



# EBL Convention Card

Category i.e. Green  
 Country: Ireland  
 Event:  
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## SYSTEM SUMMARY

### GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Strong NT, 5 Cd Major, diamond 4, Multi 2D - either weak 2 in major, aco 2 in minor or 20-22  
 Intermediate jump overcall 11-15 6 cd suit, 2nt = 20-22 5 cd suit,  
 Weak jump response to partner's opening bid.  
 Unassuming cue bids Note 5  
 Inverted minors Note 6  
 INT Openings: 15-17

### SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

Multi 2 diamonds - either weak 2 in major/aco 2 in minor or balanced 20-22  
 Lebensohl - Note 3  
 Chestern  
 Extended Helvic  
 Weak jump raises in competition  
 1c - 3c overcall = Majors  
 3c opening = 5-5 in black suits 3D opening = 5-5 in red suits up to an opening bid or stronger  
 3nt = long minor no outside ace  
 4 level openers pre empt  
 Bergen Raise - Note 4

### SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

### IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

Most low level doubles are T/O  
 RKC 03/14, 2 no Q, 2+Q, 5NT follow up = specific king ask

Psychics:  
 Very rare

LEADS AND SIGNALS	
OPENING LEADS STYLE	
Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	High-low Doubleton, MUD
NT	High-low 2 or 4, MUD
Subseq	Lead or Ace ask for Partner's opening bid, cue bid suit then partner's opening bid
Other:	

## LEADS

Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Lead	Asks Attitude/Rev suit Pref
Ace	Asks Attitude/Odds-Enc and Even=Rev
King	Asks for Rev Count
Queen	Q110, Occasionally Qx
Jack	J109X, Occasionally Jx
10	1098X, H109X
9	H98, 987x,
H/x	odd number except when leading p's overc
Lo-x	Even number except when leading p's overc

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit: 1st	Odds (ENC) and Even rev count	Odds (ENC) and Evens rev suit
2nd	Reverse Count	
3rd		
NT: 1st	Odds (ENC) and Even rev count	Odds (ENC) and Evens rev suit
2nd		
3rd		

## SIGNALS (including Trumps):

Reverse count, Rev suit, pref, odds (ENC) and evens  
 Smith Peter in NT, Lo, Hi by either hand in declarer's first suit ENC our lead.

## DOUBLES

### TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style/Responses/Reopening)

Reopenin Double 8+  
 x of major shows other major,  
 2 suits bid X= other suits  
 Unassuming Cue Bid

### SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES

Negative/Take out Double to 3S  
 Support Doubles

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING	
OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, 1/2 level, Reopening)	
Wide ranging,	
2 level overcall sound Vul, New Suit F1	
Ghestem *Note 1	
Intermediate Jump Overcalls 11-15 6 cd suit	
Cue-bid= support and values	
1nt after two suits bid= other suits	

## 1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)

1nt 15-17  
 1nt in 4th position 9-14 points  
 2nt - Unusual NT \*See Note 1  
 4th seat balancing = 10-15 points stopper not guaranteed, system on

## JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1 Suit: Intermediate 6 cd major or diamond 11-15  
 2 Suit: 1H (opps), 3C=5-5 spades and diamonds  
 1S (opps) 3C= 5-5 hearts and diamonds

## Reopening:

### DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS ( Style; Responses; Reopening)

Ghestem Note 1- Cue bid highest and lowest - 2NT lowest suits, 3C in  
 1M - 2NT Jacoby Note 2  
 Jump Cue in Major: Solid minor looking for stop.  
 VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening/PH)  
 Vs weak - Double for penalties  
 Vs NT - 2C shows hearts and another suit; 2D shows spades and another suit  
 2H/2S 5+cd suit  
 2NT= 5/5 minors

## VS. PREEMPTS ( Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)

Over Weak 2s X=12+ points 2nt= 16-19 3nt 19+ to play  
 Over Weak 3s X=Opt/Penalties; 3NT to play- optional take out; 4C system  
 4nt over 3M or 4H = Minors; 4nt over 4S= any 2 suffer

## VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Aggressive but decent suits if VUL

## OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

New suit= F 1 level, Jumps=Pre empt, 2nt good raise to 3,  
 Redbi= 10+ points  
 1M (x) 2NT =Jacoby

OPEN	TICK IF ART.	MIN NO. OF CARDS	NEG. DBL. THRU.	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1C	x	2	3S	Natural or Weak NT or 18-19 bal	1 level; 6+, 1nt 6-9. Jump shift weak. 3nt 12-14; 1c-2c 10+, 1c-3c 5 clubs 5-sponts; splinters, cue. 1nt denies major. 2c forcing for one round, inverted minor raises. 1nt=6-10, 2c=10+ F1, 2nt=6-9, 3nt=10/11, 4nt=5+ cds pre-emptive, cue, splinter in DIM, Jacoby -2NT game going and 4 cd support, 3NT=flat hand with 3cd support. 3c=8-11, 4cd support.	1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1c - 1x, 1M=54 or 4441, 2NT= 18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1D - 1H, 1S=54 or 4441, 2TN=18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1M=54 or 4441, 2TN=18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1S- 2H=5 cd unbalanced, 3nt=18/19, 1S- 2H=5 cd suit	change of suit forcing for one round, weak jump overcall.
1D		4	3S	11+	1nt denies major. 2c forcing for one round, inverted minor raises.	1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1D - 1H, 1S=54 or 4441, 2TN=18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1M=54 or 4441, 2TN=18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1S- 2H=5 cd unbalanced, 3nt=18/19, 1S- 2H=5 cd suit	
1H		5	3S	5Hs 11+	1nt=6-10, 2c=10+ F1, 2nt=6-9, 3nt=10/11, 4nt=5+ cds pre-emptive, cue, splinter in DIM, Jacoby -2NT game going and 4 cd support, 3NT=flat hand with 3cd support. 3c=8-11, 4cd support.	1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1D - 1H, 1S=54 or 4441, 2TN=18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1M=54 or 4441, 2TN=18 19. Over inverted minor. 2nt=18 1nt 12-14, 2 way check back over 1nt rebid, 1S- 2H=5 cd unbalanced, 3nt=18/19, 1S- 2H=5 cd suit	
1S		5	3S	5S 11+	normal bidding, cue, splinter, Jacoby	1M- 2m-2nt=11-14 may be unbalanced, 3nt=18/19, 1S- 2H=5 cd suit	
1 NT			15-17	may contain 5 cd major	Puppet stayman, transfers to major and minors	break transfer with 4 cd support in major, 3 minor	
2C	x			23+ game force	4C gerber 2d relay	2nt 23-24, 3nt 25/26, 4nt 27/28. In a Minor.	Stayman after 2nt rebid, 3S transfer
2 D				Mult 2 D, 6 cd major weak, aool 2 in minor, 20-22 nt flat	2h less than opener, 2nt 14+, 2NT strength asking/3H non forcing,	over 2nt, 3c lower range hearts, 3d lower range spades, 3h/3s upper range, 4c/4d aool 2 in minor/3nt 2h/22	2d- 3d 6 diamonds weak hand
2H		6		11-15 with 6 hearts	2NT strength asking/3H non forcing,	over 2NT, 3C weak and one honour, 3D weak with two honours, 3H upper range one honour, 3S upper range two new suit forcing promises 5	
2S		6		11-15 with 6 spades	2NT strength asking/3S non forcing	over 2NT, 3C weak and one honour, 3D weak with two honours, 3H upper range one honour, 3S upper range two	
2 NT				20-22 5 cd suit	3C asks 5 cd		
3 C		5-5 Black Suits		5-5 Black Suits Up to opening points			
3 D		5-5 Red Suits		5-5 Red Suits Up to Opening Points			
3 H		7		Pre empt			
3 s		7		Pre empt			
3 NT		7=		Gambling no trump, 7+ cards, no outside ace, solid suit A,K,Q	4C pass or correct, 4D =ask short, 4h/s to play		High Level Bidding DOPI, ROPI, 0314
4 c		7+		Preemptive non vul could be less	4nt asking aces,		Gerber over nt
4 d		7+		Pre empt			Splinter 3rd level
4H		6+		Pre-empt, stronger when vul, 3cd/4th in hand cut out bid			Exclusion Key Card
4S		6+		Pre-empt, stronger when vul, 3rd/4th in hand cut out bid			KeyCard- 4nt
4NT				Asking specific aces,			Minorwood
5C		8+		preemptive non vul could be less	5c = 0, 5d=ace diamonds etc		Cue bidding
5 D		8+		Preemptive non vul could be less			
5 H		8+		Asking for ace and king of trump			
5S		8+		Asking for ace and king of rump			
5NT				Looking for two aces			

<b>Note #</b>	<b>Description</b>
Note 1 Ghestern	<p><b>Bid of Opps Suit: Highest and Lowest Suits 5-5</b>  Bid of 2NT after opps opener shows two lowest unbid suits 5-5  Bid of 3Clubs after 1C opener by opps shows two highest unbid suits  Bid of 3Diamonds after 1D opener by opps shows two highest unbid suits</p>
Note 2 Jacoby 2NT	<p>1M - 2NT = forcing to game - 4 Cd support - balanced no singleton  Answers to 2NT - 3C/D/Other Major = singleton  3M = 17+ points biggest hand  4M = weakest bid 12-14 points  3NT = 15/16 points  4C/D/other M shows second 5 card suit</p>
Note 3 Lebensohl	<p>After interference over partner's strong NT  Bid of 2NT demands 3C -any bid below opps bid is weak with 5cd suit  Bid of opps major promises other major, points for game and no stop  Bid of opps suit after 2NT shows stop and other major and points for game.  Bid of 3nt over opps bid show points for game and no stop  Over opps bid showing two suits - bid of one opps suit shows stop and forcing.</p>
Note 4 Bergen Raises	<p>1M - 3C = 4 cd support 8-11 points  1M - 3D/other M = singleton in suit agreeing opening major</p>
Note 5 Unassuming Cue Bid	<p>After P's overcall bid of opps suits asks strength of overcall</p>
Note 6 Inverted Minors	<p>1 minor - 2 minor shows 10+ points 5+ card support  1. minor - 3 minors - up to 9 points - 5+ cd support</p> <p>Bids in response to partner's 1C opener  2C= 10/11 5+ clubs  2D= 12+ points 5+ clubs  3C= 6-9 points 5+ clubs  2NT= less than 5 point 5+ clubs  4C= minor slam try in clubs</p> <p>Bids in response to partner's 1D opener  2D= 10+ points 4/5 card support  3D= 6-9 points 4/5 cards  2NT= 5+ diamonds less than 6 points</p>