



SPECIAL DOUBLES

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

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15+ to 18 Systems on
 Conv. sys OFF over balancing NT
 Balancing: 11 to 14 (16)
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2Lowest
 Conv. sandwich NT

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GENERAL APPROACH

2/1 GF UDCA Bergen WJS
 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 15 HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style
Responses
 New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
 Jump Q=mixed raise (CR/4 trump)

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: Weak (15-) Str (16+)
 2♣ ♣/♦/M+m ♣ + M
 2♦ ♥ + ♠ ♦ + M
 2♥ ♥ ♥
 2♠ ♠ ♠
 Dbl: Pen. (sys on) ♣/♦/♥+♠
 Other PH over Wk NT=str NT
 2NT=both minors

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 14+ to 17
 to _____
 5-card Major common
 System on over X, 2♣
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ Transfer to ♥ 4♦, 4♥ Transfer Jump
 Forcing Stayman Smolen
 2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl FAST denies
 2♠ Size ask or ♣ Neg. Double
 2NT ->♦, 3♦=♦+ Other: 4♠=bal minors (4-4/3)

3♣ 5 card Stayman _____
 3♦ 5/5 ♦+♣; GF _____
 3♥ 3-1-5/4 3-0-5-5 _____
 3♠ 1-3-5/4 0-3-5-5 _____

2NT 19+ to 21
 Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
 Jacoby Texas
 3♠ ->3N. 4m=that m
 4M=stiff ♣+♦
 3NT Gamble to _____
 No AK in 1/2 seat

Conventional NT Openings
 RKC Gerber after _____
 Jacoby / Stayman _____

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
 2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak
 Majors
 Minors
 Other BROMAD 2&3-level

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
 3/4-bids
 Conv./Resp. 4♣=Special KC over 2&3

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: Jac, Rev Bergen 3♣=LR 3♦=m
 1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
 2NT: Forcing Inv. by PH to 11-12
 3NT: 13-15 to 2 trump
 Drury Reverse 2-Way Fit
 Other: Brg off/PH&interf, Dr off/interf, Fit JS by PH, BROMAD

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
 Single raise Other: GF by UPH
 Frequently bypass 4+♦ Walsh styl
 1NT/1♣ 8 to 10
 2NT Forcing Inv. 10+ to 12
 3NT: 13 to 15
 Other Criss Cross=LR even by PH

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels
 Natural over strong 1♣, 1♦ (2-)

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4♥ Penalty
 Conv. Takeout: 4NT (2 places)
 Lebensohl 2NT Response
 Other: Leaping Michaels; Leb 2x

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
 5N=2KC+void, 6x=1KC+that void, 6Tr=1KC+higher void, Redwood
 5N=spec Kings. Exclusion RKC. 4♣ Special KC: 0,1, 1+, 2, 2+ (4♦ ovr 3♣
 vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: 6 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
(AK)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

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard:
 Except
 A vs NT asks for unblock
 or count, K for Attitude
 Upside-Down:
 count
 attitude

LENGTH LEADS:

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

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
 Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Shift Echo Rev
 Trump Suit Pref.
 Foster Echo

Vs Suit: K from AK at 5 lvl, or 4lvl if bid & raised

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude Count Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING

PLEASE ASK

DESCRIBE RESPONSES/REBIDS

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2♣ <u>22+</u> to if bal HCP Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> 2♦ Resp: Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Waiting <input type="checkbox"/>	2♥/x/xx=dbl neg. (<2Q) 2NT=positive in ♥
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OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF XYZ

Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. 1♠-3♥/1♥-2♠ (6CM, inv. values)

4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game Western Cue, UvU, Sandwich NT, OBAR

1m-1M, 2M-2NT asks length-strength, 3-3-4-4 (raise often 3trump)

CRASH & Suction Over strong 1♣, 1♦-2♣/2♦ natural, 1♦-2♥=Michaels

Serious 3NT, Last Train, Reverse Flannery