

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
5c suit, 7-15points, change of suit by partner is forcing for 1 round
Double for take-out
INT OVERCALL (2 nd /4 th Live; Responses; Reopening)
2 nd position 15-17, stopper in opener’s suit, systems are on.
4 th Position 10-14, systems are on.
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak, 6c suit,
Reopen:
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Michaels
UCB, 10+ and 3c support
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
ANTI
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Double up to and including 3S
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1C or 2C
Bid of suit natural, later double is lead directing

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	4 th highest, top of sequence	Low from an honour, Top of a sequence, MUD	
NT	4 th highest,or top of a sequence	4 th highest, highest if only 3c.	
Subseq			
Other:			
LEADS			
Lead	v Suit	v NT	
Ace		seldom	
King	K for count, showing Q, K then Ace shows doubleton	Only if top of a sequence	
Queen	Top of sequence	Only if top of a sequence	
Jack	Top of sequence	Only if top of a sequence	
10	Top of sequence	Seldom unless Partner's suit	
9		Seldom unless partner's suit	
Hi-X	Standard attitude		
Lo-X	MUD		
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Standard attitude and count	count	Odds and evens
Suit 2	Standard attitude and count		
3			
1	Standard attitude and count		Odds and evens
NT 2			
3			
Signals (including Trumps):			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
Up to and including 3S			
8+ points jump a level response to partner's double			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
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SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
5 card majors, strong NT 15-17
Stayman, transfers to majors, Bergen raises even over interference
Multi 2D: 6-10, Tartan 2’s: 5 in major/4 in a minor,6-11, wwss response to 2NT enquiry in both.
Michaels, 2nt is both minors
WJO: 6c suit, WJR: 6c suit less than 5 points
Odds and evens discards
1430
Gerber after last bid NT
UCB, 10 +points, 3c support
4 th suit forcing
ANTI
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
Multi
Tartan
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE		IMPORTANT NOTES
		PSYCHICS:No

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1C	yes	2		Maybe as short as 2	Not forcing		
1D		4		Natural bid	Not forcing		
1H		5			2H:3 card support 6-10 points Bergen:3C:, 4c support. 6-9points, 3D:4c support, 10-12 points. 3H: 4c support 0-5 points 4H:5c support 0-5 points 2NT:4c support 13+ points 3NT: 3c support 13-15 points	- If 2NT is response to opener, 3 level bid of any other suit by opener is shortage(1), 4 level bid of any other suit is 1st round control. - If 2NT is response to opener, a 3 level bid of opener’s suit is 16+.	
1S		5			As for Hearts above		
INT				15-17,	Stayman, transfers to the majors, 2S =8+ points 2NT=9 points	Repeat of either minor at 3 level is 6c suit, weak.	
2C	yes			23+, always game force.	2D relay,		
2D	yes			Multi, weak in a 6c major or 21-22 balanced	2H=relay, 2nt= 15/16+ strong enquiry with wwss response		
2H	yes	5		5c major and 4c minor,	2nt = 14+ enquiry asking minor and points, wwss		
					3c weak, pass or correct		
2S	yes	5		5c major and 4c minor	As for 2H opening above		
2NT				20 points	Stayman, transfers to majors 3S= 5S + 4H		
3C		7		7c suit, 6-9 points			
3D		7		7c suit 6-9 points			
3H		7		7c suit, 6-9 points			
3S		7		7c suit, 6-9 points			
3NT	yes			Long solid minor, no outside stop.	If no stoppers bid 4C, partner will pass or correct.		
4C							

4D							
4H				8c suit			
4S				8c suit			
4NT							
5C						HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5D							
5H							
5S							