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GENERAL APPROACH

Two Over One: Game Forcing Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid
VERY LIGHT: Openings 3rd Hand Overcalls Preempts
FORCING OPENING: 1♣ 2♣ Natural 2 Bids Other

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT
15 to 17
to
5-card Major common
System on over 2C/Db1
2♣ Stayman Puppet
2♦ Transfer to ♥ 4♦, 4♥ Transfer
Forcing Stayman Smolen
2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl (F denies)
2♠ >C 2N=NoLike Neg. Double 2-3 L
2NT >D 3C=NoLike Other: junk stayman

2NT 20 to 21
Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby Texas
3♠ MSS

3NT to
Namyats

Conventional NT Openings
3N=Gambling

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
1st/2nd
3rd/4th

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splitter
Other: Jump = mini/spl or spl
1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
2NT: Forcing Inv. to
3NT: 13 to 15 (flat)
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
Other: Dbl Jump = Void

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv.
1♣
1♦

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
Single raise Other: GF/C-C over Db1
Frequently bypass 4+♦
1NT/1♣ 6 to 10
2NT Forcing Inv. 11 to 12
3NT: 13 to 15
Other: SPIRAL

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
Negative thru 3S
Responsive : thru 3S Maximal
Support: Dbl. thru 2S Redbl
Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv.
Balancing: 10 to 14 (On)
Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
Conv.

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: ALL
2♣ D Or H-S
2♦ H Or S-C
2♥ S Or C-D
2♠ C Or D-H
Dbl: Penalty
Other 2NT=C+H; 3C=D+S
3D or higher = I-Suiter

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 8 to 16 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing NF Const NF
Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
JUMP Q = LR

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
3/4-bids
Conv./Resp.

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
Natural
Strong T/O
Michaels
Leaping Mike

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level 2 level
Jump Shift: Forcing Inv. Weak
Redouble implies no fit

2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak
Majors
Minors
Other JS=Fit; Rdbl maybe LR

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4H Penalty
Conv. Takeout: 4N/4S=any 2
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other:

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

Exclusion: Gerber always a jump; 1430 for all

First Rd controls before 2nd (non-Italian)

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits	versus Notrump
X X x x x x	X X x x x x
x x X x x x x x	x x x x x x X x
(A) K x T 9 x	A K J x A Q J x
K Q x K J T x	A J T 9 A T 9 x
Q J x K T 9 x	K Q J x K Q T 9
J T 9 Q T 9 x	Q J T x Q T 9 x
K Q T 9	J T 9 x T 9 x x

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS vs NT
3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT
At NT: A asks highest, K 2nd high, Attitude vs NT

Primary signal to partner's leads
Attitude Count Suit preference

DEFENSIVE CARDING

vs SUITS vs NT
Standard:
Except
Upside-Down:
count
attitude

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo
Trump Suit Pref.
Foster Echo

SPECIAL CARDING

PLEASE ASK