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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 15 to 17 to	3♣ Puppet Stayman	2NT 20 to 21 Puppet Stayman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5-card Major common <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3♦ minors GF	Transfer Responses: Jacoby <input type="checkbox"/> Texas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
System on over 2♣, X	3♥ majors invit	3♠ 4-way mSST with Kickback
2♣ Stayman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Puppet <input type="checkbox"/>	3♠ majors GF	3NT ___ to ___ Gambling
2♦ Transfer to ♥ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Garbage Stayman	Conventional NT Openings
Forcing Stayman <input type="checkbox"/>	4♦, 4♥ Transfer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2♥ Transfer to ♠ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Smolen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2♠ transfer to ♣	Lebensohl <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (fast denies)	
2NT transfer to ♦	Neg. Double <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Other: 2-way MSST	

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length	4	5
1st/2nd	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3rd/4th	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splitter
 Other: Modified Jacoby (LR+)

1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing if unp.

2NT: Forcing Inv. ___ to ___

3NT: 5+ fit & T&K & 8+.

Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit

Other: Kokish game tries (on w/imm. splinters, invit jump shift (3 lv

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length	4	3	0-2	Conv.
1♣	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1♦	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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♣ 7+ to 10

2NT Forcing Inv. 11 to 12

3NT: 13 to 15

Other splinters, 2H = 9+ majors & wk

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty ___

Negative thru 4♥

Responsive : thru 4♥ Maximal

Support: Dbl. thru 2♥ Redbl

Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

DSI, Snapdragon if can bid at 2 lvl

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7+ to ___ HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style

Responses

New Suit: Forcing NF Const NF

Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak

FSJ, Cues = LR+ or big 1 suiter

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

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on

Conv. ___

Balancing: 11 to 16

Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest

Conv. ASG

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: strong & wk ___

2♣ ♦ or c! or M/m ___

2♦ majors ___

2♥ ♥ ___

2♠ ♠ ___

Dbl: penalty (Syst. Off)

Other also vs their 1NT overcalls

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 All transfers beg. w/XX, FSJ

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4♥ Penalty

Conv. Takeout: ___

Lebensohl 2NT Response

Other: ___

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

Exclusion 3014!!!!, Kickback

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: 5H 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)
(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

later leads primarily attitude along with remaining count if clear

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude Count Suit preference

DEFENSIVE CARDING

vs SUITS vs NT

Standard:

Except

suit pref if obvious

Upside-Down: count

attitude

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal

Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo

Trump Suit Pref.

Foster Echo

SPECIAL CARDING **PLEASE ASK**

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF
 Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. to 2 level (3 level is inv.)
 4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game Unus vs Unus, Leaping Michaels, Leitner X,
 1345 & 1444 ID, xfers after their X of our 1M, XYZ, Wolff, Modified Spiral,
 xfers after their known 2 suited int. over our 1NT, WQ, Non-serious 3NT,
 Suction vs 1C or 2C (all levels) & Lower NT=rndd & Higher NT=ptd