

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty _____

Negative thru 4H

Responsive: thru 4D Maximal

Support: Dbl thru 2H Rdbl

Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

ELC Double in IMP

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on

Conv. Sandwich PH

Balance: 11 to 15

Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest

Conv.

GENERAL APPROACH

2/1 Multi-2D 6+ segments (weak 2 otherwise)

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 7 to 17 HCP (usually)

Often 4 cards Very light style

Responses

New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF

Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: Strong Weak (15-)

2♠ both M <==

2♥ one M <==

2♥ H + m <==

2♠ S + m <==

Dbl M4m5 or strong Penalty

Other: 2n=mm

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT

15 to 17

to

5-Card Major Common

System On Over X/2C/2D

2♠ Stayman Puppet

2♥ Transfer to ♥

Forcing Stayman

2♥ Transfer to ♠

2♠ C or size ask

2NTD or weak 55m

3♠ ask M5

3♠ 55m GF

3♥ 31 (45) GF

3♠ 13 (45) GF

Texas over 3C

2NT 20 to 21

Puppet Stayman

Transfer Responses:

Jacoby Texas

3♠ 54+ minor

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1-level 2-level

Redouble implies no fit

2NT Over Limit + Limit Weak

Majors

Minors

Other:

4♥, 4♥ Transfer

Smolen

Lebensohl (fast denies)

Negative Double 4H

6NT to

Namyats

Conventional NT Opening

Baze

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light

3/4-bids

Conv./Resp.

VS OPENING PREEMPT DOUBLE IS

Takeout thru 4H Penalty

Conv. Takeout: 4N takeout 4S

Lebensohl 2NT Response

Other: Leaping Michaels

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 Splinter

Other: R. Bergen. 2w-Splinter.

1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing

2NT: Forcing Inv. to

3NT: to

Drury Reverse 2-Way Fit

Other: 3way-Drury. 1M-2C=2. Namyas

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 NF 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: 11+

Frequently bypass 4♦

1NT/1♠: 6 to 10

2NT: Forcing Inv. 11 to 12

3NT: 13 to 15

Other: Wolff. Ingberman. Spiral

DIRECT CUEBID

Over: Minor Major

Natural

Strong T/O

Michaels

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

Minorwood. All 1430, except EKCB 0314.

PKCB 01122. Void Response. Non-serious.

vs. Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: DEPO > 5T

ROPI

LEADS (click card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits

x x	x x x
x x x	x x x x
A K x	10 9 x
K Q x	K J 10 x
Q J x	K 10 9 x
J 10 x	Q J 10 x
K Q 10 9	Q 10 9 x

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

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard: vs Suits vs NT

Except

Rev Smith

Upside-Down Count

Upside-Down Attitude

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal

Odd/Even

rev smith echo

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo

Trump Suit Pref.

Foster Echo

DESCRIBE

2♠ 22 to + HCP or 9 tricks

Strong Other

2♥ Response: Neg Waiting Ctrl-Steps

2♥ 4 to 10 HCP one M (6+ seg)

Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv

2♥ 5 to 10 HCP MM 44+ (6+ seg)

Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv

2♠ 5 to 10 HCP S5 m4+ (6+ seg)

Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv

OTHER CONV CALLS: New Minor Forcing 2-Way NMF XYZ

Weak jump shifts: In Comp. Not In Comp.

4th Suit Forcing: 1 Round To Game UvU=LL/HH

1M (X) xfer from 2C. 1m-(1N)-2C=MM. 1m-1M-2m: +1=F1

VS strong 1C: Suction.

RESPONSES/REBIDS

Ctrl-Steps: 0-1/2/3/4+

Kokish Relay

2C-3x=xfer

2N ask

2NT Force New Suit NF

2N ask

2NT Force New Suit NF

2N ask m

2NT Force New Suit NF

SPECIAL CARDING PLEASE ASK