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GENERAL APPROACH

2 over 1
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 14+ to 17
3♣ puppet stayman
3♦ minors GF
3♥ 31(45)
3♠ 13(45)
5-card Major common 3♥ 31(45)
System on over Art X, 2♣ 3♠ 13(45)
2♣ Stayman Puppet Garbage Stayman
2♦ Transfer to ♥ 4♦, 4♥ Transfer
Forcing Stayman Smolen
2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl (TRF denies)
2♠ xfer♣ (3♣=max) Neg. Double 7+HCP
2NT xfer♦ (3♦=max) Other: TRF Inv+start 3♣

2NT 19+ to 21
Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby Texas
3♠ Relay to 3NT
4m:(21)55;4M:(31)(45)
3NT AKQx to xxx+
4♦=sing? 4N=7222

Conventional NT Openings
TRF Q asks stopper
3S=minors GF

MAJOR OPENING

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

MINOR OPENING

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

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splitter
Other: 3♦=LR; 1♠-3♥=Inv;
1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
2NT: Forcing Inv. 3♣=7 to 9/9-11
3NT: 1♥-3♠=to 9-11 spl
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
Const R; 1M-1N-2N: 4suit TRF
Other: Single jump = (Suit+fit) BPH

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
Single raise Other: 2NT/1♦=INV
Frequently bypass 4+♦ 1c-2c=GF
1NT/1♣ 6 to 11
2NT Forcing Inv. 1♣/12to 14
3NT: 1♣/15 to 17
Other 3NT/1♦=12+to 14; 1♦-2♦=Inv+

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
Negative thru 4♥
Responsive : thru 4♥ Maximal
Support: Dbl. thru 2♥ Redbl
Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
**/neg*=8+HCP w 2 card support

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv. In bal, 2NT=19-21; sys on
Balancing: 10 to 16
Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
Conv. 2♣ = range ask; 2N=13-14

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: 15 in range <15 in range
2♣ Both majors Both majors
2♦ One major One major
2♥ ♥+minor ♥+minor
2♠ ♠+minor ♠+minor
Dbl: 4M+longer m good hand
Other vs 2N, X=M; 1m(N)wk nt def
(1m)P(1N)2♣=(54)M, 2♦=55M

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 18 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing NF Const NF
Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
jump Q = MR; JS=nat, 6+cd, 13+, 1RF

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
3/4-bids
Conv./Resp. new suit forcing

DIRECT CUEBID

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

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 Transfer advances over M

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4♠ Penalty
Conv. Takeout:
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other: Lebensohl if * BUPH only

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

Exclusion (0,1,2,3) next step asks Q; step 1 NO, step 2 YES
4♣=preempt kc (0,1w/o, 1w/, 2w/o, 2w/); opening 4NT=1430 BW
vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: 5 trump suit+ 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)
(A)K x	T 9 x
K Q x	K J T x
Q J x	K T 9 x
J T 9	Q T 9 x
K Q T 9	J T 9 x

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS vs NT
3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT
Attitude vs NT

K = power lead against NT
Primary signal to partner's leads
Attitude Count Suit preference

DEFENSIVE CARDING

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

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo
Trump Suit Pref.
Foster Echo

SPECIAL CARDING PLEASE ASK