## Defensive and Competitive Bidding

Overcalls (Style; Responses; Reopening)

## 1-level: Light

2-level: Sound
Responses: 1- and 3-level F1, 2-level constructive, jumps are Splinter, Cue-bid is a Good raise in overcaller's suit. 2 NT is often Lebensohl from responders hand in comp situations.

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

## 15-18 HCP any sea

Same responses as after opening 1NT

Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
1-Suit: Light jump overcalls.
2-Suit: 2NT = 2 lowest suits (5+-5+) weak/strong
Reopen: 11-15 HCP, 6+ card suit
Direct and Jump Cue Bids (Style; Responses)
Over m: Both Majors (5+-5+)
Over M: Other Major + m (5+-5+)

Jump cue-bid: Asks for stopper
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopen: PH)
$2 \div=$ OR both Majors
$2 *=$ OR $\uparrow+m$
$2 \vee=\vee$ and a minor
$2 \boldsymbol{n}=\boldsymbol{\wedge}$
2NT = Both minors or long suited minor, OR GF
VS. Preempts (Doubles; Cue bids; Jumps; NT bids)

## Take out DBL

Cue-bid: Ask for stopper (or GF)
Jump in m: That minor + other Major (5+-5+)
Over 3M: 4m shows minor + other Major (5+-5+)
VS. Artificial Strong Openings
vs. strong 1\&: $D B L=M, 1 N T=m$

## Over Opponents' take out double

## Rdbl: 9+ HCP

1 over 1: F

| Leads and Signals |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Opening Leads Style |  |  |  |
|  | Lead |  | In Partner's Suit |
| Suit | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ |  | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ |
| NT | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ |  | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ |
| Subseq | Attitude |  |  |
| Leads |  |  |  |
| Lead | Vs. Suit |  | Vs. NT |
| Ace | AKx (x) |  | AK(x) |
| King | AK, KQ(x) |  | KQ(x), AKQ(x), AKJ10(x) |
| Queen | QJ(x), KDJx |  | QJ(x), HQJx(x), KQ109(x) |
| Jack | J10(x), HJ10(x) |  | J10(x), HJ10(x) |
| 10 | 109(x), H109(x) |  | 109(x), H109(x) |
| 9 | J98(x), 9x |  | J98(x), 9x, 98(x) |
| X | Even number |  | xx, xxx, xxxx(x) |
| Signals in order of priority |  |  |  |
|  | Partners lead | Declarer | Discarding |
| Suit: | Encrg/Discrg | Count | Encrg/Discrg |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ | Count | S/P | Count |
| $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ | S/P |  | S/P |
| NT: | Encrg/Discrg | Smith | Encrg/Discrg |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ | Count | Count | Count |
| $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ | S/P | S/P | S/P |

Signals (including Trump's):
Hi-Low = Discrg/Even, Low-Hi = Encrg/Odd, Smith (NT): High likes the lead. S/P in trumphs. INV-small card

## Doubles

## Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses;

## Reopening)

Light style, also reopenings

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

Neg -, Responsive -, Support DBL through $2 \vee$, Comp DBL $1 *-(1 *)-$ DBL shows $4+\vee, 1 m-(1 \vee)-D B L$ shows $4+\star$, $1 \mathrm{~m}-(1 \mathrm{n})$-DBL strongly suggests at least $4 \vee$


|  | 辰 | \＃ |  | Description | Responses | Subsequent Auction | Passed Hand Bidding |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1＊＊ |  | 3 | 4＾ | 9－22 HCP，3＋＊＊ （all 4－3－3－3 hands） | ```1*=4+\varphi, 1 = = 4+^, 1^= 6-9 HCPNT OR GF OR to play *, 1NT=10-12 hcp NF INVERTED m, 2*=6-9 w/4+&, 2M=6c 8-11HCP, 2NT= 11-13 hcp, 3* = PRE``` | $1 *-2 \boldsymbol{*}, 2 \star=$ NAT GF／18－19NT，2M＝GF，2NT＝ 12－14 BAL NF，3＊＝9－12 NF， $3 \bullet \vee \wedge=$ Splinter $1 *-2 *, 2 x / 2 N T / 3 *-3 *=N A T$ GF，3M＝single | Jump in Major＝singel |
| 1 ＊ |  | 4 | 4＾ | 9－22 HCP，4＋＊ | INVERTED m，1M＝NAT F1，1NT＝6－12 HCP NF，2M＝6c 8－11， <br>  | As above． | Jump in Major＝singel |
| $1 \vee$ |  | 4 | 4＊ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { 9-22 HCP, } 4+\downarrow \\ & (\text { Only } 4 \bullet \text { when } 4 \oplus \text { ) } \end{aligned}$ | $1 N T=6-12$ HCP NF， $2 m=$ GF except rebid， $2 v=5-10 \mathrm{HCP}$ ， $2 \wedge=6 \mathrm{c} 8-11,3 \mathrm{~m}=$ Single INV， $2 \mathrm{NT}=4+\vee \mathrm{GF}, 3 \vee=4+\vee 8$ loosers， $4 \mathrm{~m}=$ void | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 1 v-2 N T, 3 x=3+\text { NAT, not MIN } \\ 1 v-2 N T, 3 x-3 v=\text { ask for singleton } \\ 1 v-2 N T, 3 x-3 N T=\text { ask for cue } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \vee-2 ゅ / \downarrow=3 / 4 \mathrm{c} \text { raise } \\ & 1 \vee-2 N T=\text { NAT, INV (usually } \\ & \max 2 \vee) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 1＾A |  | 5 | 4＾ | 9－22 HCP，5＋＾ | As over $1 \vee, 1 \mathrm{n}-4 \vee=$ void， | As above | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 1 \boldsymbol{A}-2 \boldsymbol{\sim} /=3 / 4 \mathrm{c} \text { raise } \\ 1 \mathrm{~A}-2 N T=N A T, \text { INV } \\ \text { (usually } \max 2 \boldsymbol{n} \text { ) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| 1 NT |  |  | 4＾ | （14）15－17 HCP <br> May have 5 c M， 6 c m，and singel | $2 *=$ STAY， $2 \star / 2 \boldsymbol{v}=$ TRF， $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ mSTAY， $2 N T=$ Bad doubleton GF， $3 \mathrm{~m}=6 \mathrm{c}$ INV， $3 \mathrm{M}=$ Singleton GF， $4 \star / 4 \star=$ TRF， $4 \vee / 4 \wedge=$ transfer |  |  |
| 2\％ | X |  |  | Strong，HCP OR tricks | $2 \star=0-7$ HCP，2M＝GF $4+$ HCP $2 N T=$ both $\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{GF} 6+\mathrm{HCP}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 2 *-2 *, 2 M=F 1,3 m=F 1 \\ & 2 *-2 *, 2 M-3 *=2^{\text {nd }} \text { negative } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2 ＊ | X |  |  | 3－7 HCP 5／6c M | $2 \vee / 2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=\mathrm{p} / \mathrm{c}$ to $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge} / 3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=$ Ask for suit and min／max， $3: / 3 M=$ To play， $3 *=A R T F 1,4 M=p / c$ | $2 \star-2 N T, 3 *=$ MAX w／$\downarrow, 3 \star=$ MAX w／$\star, 3 \vee / \star=\operatorname{MIN}$ nat， $2 *$－（DBL）－2M＝NAT，RDBL＝bid your suit，$p=*$ |  |
| $2 \vee$ |  | 6 |  | 6c • ，8－11 HCP | $2 \wedge=F 1,2 N T=$ ask for singleton， $3 \star / 3 \star=\mathrm{F} 1$ | $2 \vee-2 N T, 3 * / \star / \wedge=$ singleton， $3 v=$ MIN－， <br> 3NT＝MAX no singleton， $4 \div 4 \star=$ Void |  |
| 2＾ |  | 6 |  | 6c a ，8－11 HCP | As over 2v | $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}-2 \mathrm{NT}, 3 \boldsymbol{*} / \star / \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ singleton， $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=\mathrm{MIN}-$ ， $3 N T=$ MAX no singleton， $4 \% / \leftarrow / \vee=$ Void |  |
| 2 NT |  |  | 4＾ | 20－21 HCP | $3 \star=$ PuppetSTAY， $3 \star / 3 \vee=$ TRF， $3 \wedge=$ both $m$ or slaminv in1， <br>  |  |  |
| 3 x |  | 6 |  | PRE，ACC to VUL | New suit F1 |  |  |
| 3NT | X |  |  | Solid minor gambling | 4ヵ＝p／c，4＊＝Ask for control，4M＝To play | High Level Bidding |  |
| 4＊ |  | 6 |  | PRE，ACC to VUL | $4 \diamond=$ ART F1，4M＝To play，4NT asks for aces | Roman Keycard Blackwwod |  |
| 4＊ |  | 6 |  | PRE，ACC to VUL | 4M＝To play，4NT asks for aces | Exclusion RKCB |  |
| $4 \vee,$ |  | 6 |  | PRE，ACC to VUL | $4 \AA=$ To play，4NT asks for aces | DOPI／ROPI |  |
| 4NT | X |  |  | Asks for specific aces | 5＊＝0 Ace， $5 \mathrm{NT}=2 \mathrm{Aces}, 5 \uparrow / 5 \vee / 5 \uparrow / 6 *=$ that Ace | Splinter bids |  |
| 2 |  | 6 |  | 4th seat：11－13 HCP，6＋＊ | 2NT＝INV | Cue－bids（Italian style） |  |
| 2M |  | 6 |  | 4th seat：11－13 HCP，6＋M | 2NT＝Ask for singleton | Lightner DBL |  |

