DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)

8-17HCP 1 level, min AKxxx with shortage

Transfer advances from opponents cue bid showing EITHER 0+ and 6+ cards or 9+ and 5+ cards. Transfer into partner's suit is 3card support, 10+HCP. 2NT of a major is 4+card, 10+HCP with inverted Swedish responses

Otherwise, 2/1 is F1. 1/1 is F1 by Unpassed hand (UPH), 2/2 is F1 by UPH.

By PH, cued raises by suits that were available to overcall at the one level:

 $(1\clubsuit)$ p (p) 1♥ (p) 2♦ would be a cued raise showing 10+hcp and 4+♥. Swedish for one round only.

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

(15)16-18, stop in opponent's suit; responses as per opening 1NT

Protective=11-14, respond as per opening 1NT

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Sufficient suit, response as per opening a weak 2 in the suit,

2NT unusual (2 lowest suits) direct, Remaining suits cue raises for linked suit 2NT 19-21 protective, 2NT system on for responses.

Reopen: Distributional

DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)

Michaels (at least 5/5, 8+HCP) 1m-2m=both majors, 1M-2M shows OM +m. 1x - 3x stopper ask

1 ♣/♦/♥-4♣/♦/♥ A hand too good to bid 4M, responses are Pass or Correct.

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

X = penalty (16+HCP) when weak (13-15) or 3rd when opps are NV. If they run, one take/out double, then penalties

X vs (14-16+) NT not in 3rd NV= long minor 7+HCP

2♣ Majors (5+/4+), then 2♦ = equal preference, 2NT = asking bid

 $2 = 6 + \sqrt[4]{4}$, then all major suit bids are p/c, 2NT = asking bid

2M = 5M and 4+m, then 2NT = enquiry, $3 \triangleq p/c$, $3 \triangleq \text{good raise}$

2NT = 5+♦5+**♣**

After 1x (1NT) 2♣ shows both majors, if x=M, then 2M. X is penalty.

VS.PRE-EMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)

X = take/out, then Lebensohl (FASS) (2M)-3M = Michaels; (2m)-3m = maiors

Leaping Michaels: (2M)-4m = minor and other major and $(3\clubsuit)-4\spadesuit = \s and a major, (3 •) - 4 = 4 + M. (3m) - 4m = majors

(3x)-3NT stayman, RST and 4♠ asks for minors

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1* or 2*

X = Majors, 1/2/3NT = Minors. Use 1NT as a UCB

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Transfers over 1M (x)

XX = 8+ sets up forcing pass up to 2 of opener's suit, new suit = natural F1

Jump = fit and forcing natural

LEADS AND SIGNALS				
OPENING LEADS	STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Suit	3 rd from even, low from odd	If count is not known, 3 rd and low. If count is known, reverse attitude leads.		
NT	2 nd and 4 th	2 nd and 4 th or rev att if ct known		
Subsequent	Count	Count		
Other: We may lead O from a KO sequence against NT (King asks for unblock)				

Honour leads are not consistent, does not promise structure, just asks for info

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AK, A	AK, AKQ, AKJ
King	AK, KQ	AKJT, KQJ, KQT9
Queen	QJ	QJT, QJ9, KQ, AQJ, AKQ, KQT
Jack	JT, KJT	JT9, JT8, A/KJT
10	T9, HT9 QTx	T9, QTx, HT9
9	9x	9x,
Hi-X(usually eve	en) xxXx, Xx, xxXxxx	xXx(x)
Lo-X(usually ode	d) HxX, HxXx, HxxxX,	HxX, HxxX, HxxXx

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	AQ – attitude, K count/suit preference	Count	Reverse attitude
Suit 2	Count	Suit preference	Count
3	Suit preference		Suit preference
1	AQ – attitude, K count/suit preference	Reverse smith if obvious	Reverse Attitude
NT 2	Count	Count	Count
3	Suit preference	Suit preference	Suit preference

Signals (including Trumps): Suit preference in trumps

Mckenney suit preference when obvious

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Takeout doubles in direct tend to show values of light openings+

X followed by a 2NT rebid is 19-21 with 2NT system on.

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Of 1 (X): Rdbl=inverted minor, forcing to 2 .

Pre-empt (X) Rdbl = Penalty

NT (X) Rdbl = 5+card suit escape, forces $2 \clubsuit$.

Game Try Doubles, Lightner Doubles, Competitive doubles, Lead-directing doubles, support (re)doubles, after 1 - 1R - (X): 1M = 3M 12-14, Rdbl is 3card support unbalanced with extras or 18-19with 3M.

 $1 - (1 - 1) - X/1 = 4 + \sqrt{4}, 1 - (1 - 1) - X = 4 + 1 = 4 = 4$

 $1 \diamond -(1 \checkmark) - X = 4 + \diamond$, $1 \diamond -(1 \checkmark) - 1 \diamond = <4 \diamond$

SOS redoubles after they have tried to penalise partner's overcall

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: i.e. Green / Blue / Red / HMU / Brown

Sticker:

NCBO: English Bridge Union

PLAYERS: Oliver Powell + Charles Bucknell

EVENT (ALL)

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Short club and transfers

Strong NT

5 card majors

2/1 Game Force

Trash Multi 2♦ and intermediate 2 Major opening

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

Transfer responses over 1♣ openings

 1^{st} and 2^{nd} 2 ♦ is multi coloured, showing 5+♥/♠ and 0-8HCP

1 ♠ (P) 3 ♣ NV shows 9-11HCP 6+♥

Transfers over 1M (X) show EITHER 0+ and 6+ cards or 9+ and 5+ cards

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

Making a forcing pass then pulling a double shows a strong hand

IMPORTANT NOTES

FASS Lebensohl after interference over 1NT, after a takeout double of a weak/multi two and after (1M)-P-(2M)-X.

Stayman sequences over 1NT often don't promise a 4-card major

All fourth-suit-forcing is FG (by passed hand forcing to 2NT)

PSYCHICS: Extremely RARE

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OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1.*		2	34	2+♣, may contain 5♦ if bal	1 + 4 + 7 = 4 + 4, $1 + 10 = 4 + 4$, $1 + 10 = 10 = 4 + 4$ $1 + 10 = 10 = 4 + 4 = 4 = 4 = 4 = 4 = 4 = 4 = 4 = 4$	Completing transfer shows 11-14 w2/3 cards, 3-way checkback applies. Over 1♣-1M:1NT=18-19, 2NT=9 card raise 16+, 3♠=17-19bal 4card support, 3M= 15-18 shapely raise.	Same as non-passed hand except $2x = \text{fit jump}$ $1 \text{ (IR) } X = 1 \text{ (p) } 1R$
1 ♦		4	3.	4+♦, unbalanced	2 = 10+,4+ .2NT=0-5, 5+ .3 = 6-9, 5+	1 ♦ -1M→ transfer responses to 2 ♦ .(2 ♦ shows ♦+♥ non reverse). 1 ♦ -1M-2N 16+9 card raise. Swedish for 1 round over 1 ♦ -2 ♦ .	Same as non-passed hand except $2x = \text{fit jump}$
1♥		5	3♠	5+♥	2NT=FG, $4+ \checkmark$, 3NT=9-11&singleton, \checkmark support. NV $3 \stackrel{*}{=} 9$ -11, $3/4 \checkmark$. $3 \stackrel{*}{=} 5$ -9, $4+ \checkmark$, $3 \checkmark =$ pre-empt V $3 \stackrel{*}{=} 9$ -11, $3/4 \checkmark$. $3 \stackrel{*}{=} 9$ -11 $6+ \checkmark$, $3 \checkmark =$ 7-9, $4+ \checkmark$ $3 \stackrel{*}{=} a$ any singleton 9-11 (After which 3NT asks, bid $4 \checkmark$ with $\stackrel{*}{=}$ singleton) 3NT= $\stackrel{*}{=}$ void 9-11	2NT: $3 = 11-14$, $3 = 15+$, $3 \neq /4 / NT = 15+$ $4 \neq /4 = 15+$ shortage. 4x shows two suited strong. 3NT: $4 \neq 3 = 15+$ asks, then bid 1 suit above shortage. $1 = 15+$ 3M-2: 3M-1 asks for trump length, $4 = 15+$ 3NT serious	Transfers over 1M (X) s how EITHER 0+ and 6+ cards or 9+ and 5+ cards PH: 2♣. 4+M, 9-11, Swedish Responses 2♠. 3M, 9-11 Swedish Responses. In competition, over 2N invert 3♣ and 3♥
1.		5	3♠	5+ A	2NT=FG, 4+ \spadesuit , 3NT=9-11&singleton, \spadesuit support. NV 3 \clubsuit = 9-11, 6+ \blacktriangledown , 3 \spadesuit =9-11, 3/4 \spadesuit , 3 \blacktriangledown =5-9, 4+ \spadesuit V 3 \clubsuit =9-11, 6+ \spadesuit , 3 \spadesuit =9-11, 3/4 \spadesuit , 3 \blacktriangledown =9-11, 6+ \blacktriangledown , 3 \spadesuit = 7-9, 4+ \spadesuit . 1NT 5-11 SF	2NT: 3♣=11-14, 3♠=15+, 3♥/♠/NT= 15+ ♣/♠/♠shortage. 4x shows two suited strong. 3NT: 4♣ asks, then bid 1 suit above shortage 1M→3M-2: 3M-1 asks for trump length, 4x cue, 3NT serious.	Transfers over 1M (X) show EITHER 0+ and 6+ cards or 9+ and 5+ cards PH: 2♣. 4+M, 9-11, Swedish Responses 2♠. 3M, 9-11 Swedish F1R. In competition, over 2N invert 3♣ and 3♠.
INT		2	3.	15-17, never 9 major cards, may contain 9 minor cards.	2♣=NP stayman, 2 ♦ / ♥ RST, 2 ♦ /NT=6+ ♣ / ♦ , 3 ♣=asks for 5cM, 3 ♦=FG 5+ ♣ /5+ ♦ , 3 ♥ / ♠= splinters, 3 cards in OM. 4M-2=transfer to $4x+2$. 5NT asks for a 4 card minor	RST breaks = suit+doubleton (2NT shows M-1 doubleton). Completing minor transfer shows fitting honours. 3♦-3M=linked minor support. Breaking 4M-2 shows slam suitable hand.	Lebensohl FASS 1 st X=t/o, 2 nd =values, Further X=pen. 1 st X of 3 level action over stayman=pen.
2.*	X			22+HCP or 9+playing tricks or any game forcing hand.	2 ◆=any waiting, 2 ♥/♠= 5+, 5+cards, concentrated honours. 2NT/3 ♣/♦/♥=transfer to suit above, 5+ cards, 2 of the top 3 honours. 3 ♠=both minors 4/4+, 5-7hcp.	2♣-2♦-2♥ forces 2♠ where opener is either hearts or 25+bal. Completing transfer shows fit.	Pass=7+ X=0-6, bid=7+, good suit
2 ♦ 1 st 2 nd	X	5		5+M, 4-8HCP	2NT=inquiry, 3♣/♦=F1, 2/3♥/♠ (/4♥) Pass or Correct. 4♣=transfer to your major, 4♦=bid your major.	2 ♦ -2NT:3 ♣=min with ♥,3 ♦=min with ♠, 3 ♥=max with ♠, 3 ♠=max with ♥. Cue continuations.	
2 ♦ 3 rd 4 th		5		5+♦, 4-12HCP	2M NF, 2NT feature ask	3 ♦ min, 3x feature (A/K+) & max 11-12HCP	
2♥		6		1 st 2 nd constructive 9-12, 6+♥ 3 rd 4 th pre-emptive 4-12 5+♥	2NT=inquiry 11+HCP, 2+♥, New suit F1	3♣=9-10, 3♦=11-12 3♥/♠/NT= 11-12 ♣/♦/♠ shortage. 4x shows two suited.	
2.		6		1 st 2 nd constructive 9-12, 6+♠ 3 rd 4 th pre-emptive 4-12 5+♠	2NT=inquiry 11+HCP, 2+♠, New suit F1	3♣=9-10, 3♦=11-12 3♥/♠/NT= 11-12 ♣/♦/♥ shortage. 4x shows two suited.	
2NT		2		20-21HCP, up to semi balanced	3♣=Reverse Muppet Stayman (RMS), 3♦/♥=RST, 3♠=5/4+in minors. 4♣/♦=6+♥/♠. 5NT asks for 4 card minor.	RMS-3 ◆=4cM, 3 ♥=no4+cM, 3 ♠=5 ♠, 3NT=5 ♥. 4 ♣/♦: breaking shows a slam suitable hand	
3 .		6		Pre-emptive, 4-10HCP, 6+*	3 ◆/♥=5+♥/♠, 3 ♠ asks for suit quality	Completing RST=no fit (Xx or worse), 3N over 3 ♣=3/5top honours, over any answer 4 ♦ is modified RKCB: steps are 0, 1, 1+Q, 2, 2+Q.	
3♦		6		Pre-emptive, 4-10HCP, 6+◆	4 ♣=modified KC, steps are 0, 1,1+Q,2,2+Q.		
3♥		6		Pre-emptive, 4-10HCP, 6+♥			
3♠		6		Pre-emptive, 4-10HCP, 6+♠			

3NT		7	Solid 7 card minor AKQxxxx, at most one outside stop.	4♣/5♣=Pass or Correct 4♦=shortage ask	Over 4 ♦ , p bids their shortage, without shortage? 4N	
4.		6	Pre-emptive, 4-10HCP, 6+♣			
4♦		6	Pre-emptive, 4-10HCP, 6+◆			
4♥		6	Pre-emptive			
4 ♠		6	Pre-emptive			
4NT	X		Specific Ace Ask	5♣=no ace, 5♦/♥/♠=suit ace, 5NT=♣ace, 6♣=2 aces		
5 .		6	Pre-emptive		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5♦		6	Pre-emptive		When we have cue bid past 4NT, 5NT is RKCB.	
5♥		6	Pre-emptive		Voidwood (3014)	
5♠		6	Pre-emptive		RKCB ◆/♥/♠ 1430, ♣ 3014	
					After KC, 6x asks for 3 rd round control in x.	