



SPECIAL DOUBLES

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

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv. Sandwich NT, Sys off over ib1
Balancing: 11 to 14
Jump to 2NT: Minors 2Lowest
Conv. _____

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GENERAL APPROACH

2/1
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 _____

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 8 to 16 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
Fit showing jumps

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs:
2♣ Unspc 1 suit _____
2♥ Majors _____
2♦ H & minor _____
2♠ S & minor _____
Dbl: 15+ or tricks _____
Other _____

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 15 to 17
to _____
5-card Major common
System on over Dbl, 2C
2♣ Stayman Puppet
2♦ Transfer to ♥ 4♦, 4♥ Transfer
Forcing Stayman Smolen
2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl (fast denies)
2♠ MSS or D bust Neg. Double 2&3 level
2NT Relay 3C/or 4441 Other: Redouble=relay to clubs

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

3NT _____ to _____
Gambling

Conventional NT Openings

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

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

OPENING PREEMPTS

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

2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak
Majors
Minors
Other Fit jumps

MAJOR OPENING

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

MINOR OPENING

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

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splinter
Other: _____
1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
2NT: Forcing Inv. _____ to _____
3NT: _____ to _____
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
Other: _____

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
Single raise Other: _____
Frequently bypass 4+♦
1NT/1♣ 6 to 9
2NT Forcing Inv. 11 to 12
3NT: 13 to 15
Other _____

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
Natural
Strong T/O
Michaels

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4H Penalty
Conv. Takeout: Leaping Michaels
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other: _____

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

Q Ask - 1st Step denies

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 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	J T 9 x T 9 x x

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

LENGTH LEADS:

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

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude Count Suit preference

DESCRIBE RESPONSES/REBIDS

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2♣ _____ to _____ HCP Strong <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> 2♦ Resp: Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Waiting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CM2nd Neg	
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OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF

Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. Fit jumps in comp

4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game

Ingberman

Wolff Sign-Off

Mathe over strong 1C & 2C and 1D response

SPECIAL CARDING **PLEASE ASK**