

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
<b>OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)</b>
Mainly natural and non-forcing
Change of suit by partner forcing if there is no intervention
Weak jump overcalls at 2 and 3 level
Reopening does not promise 5 card suit
Otherwise virtually all overcalls are 5+cards
<b>INT OVERCALL (2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> seat 15-17, responses as opener
4 <sup>th</sup> seat 11-14, responses as opener (unless 1 <sup>st</sup> seat bids again)
4 <sup>th</sup> seat after 2 opposing bids = 18-20 balanced
<b>JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)</b>
Weak 2s and 3s (see above)
Ghestem -weak and strong a t least 5/5. Suit opened 2 of that suit shows highest and lowest of the remaining suits; 2NT shows 2 lowest;3C shows 2 highest suits
Reopen:
<b>DIRECT &amp; JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)</b>
Ghestem – as above
Jump asks for stop for 3NT
<b>VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)</b>
Cappeletti <b>Weak:</b> double penalties, 2C single suiter,2D majors, 2M major and minor,2NT minors. <b>Strong:</b> double single suiter, 2C majors,2D minors, 2M as for weak NT.
<b>VS. PRE-EMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)</b>
Double takeout-common sense and “Law” applying at higher levels
NT normally natural
Leaping Michaels
<b>VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣</b>
Over strong 1C overcalls natural
Weak jumps otherwise
<b>OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE</b>
Redouble =9+ and suggests no fit, suits forcing
Jump support as one level lower
2NT/3NT sound raise to 3/4

LEADS AND SIGNALS
<b>OPENING LEADS STYLE</b>
Lead In Partner's Suit
Suit 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Same
NT As above As above
Subse Usually, remaining count Usually, remaining count
Other:
<b>LEADS</b>
Lead Vs. Suit Vs. NT
Ace May hold K but also attitude Same
King May hold A but also count Same
Queen Promises J,10 Same
Jack Promises 10,9 ( internal seq) Same
10 109+ (internal seq) Same
9 9+ Same
Hi-X 4/6 Sx xSxx xxxSxx Same
Lo-X 3/5 xxS xxxSx Same
<b>SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY</b>
Partner's Lead Declarer's Lead Discarding
1 Reverse Attitude Standard Count Suit Preference
Suit 2 Standard Count
3
1 As above As above As above
NT 2
3
Signals (including Trumps):
Reverse attitude and standard count
Trump Echo
<b>DOUBLES</b>
<b>TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)</b>
May be light/distributional
Jumps NF
<b>SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL &amp; COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS</b>
As a rule, are values not penalties

W B F CONVENTION CARD
<b>CATEGORY: Green</b>
<b>NCBO: 1423/1153</b>
<b>PLAYERS: Tony Elliott-Kelly/ John Ferguson</b>
<b>SYSTEM SUMMARY</b>
<b>GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE</b>
Strong No Trump
Five Card Majors
1D only natural with A Kor Q to 4 in the suit -otherwise open 1C
1C may be short (2+)
Open 1C with balanced hands 4432 shape (12-14 pts and 18-19 pts) and hands with no 5-card suit.
Lucas & Multi 2's
Sound 2 level responses but not GF
<b>SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE</b>
2H = hearts & another @ least 5/5 5-9
2D either weak 2 in a major or 23/24 HCP bal
<b>SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES</b>
<b>IMPORTANT NOTES</b>
Double, Bergen and Inverted Minors off in competition
<b>PSYCHICS: rarely</b>

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	✓	2	7S	May be short	Inverted raises, 2C=11/12, 2NT= G/F Weak jumps in 3 suits	New suit by opener extra values	
1♦		4	7S	Natural	Inverted raises as above Weak jumps in majors	As above	
1♥		5	7S	May be balanced	J2nt = inv + 4 scare support as per law of total tricks New suit at 2 level 10+ HCP		
1♠		5		May be balanced	As above		
INT				15-17 balanced	2C 5 Card Stayman, 2D/2H transfer to H/S 2S/2NT transfer to C/D	Break transfer to minimum with 4 Break with 3 to honour or better	
					3C.D/H/S 5+ cards slam aspirations	Usually cues	
2♣	✓	0		(25+) or G/F any hand	2D – 3 controls, 2x 4+ controls	Opener clarifies hand type shape	
2♦		0		Weak 6 card major 5-9 or 23/24 bal	2H/S = pass or correct 2NT natural and forcing	Opener clarifies hand , if 23/24 bal then same as 2NT opener responses 3H = spades	
2♥		5+		5-9 hearts & another 5/5	2nt asks,	3H = H&S 3minor = hearts & minor	
2♠		5		5-9 spades & minor	2Nt asks	3 minor=natural	
2NT				20-22 balanced	3C Puppet Stayman, 3D/3H Trans,3S 5/5 minors 4c= slam try hearts, 4D= slam try spades, 4H = club slam try, 4S = diamond slam try	Over Puppet Stayman 3D 4 M,3NT denies Cue accepts 4NT = no interest	
3♣		7		5-9 weak			
3♦		7		5-9 weak			
3♥		7		5-9 weak			
3♠		7		5-9 weak			
3NT				Solid 7+ minor, little else	4C/5C = pass or convert		
4♣		7+		Texas	Break of transfer slam interest		
4♦		7+		Texas	Break of transfer slam interest		
4♥		7+		Better pre-empt			
4♠		7+		As above			
4NT				Specific Ace ask	5C = none, 5NT = 2		
5♣		8				<b>HIGH LEVEL BIDDING</b>	
5♦		8				RKCB (1403) majors;	
5♥		8				DOPI and ROPI	
5♠		8				GSF	