## **Defensive and Competitive Bidding**

#### Overcalls (Style: Responses: Reopening)

1-level: Light 2-level: Sound

Responses: 1- and 2-level F1 if next hand pass, 2-level constructive if next hand bids, jumps are fit jump, jump in opener's suit is Splinter, double jumps are Splinter, Cue-bid is a

Good raise in overcaller's suit.

2NT is frequently "Good/Bad" from opener.

After 1M overcall, 2NT in competition is 4c raise INV+

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

15-18 hcp 2<sup>nd</sup> seat and 4<sup>th</sup> seat over 1M. 11-14 hcp 4<sup>th</sup> seat over 1m. Same responses as after opening 1NT.

#### Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suit: Light jump overcalls, but NOT bad red vs. green

2-Suit: 2NT = 2 lowest suits (5+-5+) weak/strong

Reopen: 11-13 HCP, 6+ card suit

(1M)-p(2M)-2NT=15-18 red vs green, other VUL minors

#### Direct and Jump Cue Bids (Style: Responses)

Over m: Both Majors (5+-5+)

**Over M**: Other Major + ♣ (5+-5+)

**Jump cue-bid**: Asks for stopper over 1M. ♠+om (55+) over 1m.

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

2♣ = Both Majors

2 ♦ = ♥ OR ♠

2♥ = ♥ and a minor (usually longer)

2♠ = ♠ and a minor (usually longer)

2NT = Both minors OR GF with any 2-suiter

4<sup>th</sup> seat and after initial pass: DONT

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

Take out DBL

Cue-bid: Ask for stopper

**Jump in m**: That minor + other Major (5+-5+)

Over 3M: That minor + other Major (5+-5+)

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

vs. strong 1♠: DBL = ♥, 1♦ = ♠, 1♥ = 2-4♥ and 5+m, 1♠ = 2-4♠ and 5+m. 1NT = m. 2♣ = M

vs. strong 2♠: DBL = M+m (5+-5+), 2NT = Both m (5+-5+), 3 = Both M (5+-5+)

#### Over Opponents' take out double

Rdbl: 9+ HCP, Of 1m: Fit-jump in M, jump in the other minor is 9+ with proper fit for opener, Of 1M: Transfers from 1NT, Mini-Splinter. Of 2M: Transfers from 2NT.

## **Leads and Signals**

#### **Opening Leads Style**

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>
NT	ATT (possible 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> )	3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>
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)	QJ(x), HQJx(x), KQ109(x)				
Jack	J10(x), KJ10(x)	J10(x), HJ10(x)				
10	109(x), H109(x)	109(x), H109(x)				
9	9x	9x, A98(x), J98(x)				
Hi-x	Even number	xx, xxx, xxxx(x)				

#### Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead Declarer		Discarding	
Suit:	Encrg/Discrg	Count	Encrg/Discrg	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Count		S/P	Count	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	S/P		S/P	
NT:	Encrg/Discrg	Smith	Encrg/Discrg	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count	Count	Count	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	S/P	S/P	S/P	

### Signals (including Trump's):

Hi-Low = Discra/Even number. Low-Hi = Encra/Odd number Smith (NT): Hi-Low likes the lead from both. S/P in trumps (could be STD count when ruffing).

#### **Doubles**

### Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light style, also reopenings

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

Neg, Responsive, Support DBL to 2♥, Competitive DBL 1 ♣ - (1 ♦) - DBL shows 4+♥, 1m - (1♥) - DBL shows 4+♠, 1m- (1♠) - DBL strongly suggests at least 4♥



## **System** Card



**EBL** 

# Category:

NCBO/team: Norway Open

Event:

**Players** 

EC Teams 2010 Ostende, Belgium



Green

Odin

**Brogeland** Svendsen

# **System Summary**

# General Approach and Style

Natural, 5c M. Transfer responses to 1. Light openings, extremely light 3<sup>rd</sup> hand openings Light preempts green vs. red

**1NT Openings**: (14)15-17 HCP (5M/6m/single/5422) 2-over-1 Responses: GF except rebid in the minors

## Special bids that may require defence

2. 2-7 HCP 6c M (may be 5 green vs red) OR 24+NT

2♥: Good weak 2. 8-11 HCP. 6 card ♥ 2 ★: Good weak 2, 8-11 HCP, 6 card ★

(1m) 3m = + om (55+)

## Special forcing pass sequences

## Important notes that don't fit

After opponents overcall

1♣ - (1♦) - 1♥= 4+♠

1 ♣ - (1 ♦) - 1 ♠= denies 4 ♥ and 4 ♠

1m - (1♥) - 1 = denies 4

1m - (1♥) - (2♥)= 6+♠, INV+, but inverted m if passed originally.

1m - (1♥) - (2♠)=Inverted m, but fit-jump if passed originally Switch bids (bids opposite suit when there are two suits

available at the 2-level).

xy-NT/xyz: 2♣=sign off in • OR INV, 2•=GF Passed hand: 2 ♦ shows a better INV than 2 ♣ Nilslands slinkningar when 1NT opening is doubled.

## **Psychics**

Can occur

Opening	Art	Min.#	Neg. D. thru	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1*		2	4.	11+ HCP, 2+♣ May have 2 cards ♣ and 4 cards ◆	1 → =4+ ▼, 1 ▼ =4+ ♠, 1♠= <b>No</b> M/ <b>not</b> 10+ hcp w/5+ ♣ INVERTED m [Note 1], 2 → =6-9 w/6(5)-card ♣, 2M=Good 6c GF, 1NT= 11-12, 2NT=13-15 OR 19-20 w/3-3-(3-4), 3♣ = PRE <b>NOT</b> INV vs 18-19NT, 3x=void w/5+ ♣,3NT=16-18, 3- 3-(3-4)	Accepts TRF if 3c and not 18-19NT [Note 2]. Jumps w/4-card & extra(14+/shape), Reverse [Note 5],1*-2*, 2*=GF var. hands, 2M=Nat, GF, 2NT=11-12, 2-3*, 3*=11-12, 4+*, no shortage, 3**=Shortage, 3NT=13-14, 2-3*, 1*-2*, 2NT=singleton ask; 3*=min w/o, 3x=single, 3NT=max w/o	TRF at the 1-level 1♣-2♣= 6-9, 5+♣ 1♣-2♦= 9+, 5+♣
1 ♦		4	4♠	11+ HCP, 4+ ◆ Normally good suit if 3-3-4-3	INVERTED m [Note 1], 2M= Good 6c GF, 2NT=11-12, 3♣ = 4+♠, □6-9 HCP, 3♠= PRE <b>NOT</b> INV vs 18-19NT, 3x=void, 3NT=13-15 w/3-3-3-4		1 <b> </b>
1♥		5	4 🖍	10-22 HCP, 5+♥	1NT=6-12 HCP NF, 2♣=GF except rebid, 2♦= GF except rebid, 2♥=NAT, 2♠= Shortage in a m, INV, 2NT=4+♥ GF, 3♣=SUPP normally BAL, INV, 3♦= Shortage in ♠, INV, 3♥=PRE, 3♠/4m=void, 3NT=13-15 w/3-3-(3-4)	1 v-2NT, 3x=NAT, not MIN 1 v-2NT, 3x-3 v= asks for singleton 1 v-2NT, 3x-3NT= asks for cue Good raises[Note 3]1M-1NT-2NT:FG [Note 4]	
1♠		5	4 🖍	10-22 HCP, 5+♠	2m=GF except rebid 2♥= GF, 2♠=NAT, 2NT=4+♠ GF, 3♣= Shortage in a m, 3♦=4c SUPP normally BAL, INV, 3♥=Shortage in ♥, INV, 3♠=PRE, 3NT=13-15 w/3-3-(3-4), 1♠-4m/♥=void	Similar as for 1 ♥	1  -2  = 3-card raise 1  -2
1 NT			4♠	(14)15-17 HCP (Good 14 to 17) May have 5c M, 6c m, (5-4-2-2) and singleton [Note 6]	2♣=STAY, 2♦/2♥=TRF, 2♠=mSTAY, 2NT= Bad doubleton somewhere, 3x= Singleton GF, 4♣/4♦=TRF, 4♥/4♠=To play	1NT-2♣, 2♦-2♥=pick a M; correct to ♠ w/ equal length. 2x-3♣=Asking bid	
2*	٧			Strong, HCP (22+) OR tricks (8,5+)	2◆=Weak OR waiting w/2-suiter, 2M=GF 6+, 2NT=6+ w/5-5 minors, 3m=GF 6+, 3M=Shortage 6+, 3NT=Solid suit	2♣-2♠, 2M=F1, 3m=GF, 3♥ = 4♥ + 5♠+, 3♠ = 4♠ + 5+♠, 2M-3♣= 2 <sup>nd</sup> negative, can stop in 3M.	
2♦	٧			2-7 HCP 6c M OR 24+NT (may be 5c green vs red) [Note 7]	2 V/2 ← Pass or 2 A/3 V, 2NT= Ask, 3 A/3 ← = To play, 3 V=Pass or 3 A, 3 A=Slam try A, 4 A=Ask for TRF, 4 ← = Slam try →, 4M=To play	2 ◆ -2NT, 3♣=any MAX, 3 ◆ = MIN ▼, 3 ▼ = MIN ♠, 2 ◆ -2NT, 3♣-3 ◆, 3 ▼ = ♠, 3 ♠=6 ▼	
2♥		6		Good weak 2, 6c ♥, 8-11 HCP [Note 8]	2♣=F1, 2NT=Ask for shortage/strength, 3m=GF, 3♥=Preempt (can be raised), 3♣/4♣/4♦=Splinter, 4NT=BW	2 ▼-2NT, 3♣=6-4 hand w/any side suit, 3 ◆= Shortage in a m, 3♠ = Shortage, 3 ▼=MIN, 3NT=MAX no shortage, 2 ▼-2NT-4♣,4 ◆=Void	
2♠		6		Good weak 2, 6c ♠, 8-11 HCP [Note 8]	2NT=Ask for shortage/strength, 3x=NAT GF, 3♠=Preempt (can be raised), 4♣/4♦=Splinter, 4NT=BW	2♣-2NT, 3♣=6-4 hand w/any side suit, 3♦= Shortage m, 3♥ = Shortage, 3♠=MIN, 3NT= MAX no shortage, 2♠-2NT- 4♣,4♦,4♥=Void	
2 NT			4 🖍	20-21 HCP	3♣ = PuppetSTAY, 3 ♦ /3♥ = TRF, 3♠ = 44+m 2NT-4♣/4 ♦ /4♥/4♠=Slam try with ♥/♠/♣/♦	2NT-3♣, 3♦=At least one 4c M, 3♥=Denies 4/5c M, 3♣=5c♣, 3NT=5c♥	
3x		6		PRE, ACC to VUL	3♣-3♦ asks for 3♥, 3m-3M=GF, after DBL competitive, 3M-4m = Control, 4M=t/p		
3NT	٧			Solid minor, gambling	4♣=p/c, 4♦=Ask for control	High Level Bidding	
4*	٧			8-9 tricks with good ♥ (max one looser)	4 ◆=Slam try with ▼	1430 Blackwood (over ◆/▼/♠) and RKCB (over ♣)	
4 •	V			8-9 tricks with good ♠ (max one looser)	4♥=Slam try with ♠	Exclusion RKCB, DOPI/ROPI/DEPO	
4♥4♠		6		PRE, ACC to VUL	4♠=To play 5m=Cuebid	5NT is frequently pick a slam	
4NT	٧			Asks for specific aces	5♣=0 Ace, 5NT=2Aces, 5 • /5 • /5 • /6♣= that Ace	Splinter bids	
2♦		6		4th seat: 11-13 HCP, 6+◆	2NT=INV (responds shortage if going past 2NT)	Cuebids (Italian style), a lot of last train cuebids	
2M		6		4th seat: 11-13 HCP, 6+M	2NT=Ask for shortage/strength	Lightner DBL	