Defensive and Competitive Bidding [Note 6]

OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level)

Aggressive

Cue bid = Good 3-card raise or FG Direct jump-raises are pre-emptive.

1 over 1 & 3 over 2 (free bid) = F1

1NT OVERCALL (2nd /4th Live; Responses)

15-18 HCP: System on

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses)

1**♣**-2**♦**= Majors.

2**♥**/2♠= Weak

1M - 2NT = Two lowest unbid suits

3x/4m = Preemptive when NV vs. V

3x = Constructive in other VUL.

DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style: Responses)

1.4-2.4=Natural

1 ♦ - 2 ♦ = Both majors

1M-2M=Other major + C

Jump cue-bid=Asks for stopper.

VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; PH)

Dbl= Strength (Passed: One minor or both majors)

2. Both majors (Passed: Clubs and another suit)

2 ◆ = 5+H or 5+S (Passed: Diamond and a major)

2♥/2♠ = 5+M, stronger than 2♦

2NT= Minor or strong 2-suiter

VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)

T/O doubles: 2NT: 15-18 HCP

Cue-bid; Asks for stopper at 3-level; 2-suiter at 4-level

4NT= 2-suiter

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

vs. 1♣: 1♦-2♠= Suit above or the two next suits

Dbl = D or H+S

1NT/2NT = C+H or D+S

vs. 2♣: Dbl = M+m: 2NT = M or m

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

Transfer bids after 1 ♦, 1 ♥ and 1 ♠ openings.

1M - DbI - 2NT = 10 + HCP support.

1M - DbI - 3NT = FG with support.

Leads and Signals

Opening Leads Style

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	Lead	In Partner's Suit			
Suit	Usually 3 rd -5 th	3 rd -5 th			
NT	Usually 3 rd -5 th	3 rd -5 th			
Subseq.	Attitude when opening a new suit. 2 nd or 4 th through declarer				
Other	Against 5-level contracts or higher:				

Ace: asks enc. /disc. King: asks for count Leads

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	Ax(x), AKx(x), AKJTx	Ax(x), $AKx(x)$, $AKJx(x)$	
King	AK, KQx(x), KQT9(x)	KQx(x), KQT(x), AKJTx	
Queen	QJ, QJT,	AQJ, QJ(x), KQT9, KQJx	
Jack	HJT(x), JT(x)	HJT(x), JT(x)	
Т	HT9x, T9x	HT9x, AQT(x), T9x	
9	9x, 98x(x), H98x	9x, 98x(x), H98x	
Х	Hxxxx, xxxxx	Hxxxx, xxxxx	

Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding	
Suit: 1st	Low encour.	Standard count	Odd-Even	
2 nd	Suit pref.		Standard count	
3 rd	Standard count			
NT 1st	Low encour.	Smith/count	Odd-Even	
2 nd	Standard count	Standard count	Standard count	
3 rd				

Lowest from xx on partners Ace lead in suit contracts.

Smith (NT): Low-High: Lead is OK.

Suit preference in trump.

Odd-Even: 1st discard: odd card enc.; even card:SP; 6 or 7

neutral

Doubles

Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light or normal T/O doubles → Cue-bid = Forcing

Special, Artificial and Competitive Dbl/Rdbl's

Responsive thru 4. Competitive thru 4. Support Doubles / Rdbl's to show 3-card fit All doubles below 2NT usually for take-out Lightner doubles







Category

BLUE - Relay Precision

CARD

NCBO/team: Norway

Event:





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System Summary

General Approach and Style

- Strong 1♣ and 5-card major opening bids
- Relays possible after openings 1♣/1♦/1♥/1♠/1NT/2♣
- 1NT = 14-16 HCP, may have 5M or 6m
- All opening bids could be made on less HCP with compensating values

Special opening bids that may require defense

1♥/1♠/2♣ = NV. vs. V: 9-15 HCP.

2 ♦: NV: 2-9 HCP and at least 4-5/5-4 i the majors

2 √ /2 ♠: NV: 2-9 HCP and 5M + 4+m

2NT = 5-5 minors, 5-15 HCP depending on vuln.

Special bids that may require defense

1 - 1 • = 5+S 8+HCP or balanced 14+HCP

1♣-1♠ = 5+H 8+HCP: 1♣-2♣ = 5+D 8+HCP

1♣-2♦ = 5+C 8+HCP

1 - 1 = 4+S 6+HCP or FG relay

1 **♦** -1 **♦** = 4+H 6+HCP

1M-1NT = FG relay

1M-2♣ = Any invitational

2.4-2. = Artificial F1

Important notes that don't fit

Transfer bids after opponents interfere against 1♣/1♦/1NT

Psychics

Openings: Rare;

Other: Rare

Opening	Artificial	Min. cards	Neg dbl thru	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding		
1.4. [Note 1]	Х	0	7♠		1 ◆=0-8HCP; 1 ▼=8+HCP 5+S or 14+HCP bal.; 1 ★=8+HCP 5+H; 1NT=9-13 HCP bal.; 2 ★=8+HCP 5+D; 2 ◆=8+HCP 5+C; 2 ▼=8+HCP 45/54 minors; 2 ★=8-11HCP 4441 any single; 2NT=12+HCP 4441 any single, 3 ★=Solid 6-card suit, 3 ◆=Solid 7-card suit	Relays after positive answers 1♣ - 1♦ → 1♥=20+HCP Transfer bids after opponent's interference.			
1 ♦ [Note 2]	Х	1	4♥	11-15 HCP	1♥= 4+S 6+HCP or FG Relay; 1♠= 4H 6+HCP; 2♣= 4+C 10+HCP; 2♦=4+D 10+HCP, 2♥/2♠= Weak two bid; 3♣= 7-10HCP, 5+C 5+D;	May continue with relays after 1 ◆ -1 ▼ Transfer bids after opponent's interference.	1 ▼ =Natural		
1 v [Note 3]		5 (4)	4♦	,	1NT=FG Relay; 2♣=Any invitational; 2♠=Invitational with 2H; 2♠=6+S 5-9 HCP; 2NT=4-card support, any single, 6-9/10-12 HCP; 3♣=7(6)C 6-9 HCP; 3♠=4H, 7-9 HCP, no singleton; 3♥=Pre-emptive.	May continue with relays after 1 v-1NT 1 v - 2 x → 2 v = Waiting bid	2♣ = Invitational w/3C support 2♠ = Invitational w/2C support 3x = Minisplinter		
1 ♠ [Note 3]		5 (4)	4.	9-15 HCP NV vs. V 11-15 HCP 5+cards (may have 4 in 3rd seat)	1NT= FG Relay; 2♣= Any invitational; 2♦=Invitational with 2S; 2♥=NF; 2NT= 4-card support, any single, 6-9/10-12 HCP; 3♣= 7(6)C 6-9 HCP; 3♦=4S, 7-9 HCP, no singleton; 3♣= Pre-emptive.	May continue with relays after 1 ♣ - 1NT 1 ♣ - 2 ♣ → 2 ◆ = Waiting bid	2♣ = Invitational w/3C support 2♠ = Invitational w/2C support 3x = Minisplinter		
1NT [Note 4]		-	4•	Can have 5M or 6m	2♣=Stayman; 2♦/2♥=Transfers; 2♠=6+C or single minor; 2NT= 6+D or strong with both minors; 3♣= Single major; 3♦=Asks for 5-card major; 4♣/4♦=Transfer H/S;	May continue with relays after 1NT-2. Transfer bids after opponent's interference.			
2 . [Note 5]		6 (5)	4•	9-15 HCP NV vs. V 11-15 HCP other vuln.	2 ◆=F1; 2 ▼/2 ♠=NF, 5+Cards.	May continue with relays after 2♣-2♦			
2•	Х	0		NV: At least 4-5/5-4 in the majors 2-9 HCP	2NT= Artificial F1. 3♣ = Invitational in one major.				
2•		5		Vul:Weak two	2NT= Artificial F1 (Ogust).				
2♥/2♠		5		NV : 2-9 HCP and 5M + 4+m	2NT= Artificial F1, asks for side suit and strength.				
2♥/2♠		5		Vul:Weak two	2NT=Single? 3♣=Asks suit quality and strength; 3♥/3♠=Preemptive.				
2NT	Х	-		5-15 HCP, 5-5 minors	3♥=Relay;	Slam Conventions			
3♣/3♦		6		Pre-emptive	Opposite minor =Slam try.	Relays and asking bids.	Relays and asking bids.		
3♥, 3♠		6		Pre-emptive	4♣ = Slam try.	 4 ◆ = Stop signal in relay sequences. Cue bids: 1st and 2nd round controls up the line. Cue bids after relay sequences show at least a minimum number of controls. 3NT after relay sequences show a low number of controls. 3NT=Key Card Blackwood in some positions when major suit is agreed as trump. Last train. CRO. Splinter. Roman Key Card Blackwood (0-3, 1-4). DOPE after interference above 5 in the trump suit after 4NT = RKCB 			
3NT	Χ	-		Solid major	4♣ = Slam try, asks for singleton.				
4.	Χ	7		Strong 4H opening ~9 tricks	4♦ = Slam try.				
4♦	Χ	7		Strong 4S opening ~9 tricks	4♥ = Slam try.				
4♥, 4♠		6		To play	4♣=To play; 4NT=KCB				
4NT	Х			Asks for specific aces	5♣=0 Aces, 5♦/5♥/5♣/5NT=Ace ♣/♦/♥/♠, 6♣/6♦/6♥=2 Aces	Exclusion BW 5NT			