# Defensive and Competitive Bidding

#### Overcalls (Style; Responses; Reopening)

1 level: light. (1x)-1y-(p)-2x = inv+ with y-support

2 level: sound

Cuebids: Good raise with support

Responses 1-level: F1, 2-level: constructive.

## 1 NT overcall (2ND/4TH; Responses; Reopening)

15-18 hcp, 4<sup>th</sup> seat: 12-15 hcp.

1NT = two unbid suits if passed hand and opps have bid 2 suits

### Jump Overcalls

WJS, but not vs  $1 . / \bullet$ , then we use:  $2 \bullet = \text{one M}$  (ca 4-11hcp),

2 = 5 + -5 + M (<12 hcp), 2 = 5 + -5 + M strong (13+ hcp).

2NT = two lowest unbid. Leaping michaels vs weak 2.

#### **Direct Cue Bids**

Over  $1 . / \bullet : 2 . = nat. 2 . = one M (ca 4-11hcp)$ 

Over M = other M + one minor

## VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopen: PH)

VS strong 1NT:

X = strong

2♣ = ♥ and ♠

 $2 \blacklozenge = \bigvee \text{ or } \blacktriangle$ 

 $2 \checkmark / \spadesuit = 4(+)$  card and (normally) longer sidesuit in minor

DONT in 4<sup>th</sup> seat and when passed hand:

X =one (unspecified) suit

2♣ = ♣ and one unspecified suit

2 ♦ = ♦ and one unspecified suit

2**♥** = **♥** and **♠** 

 $2 \blacktriangle$  = natural (worse hand than X and bid  $2 \blacktriangle$ )

VS weak 1NT (<12-14NT):

X = "balanced" opening or good hand (also against 12-14NT)

 $2 \checkmark / \blacktriangle$  = natural, constructive

#### VS. Preempts (Doubles; Cue bids; Jumps; NT bids)

T/O dbl

Leaping Michaels (5+ - 5+, FG)

Cuebid: Ask for stopper or michaels

#### **VS. Artificial Strong Openings**

VS 1♣/2♣: YESLEK

#### Over Opponents' take out double

Rdbl: (9)10+ HCP. 1-over-1= F1. 2-over-1= NF.

2♣ after 1M - (X) = good raise in M.

## Leads and Signals

# **Opening Leads Style**

	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	3rd-5th	3rd-5th	
NT	3rd-5th	3rd-5th	
Subseq	Attitude when opening new suit		

## Leads

Leuds				
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT		
Ace	AKx/AKxx(x)	AKx/AKxx(x)		
King	AK/KQ/KQJ(x)/KQTx	AK/KQ/KQJ(x)/KQT(x)		
Queen	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)		
Jack	HJT(x)/JT(x)/Jx	HJT(x)/JT(x)/Jx		
10	HT9x/T9x/Tx	HT9x/T9x/Tx		
9	9x	98xx/9x		
Х	Hxxx/xxx(x)	Hxxx/xxxx(x)		

## Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding
Suit:	Energ/diserg	(Count)	Encrg/discrg
2 <sup>nd</sup>	(Count)	S/P	(Count)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	S/P		S/P
NT:	Energ/diserg	Smith Peter	Encrg/discrg
2 <sup>nd</sup>	(Count)	(Count)	(Count)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	S/P	S/P	S/P

Signals (including Trump's): Smith Peter vs NT: Low=likes.

Low=odd number or encrg, High=Even number or discrg. Count only when we want to. Signals trump: S/P

#### **Doubles**

# Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light style, also reopenings

## Special, Art and Comp Dbl/Rdbl's

Support dbl/rdbl, responsive dbl, neg dbl, comp dbl, lightner dbl  $1m - (1 \lor) - X = 4 + \spadesuit, 1 \spadesuit = \max 3 \spadesuit$ 



# System Card



Red + Brown sticker



# Category:

NCBO/team: NORWAY

Event:





**Players** 

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# System Summary

#### General Approach and Style

5card M, 4card ♦, transfer responses after 1♣ (2+) opening.

May have longer  $\bullet$  when opening  $1 \clubsuit$ .

**2-over-1**: GF, 2♣ nat GF or may be good raise in M (14)15-17NT. May have 5 card M, 6 card m, singleton, 5-4

## Special bids that may require defence

2 opening: (17)18/19 balanced, denies 5card M

1 - 2 = 6 + 4, (5)6-9 HCP or 5+-5+ Majors 5-9 HCP

1m-2 / 2 = 6 + / 6 + , (5)6-9 HCP or GF

1 . 1 . 1 . 2 . 4 = inv + w/support, 1 . 2NT = 5 + support, ca 2-8 hcp

1 ... / 1 ... - 3 ... = 4 + support, ca 9-11 hcp

1 ◆ -2 ♣ = nat GF or 5 + -5 + M (5 - 9 hcp)

(1m) - 2♦ = one M (weak) Brown sticker

 $(1m) - 2 \checkmark / \spadesuit = both majors weak (<12 hcp)/strong (13+ hcp)$ 

## Special forcing pass sequences

Standard negative doubles. Classical forcing pass when GF, in unclear or competitive positions x = extra, pass = pass

## Important notes that don't fit

X-Y-7. X-Y-NT.

## **Psychics**

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Opening	Art	Min. #	Neg. D.	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1*			4♥	Could open light if distributional, (11)12+ hcp with balanced hands	Transfer responses at one level.  1	1♣ $-1  ightharpoonup - 1  ightharpoonup = 4  ightharpoonup 1  ightharpoonup - 2  ightharpoonup = 4  ightharpoonup (14) 15 + hcp XYZ XYNT$	
1♦				As above	2♣ nat GF or 5+-5+M (5-9 hcp)  2♠/♥ = 6+ ♥/♠ ((5)6-9 hcp or 13+)  2♠ = inv+ with 4+ support, 3♣ = 9-11hcp, 4+ support  3♠ = 4+ support (ca 2-8hcp), 3♥/3♠/4♣ = natural (7+) <7hcp	1 → -1 v - 2NT = 4 v (14) 15+ hcp XYZ XYNT	1 ◆ - 2 ♣ =  diamond support 6-9hcp or $5+-5+M$ (5-9 hcp)
1♥		5	4•	As above	1NT = F1, 2♣ = nat GF or (9)10-12hcp with heart support, 2NT = 4+♥ FG, 2♠ = minisplinter one minor, 3♣= limit, 3♦= short ♠, 3♥ = "preempt" (<9hcp), 3♠/4x = void	After 2NT: $3 = \min$ , $3 = \min$ , $3 = \min$ = one singl/void, $3 = 5422$ , $3 = 6322$ , $3NT = 18/19$ , $4 = \min 5332$ .	1 v - 2 ♣ 3card support, inv+ 1 v - 2 ◆ 4card support, inv+ 1 v - 2NT balanced inv
1 🖍		5	4♥	As above	1NT = F1, $2 = $ nat GF or (9)10-12hcp with spade support, 2NT = $4 + $ FG, $3 = $ minisplinter one minor, $3 = $ limit, 3 = minisplinter, $3 = $ "preempt" (<9hcp), $4x = $ void	After 2NT: $3 = \min$ , $3 = \min$ , $3 = 0$ one singl/void, $3 = 0$ 5422, $3 = 0$ 6322, 3NT = 18/19, $4 = 0$ min 5332.	1 ♣ - 2 ♣ 3card support, inv+ 1 ♣ - 2 ♦ 4card support, inv+ 1 ♣ - 2NT balanced inv
1 NT			4♥	(14)15-17hcp (5M/6m/5-4/x)	2♣ = hybrid stayman (inv+), 2♦/♥ = transfer, 2♠ = diff minor hands, 2NT = 4-4M inv, 3♣ = ♦ or 5-5M, 3♦ = 5+/4+M, 3♥/♠ = singleton, 4♣ = ♥, 4♦ = ♠	3♣ = "puppet stayman" after 2♦ answer.	
2*	X			Strong. 20+ hcp or weaker with playing tricks.	2 ← = waiting bid. Other bid is nat, positive hand. 2NT = 5+-5+ m.	Second negative. $2 \div -2 \cdot -3M = 4$ card and longer $\cdot$ $2 \div -2 \cdot -4M/5m = 9/10$ playing tricks	
2♦	X			(17)18/19 balanced, denies 5card M	2		
2♥		(5)6		(5)6-10hcp	2NT ask for strength and suit quality. 4* ask for keycards. New suit is forcing one round (except 2*).		
2♠		(5)6		(5)6-10hcp	2NT ask for strength and suit quality. 4. ask for keycards. New suit is forcing one round.		
2 NT				20-21hcp	Muppet stayman, transfers.  4♣ = ♥ slam int, 4♦ = ♠ slam int  4♥ = ♣ slam int, 4♠ = ♦ slam int	Slam Conventions	
3x		6		Preemptive (ca 2-10 hcp)	4♣ after 3♦/♥/♠ and 4♦ after 3♣ opening = ask for keycards	RKCB (1430), 0314 when clubs. Exclusion RKCB (0314), DOPI/ROPI. 5 NT in unclear situation: pick a slam.	
3NT				1st/2nd seat: running m	$4 \frac{1}{4} / 5 \frac{1}{4} = p/c$ , $4 \frac{1}{4} = ask$ for short suit $4NT = ask$ for length	Splinters	
4♣,♦				Running ♥/♠	4NT = ask for length	Cuebids	
4 <b>∀, ≜</b> 4NT	X	6		Natural. To play Ask for specific aces	$5 = \text{none}, 5 \neq / \checkmark / \$ = \text{that specific ace}, 5\text{NT} = \text{ace of clubs},$ $6 = \text{red or black}, 6 \neq = \text{minor or major}, 6 \neq = \text{c+h or d+s}$	After BW answer: The suit over ask for trump Q After BW answer: 6x ask for 3rd round control	