

DEFENS. COMPET. BIDDING

OVERCALLS 5+cards 7-17H
Responses cue-bid forcing
jump fit + value

IN BAL. POS. 7-13H
Responses cue-bid forcing

TAKE-OUT DOUBLE standard, tends to be 3 suiter.
Responses cue-bid forcing for 1 round
jump 8-10H
1NT 7-11H

IN BAL. POS. 8+H
Responses cue-bid forcing

1NT OVERCALL 2nd 15-18H
4th over a major 10-12H
4th over a minor 12-14H
Responses see 1NT opening

JUMP OVERCALL weak 6 cards
at unfav vuln 10+-14H

DIRECT CUE-BID 2 suiter (highest).
responses cue-bid forcing

VS NT X 2 suiter major minor.
2♣ landy, 2♦ major one suiter, 2♥♠ Muiderberg
2NT 2 suiter ♣+♦ or game forcing.

VS PREEMPT take-out double

VS STRONG 1♣ X 4+♠-4+♥
1NT 4+♦-4+♣

VS FALSE ♦ X take-out

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE
XX : 11+H penalty oriented, 2 NT w fit.

LEADS AND SIGNAL

OPENING LEADS 3rd/5th in suit contracts
4th in NT

SUBSEQUENT LEADS attitude, count in part suit

LEADS NT SUIT

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------|
| <u>A</u> K | <u>K</u> <u>Q</u> | <u>Q</u> J | <u>J</u> T | <u>T</u> x | |
| <u>A</u> Kx | <u>K</u> <u>Q</u> x | <u>Q</u> Jx | <u>J</u> Tx | <u>T</u> 9 | |
| <u>A</u> KJx | <u>K</u> <u>Q</u> xx | <u>Q</u> JT9 | <u>J</u> T98 | <u>T</u> 9x | |
| <u>A</u> KJT x | <u>K</u> <u>Q</u> J x | <u>K</u> <u>Q</u> T x | <u>K</u> J T 9 | <u>9</u> 8x | xx |
| <u>A</u> QJx | <u>K</u> J T x | <u>K</u> Q T 9x | <u>K</u> T 9 8 | | xxx |
| AJxx | Kxx | Qxx | Jxx | Txx | xxxx |
| KJxx | Kxx | Qxx | Jxx | Txx | xxxx |
| Kxxx | Kxxx | Q T 9x | Jxxx | Txxx | xxxxx |

SIGNAL WHEN FOLLOWING SUIT OR DISCARDING

| CARDS | HIGH | LOW | ODD | EVEN |
|-----------------|--------|--------|-----|---------|
| Partner's lead | E or 2 | D or 1 | - | - |
| Declarer's lead | 2 | -/1 | - | - |
| Discarding | (E) | (D) | E | Italian |

OTHER SIGNALS

Smith echo high=E
Lavinthal on ace, King asks distribution.

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES

negative
competitive
maximal overcall
responsive
supporting double 1♣ p 1♥ 1♠ X

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

common sense and when vuln
versus non vuln.

CONVENTION CARD

Division II

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SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

1♣ opening might be 2 cards
Long diamond (texas Walsh),
5 cards major (2 over 1 not always auto forcing)
Strong NT 15-17H
2 NT 20-21 H

SPECIAL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

2♣ strongest opening
2♦ Multi, balanced 22-23H or weak two in
either major or minor 2 suiter 20H +
2♥ Ekren
2♠ w 2 suiter (Muiderberg), 5-4+ NV, 5-5 V
3NT gambling

SPECIAL COMPETITIVE BIDS

Preemptive raises. 2NT strong raise over major
openings. The concept of 2 NT texas ♣ is applied in
many contested auctions.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Openings and jump overcalls facing a passed hand
and at fav vul might differ from standard (wider range).

PSYCHIC OPENINGS

rare

| OPEN CRD | ARTIF. | DESCRIPTION | NEG DBL THRU | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT AUCTION | MODIFICATIONS OVER COMPETITION AND WITH PASSED PARTNER |
|---|-----------------------|--|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| PASS 13 1♣ 2 1♦ 4 | - | <11H 11-22HL | 4♥ 4♥ | - texas – Walsh on 1♣ 3♦/♥/♠ splinter | - Roudi after 1♦-1Maj-1NT Check-back after 1♣-1Maj-2NT | - 2NT after double with a fit. |
| 1♥ 5 | - | 11-22HL | 4♦ | 2♥ 8-10S, 3♥ 6-7S 4 cards, 5♥ weak with 5 cards 2♣ artificial might be weak, 2NT fit 4 cards 11+S Bergen raises, 2♠ strong see 1♥ | 2NT game try new suit: natural trial bid on 2♣, 2♦ is waiting 3♥ preempt | Single raise is weak. Modified Drury. Jump shows good suit +fit. 2/1 6-11, non forcing. |
| 1♠ 5 | - | 11-22HL | 4♥ | see 1♥ | | see 1♥ |
| 1NT - | - | 15-17HL balanced | | 2♣ stayman (may be weak) 2♦/2♥/2♠/3♣ texas ♥/♠/♣/♦ 3♥♠ minor 2 suiter, splinter 4♣♦ major 2 suiter, splinter | 2♠ forcing relay. 1NT-2♦/♥-3♥/♠ min 1NT-2♦/♥-2SA 4 card fit 4432 | Rubensohl, optional double. 1NT X - forcing to XX & XX is texas ♣. |
| 2♣ - | √ | Almost game forcing | - | 2♦ forcing relay 2♥/2♠ non forcing relay, max 4 H. 2NT 3♣/♦/♥ texas with 6 cards | 2♣-2♦/♥-2NT may include a singleton | X by responder is weak X by opener is take-out pass is forcing |
| 2♦ - | √ | 22-23H balanced or weak two in a major or minor 2 suiter 20H + | | 2♥ is a negative relay 2♠ is preemptive in hearts 2 NT positive relay Preemptive raises | | X by responder is for penalty X by opener is take-out |
| 2♥ 4 | - | weak major 2 suiter | | 2NT positive relay | | |
| 2♠ 5 | - | weak 2 suiter 6-11H 5-4+ NVul, 5-5+ Vul Suit bid + one minor | | 2NT strong relay, preemptive raises 3♣ to play in the 2 nd suit 3♦ texas, with limit raise or weak or Strong with 6♥ Puppet stayman - texas | | 2NT after double : strong raise |
| 2NT - | - | 20-21H balanced | | | | |
| 3♣/♦ 6 3♥/♠ 6 3NT - 4♣/♦ 7 4♥/♠ 7 | - - - - - | constructive preemptive gambling preemptive preemptive | - - - - - | new suit forcing, preemptive raises new suit forcing 4♦ forcing, other non forcing new suit forcing | SLAM APPROACH AND CONVENTIONS RKCB Raise to 5 of a major asks 2 top honors or the control of a suit. Minor suit overcall on BW : pass=30, X=41, etc... Cue-bid - X, pass = no control, other = single or K, XX = void or A, Italian cue-bid. Splinter. 3NT with two high cards in trump suit. | |
| 4 SA | √ | blackwood | | | | |