



SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: **Penalty** _____
 Negative thru 4H
 Responsive : thru 4H Maximal
Support: Dbl. thru -->2 trp **Redbl**
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv. _____
Balancing: 11+ to 17
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
Conv. 2C = Range Ask

NAMES Compton/Goodman

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 7 to 17 HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style
Responses
 New Suit: Forcing NF Const NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
 JQ=Mixed Transfers/Neg Xs

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: **Weak** _____ **Strong** _____
 2♣ **Majors** _____ **Majors** _____
 2♦ -->Hearts _____ -->Hearts _____
 2♥ -->Spades _____ -->Spades _____
 2♠ 4 spade + m 4 spade + m
 Dbl: **Penalty** _____ **Penalty** _____
Other 2NT=4 hearts + minor
 Don't BPH and Balancing

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT
14 to 17 VUL
15 to 17 VUL
 5-card Major common
 System on over X, 2C
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ **Transfer to ♥** **4♦, 4♥ Transfer**
Forcing Stayman **Smolen**
 2♥ **Transfer to ♠** **Lebensohl** (**fast denies**)
 2♠ -->3C/range ask **Neg. Double**
 2NT -->3D or 5-5 m **Other: Transfer Leb**

2NT 19 (20) to 20 (21)
 Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby **Texas**
 3♠ **MSS; criss-cross**
 minors _____
3NT _____ to _____
Gambling. 1 A or K

Conventional NT Openings

XX->1 min

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong **Intermediate** **Weak**
 NSNF; 2D/1C = Majors

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 Trf/1M-X

OPENING PREEMPTS

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

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
 1st/2nd 2S/1H=6-9
 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** **Splinter**
Other: Mixed in Comp: 3x+1,2,3 utl

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. **Weak**
 After Overcall: Force Inv. **Weak**
 Forcing Raise: **J/S in other minor**
Other: _____

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels
 2C/1C nat; 1x-P-1y-2x nat; 2D/1D=M

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

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

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
 Kickback, Minorwood

/X P=no control, Exclusion, R1 step, P 2nd step, bid 3rd step if EX X

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: 5 of our 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 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
 Attitude vs NT

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude Count Suit preference

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard: vs SUITS vs NT
 Except
 Lavinthal rare
 Upside-Down:
 count
 attitude
FIRST DISCARD
 Lavinthal
 Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo
 Trump Suit Pref.
 Foster Echo

SPECIAL CARDING

PLEASE ASK