opening), Responsive, Competitive through 4D Support 1^{st} round all levels . 1x-(p)-1y-(X)-XX=3 card support for y 1c-(p)-1d-(1s)-X=Hearts

1c-(1d)-X=both M

X of transfer bid or Stayman= suit and values

Lightner doubles v. suit slam

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GENERAL APPROAC	CH AND STYLE
Strong NT, 5-card N	Л, 2/1 GF, 1C 2+ NF
Standard attitude a	ind count
Discards odd=like,	even=SP

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE			
KCB 41/30	Gerber 0/4,1,2,3. Excl. 0,1,1+Q,2,2+Q		
ROPI,DOPI,D	DEPO		

(1C) -2C nat, 2D =Ms, 2NT= D/H, 3C=D/S					
(1D/H/S)- cue =extremes, 2NT= lower, 3C= other two suits					

Smolen
WJO, 2NT ask
Lebensohl (our 1NT, opponents weak 2)
FSF, GF above 1-level
NMF, inv value at 2-level, GF at 3 level

ISPECIAL	FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

IMPORTANT NOTES

Texas 4C/4D opening

Ghestem weak/inter

PSYCHICS:

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OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1.4.1.♦		2c 4d	4d	12+ hcp NF.(lighter 55 or 6-card suit) 5/5 open suit higher except C/S	Splinters GF; raise, jump raise limit NF; Triple raise =pre-empt; jump shift= 5-9 hcp 6-card NF 1NT= 6-10 hcp, 2NT 11-12 hcp, 3NT 13-15 hcp NF and all deny a 4-card M.	1m-2M-? 2NT asks, bid feature if upper range 1c-2c/3c - new suit =no trump stop Raise to 4m may be KCB(see below) New suit above 4 of agreed m= excl KCB	Passed hand: M jump shift is 5+ card suit, with support for m suit opened, and inv values. Other bids nat limit NF.
1♥ 1♠		5	4d	11+hcp nat NF 5/5 open higher except/S	3-card support: 1NT 4-6 or 10-12 hcp; raise 7-9 hcp,2m(DGR), or Splinter GF. 4-card support:	1M- 2NT -? jump shift 5-card, new suit singleton/void, 4M 11-13hcp 3NT 14/15hcp, 3M 16+ hcp. 1M-2NT-(o/c)-X= singleton/void	Passed hand: 2C=10/11 with support; other bids nat limit NF 1H-1NT-2S/3C/3D F
				Without support: 1NT -Less than GF strength SF 2/1 GF, 3NT 13-15hcp; jump shift OM weak	jump raise 0-5 hcp; raise 6-8 hcp; 3D 9/10 hcp; 3C 11/12hcp, 2NT Jacoby or Splinter GF 5-card support: Triple raise =0-7 hcp, or as 4-card adjusted	1S-1NT- 2c/d/h/2s =NF, m may be short, and new suit or 2s by resp NF, raise nat NF. 1H-1NT-2NT 18/19hcp/ jump rebid inv.	1H-1NT-2c/2d/2h- 2nt/3H= 10-12 1H-1NT-3H- 4m=cue, 10-12 hcp 1H-1NT-2NT-4m=cue, 10-12 hcp 1H-1NT-2NT-3H= NF
INT		2	no	15-17 hcp Preferred to 1-level suit if semi-balanced	2C Stayman, non-prom, with Smolen;4-suit transfers. 3C 55m weak; 3D 55m GF;3H=31(54) 4c Gerber, 4NT quant. M transfers at 4-level.	Break m transfer with max & 1 of top 3 hon Break M transfer with 4-card support & max	Lebensohl; XX =7+ hcp X of art o/c values + suit 1NT-(o/c)-p-(p) — X= short, max.
2*	х		no	23+hcp semi-bal /Acol 2 +	2d relay; new suit 5+ card, 1 ½ quick tricks Jump suit semi-solid, little else	2c-any-2NT-? As after 2NT opening	Opp interfere: 0-4 hcp pass 5+ hcp X or bid good 5-card suit
2♦2♥2♠		6	no	5-10hcp	Raise barrage, 2NT asks, new suit nat NF	2x-2NT-? bid feature if upper range	
2NT		2	no	20-22 hcp semi-bal	4c Gerber; 3c Puppet Stayman (M, or m slam interest) 3d/h transfer, possible slam interest 4d/h transfer, no slam interest/definite interest 3s=5s/4h F; 4s=5/5m slam interest;4NT= quant.	2NT-3c-any-4m =nat, slam interest 3C-3D (4-card M held)-3M=0M 2NT-3D-3H-4H= 6-card slam interest 2NT-3D-3H-4NT=5-card slam interest	Opp interfere: as over 2C 2NT-4D-4H-6H= 6-card 2NT-3D-3H-6H =5-card
3♣♦♥,♠		7 (6c)	no	Pre-empt	New suit F, 3NT nat, 4NT KCB, raise barrage	If opponents interfere, new suit lead directing with support	
3NT		7	no	Solid m, no outside controls	4c or 5c p/c. 4d ask for 3-card M.		
4 .		8	no	H pre-empt, 4+controls	New suit cue, 4NT KCB	Defence: X of Texas shows values + that suit	
4♦		8	no	S pre-empt, 4+ controls			
4♥		8	no	Pre-empt,	Raise to 5h invites 6h if 2 of top 3 honours held	Defence: X t/o; 4NT for ms	
4♠		8	no	Pre-empt		Defence: X for t/o, 4NT for 2-suited	
4NT		0	no	Specific Ace Ask	5c=0, 5D/5D/5S = that Ace only, 5NT= C Ace		
KCB	Step responses: 14/03/2 no Q,2 + Q, void + even, void +odd(bid void suit, or 6trumps). Next suit not trumps is Q and outside K ask. If Q held, and unbiddable K, respond 5NT, lowest trumps=noQ. After 4NT KCB, 5NT by asker is specific K ask. After 4m, KCB, 4NT is to play, lowest +1 new suit is specific K ask.			utside K ask. If Q held, and vest trumps=noQ. specific K ask.	Raise of m suit to 4m is KCB, except a) in competition or b) after pre-emptive 2D/3C/3D opening or c) after raise by weak hand after 2C opening. Interference-? X or XX= 0/3; P=1/4, lowest suit =2 no Q, etc. If opps overcall above 5 of our trump suit X = even no. Pass = odd no. DOPI RPOI DEPO	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING Exclusion Blackwood. If m suit agreed, any new suit above 4 of agreed (implied agreed) m is exclusion. If M trump suit agreed (implied agreed), any new suit above game is exclusion. Step responses 0,1,1+Q,2,2+Q. Interference? X or XX=0, P=1, lowest suit =1+Q, etc. DEPO if overcall is higher than 5 of our suit. Gerber: 4d=0/4,4h=1,4s=2,4nt=3. 4NT continuation is sign-off; 5C for K's. Interference? X or XX = 0 or 4,Pass=1, etc.	