


DEFENSIVE AND COMETITIVE BIDDING		LEADS AND SIGNALS			EBL Convention Card	
OVERCALLS(Style; Responses; 1/2level; Reopening)		OPENING LEADS STYLE				
Natural style		Lead	in Partner's Suit		Category i.e. Green	Country: Portugal
Natural responses	Suit	1st, 3rd, 5th, internal sequence	1st, 3rd, 5th, internal sequence			
Cue=12+ with fit or any FG	NT	1st, 2nd, 4th	1st, 3rd, 5th			
Jump cue=fit, 4+cards support, splinter	Subseq	Usually attitude				
New suit=NF	Other:					
1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)		LEADS			SYSTEM SUMMARY	
15-18, system on	Lead	Vs.Suit	Vs. NT		GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE	
10-14 on reopening if 1m opening, system on	Ace	Asks for attitude	Asks for attitude		2 over 1	
10-16 on reopening if 1M opening, system on	King	Asks for attitude	Asks for unblock or count		2♣: strong > 22-23 if bal, 17+ with long and solid suit	
	Queen	Asks for attitude	Asks for attitude		2♦: FG, any distribution	
	Jack	Asks for attitude	Asks for attitude		2♥/♠: weak, 6/7 cards, limited 11HCP	
JUMP OVERCALLS(Style; Responses; Unusual NT)	10	1st or 3rd card	Promising (H109 or HJ10)		1NT Openings: 1NT: 15-17; 2NT: 20-21; 3NT: gambling	
1♣-2st=♦+♥; 1♣-3♣=♦+♠; 1♣-2♦=Majors; 1♦-2st=♣+♥; 1♦	9	1st or 3rd card	1st or 2nd card		2 OVER 1 Responses: GF except rebid	
1♦-3♣=Majors; 1♥-2st=minors; 1♥-2♥=♣+♠; 1♥-3♣=♦+♠;	Hi-x	from even			SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE	
1♣-2st=minors; 1♣-2♠=♣+♥; 1♣-3♣=♦+♥	Lo-x	from odd			Inverted minors	
Reopening: constructive hands	SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			Invitational and FG checkback		
DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopening)		Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding	Modified Bergen supports	
	Suit:1st	Low=encouraging	Hi=odd	Low=encouraging	Ghestem	
	2nd			Hi-low=odd	Kickback blackwood. Exclusion blackwood	
	3rd				Walsh over 1♣	
	NT: 1st	Low=encouraging	Hi=odd	Low=encouraging	Rubensohl	
VS. NT(vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)	2nd					
Over strong NT:Multilandy>2♣=Majors; 2♦=one Major; 2♥/♠=♥/♠+r	3rd					
2st=minors; X= 16+	Signals (including Trumps):					
Over weak NT:Multilandy; X=14+						
Reopening: 2♣=Majors; 2st=minors; others=natural; X= 5m+4M						
	TAKEOUT DOUBLES(Style;Responses;Reopening)					
VS.PREEMPTS(Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)	Natural TO with standard distribution for normal hands or any 18+HCP					
X=takeout	Reopening TO=8+HCP					
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS	SPECIAL,ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES			SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES		
1♣ strong: X=♣; 1X=natural; 1st=Majors or minors; 2♣=♣+♠or♦+♥	Negative and competitive doubles until 4♦			Pass in competition when opps interfere on FG actions		
2♦=♣+♦or♦+♠	Support doubles and redoubles			IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE		
2♣ strong: X=♣; 2X=natural; 2st=Majors or minors; 3♣=♣+♠or♦+♥				Psychics: very rare		
3♦=♣+♦or♦+♠						
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE						
1M-X-2♣=3cards support,8-10pts; direct raise=weak						
1x-X-2st=4+cards,11+pts						
new suit=F1						

OPEN	TIC K IF ART	MIN NO. OF CARDS	NEG. DBL. THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	4♥	11-20 HCP	walsh, inverted minors	1♣-1♥-1NT=may have 4♠	
						2way checkback over 1NT (note1)	
						Checkback over 2NT (note 2)	
1♦		3		11-20 HCP	inverted minors (note3)	1♦-1♥-1NT=may have 4♠	
						2way checkback over 1NT	
						Checkback over 2NT	
						relay after 2 level M fit (note4)	
1♥/♠		5		11-20 HCP	Gazzilli (note5)		Drury
					Short and long trials (note6)		
					2NT=15+ 2+cards♥/♠ (note7)		
					Modified Bergen Support		
1NT				15-17	stayman (note8), transfers, 2♠=stayman for minors, smolen, 4♠=Majors, 4♦/♥=transfers w/o slam interest, 4♣=blackwood		Rubensohl after overcall over 1NT (note9)
2♣	ü			Undefined strong hand. If bal = 22-23; one suit hand = 4/5 losers	2♦=waiting bid; other suit=5+cards with minimum 2 honours	After 2NT > system on	
2♦	ü			Game forcing, any distribution	2♥=maximum 1king; 2♠=2IC (1 ace or 2 kings): 2NT=3+IC balanced; 3X=3+IC, 5+cards	After 2NT > system on	
2♥/♠		6(5)		5-11 HCP	2NT=Relay; 3x = nat, 3♠/4x = splinter		
2NT				20-21, may have 5M	Stayman; transfers; 3♠=minor asking; 4m=blackwood		
3♣/♦ /♥/♠		7(6)		preemptive	New suit=F1;		
High Level Bidding							
3NT	ü			7 solid minor	4/5♣=pass or correct;	Kickback blackwood; Exclusion Blackwood;	
4♣/♦ /♥/♠		8(7)		preemptive		anti-controls when p denies a previous control=control on suit deny by p, no control on suit named Opp overcall after BW: DBL=0or3, pass=1or4, next step=2 w/o the Q, 2nd step=2 with Q	
4NT	ü			Minor 2 suits			
5♣/♦ /♥/♠		8+		preemptive			

<p>NOTE 1</p> <p>TWO WAY CHECKBACK</p>	<p>1m - 1M 1NT - 2♣ = asks for 2♦. May be sign off in ♦ or any invitational hand</p> <p>1m - 1M 1NT - 2♦ = FG, asks attitude for majors. Other minor=3-4 in majors</p> <p>1m - 1M 1NT - 2NT = asks for 3♣. Sign off in ♣ or FG with a shortness</p>
<p>NOTE 2</p> <p>CHECKBACK OVER 2NT</p>	<p>1m - 1M 2NT - 3♣ 3♦=3-4 in majors</p>
<p>NOTE 3</p> <p>INVERTED MINORS</p>	<p>1m - 2m = not FG, invitational or more</p> <p>1m - o/m jump = 8-10</p> <p>1m - 3m = preemptive, limited to 7HCP</p>
<p>NOTE 4</p> <p>RELAY AFTER 2 LEVEL MAJOR FIT</p>	<p>1m - 1♥ 2♥ - 2♠ = asks for distribution and strength 2NT=min. Bal; 3NT=max. Bal; others=max. Control; 3♥=minimum unbal.</p> <p>1m - 1♠ 2♠ - 2NT = asks for distribution and strength 3♣=min bal or max and ♣ control; 3NT=max bal; others=max control; 3♠=minimum unbal.</p>
<p>NOTE 5</p> <p>GAZZILLI</p>	<p>Any strong hand (16+) by opener After 1NT, 2♣: May be a natural bid, any balanced hand or any strong hand. After 2♣, 2♦ by responder=9+HCP</p>
<p>NOTE 6</p> <p>SHORT AND LONG TRIALS</p>	<p>1♥ - 2♥ 2♠=any shortness - 2NT=asks</p> <p>1♠ - 2♠ 2NT=any shortness - 3♣=asks</p> <p>Other new suit over support = long trial (1♥-2♥-2NT (long trial in ♠)</p>
<p>NOTE 7</p> <p>1M -2NT</p>	<p>15+HCP balanced. May have 2cards in opener suit Opener may bid shortness with 6+ cards</p>
<p>NOTE 8</p> <p>STAYMAN AND TRANSFERS AFTER 1NT OPENING</p>	<p>Stayman After 1NT-2♣-2♦ - 3♣: asks for minors and 3M - 3♦: shows a major shortness - 3M: smolen</p> <p>After 1NT-2♣-2M - 3♣: asks for minors - 3♦: shows major fit and asks controls</p> <p>Transfer for majors 1NT - 2♦ 2♥ - 2♠=5-5 major, slam try</p> <p>1NT - 2♥ 2♠ - 3♥=5-5 major, invitational</p> <p>1NT - 4♣=5-5 major, no slam interest 1NT - 4♦/♥=transfer to ♥/♠, no slam interest 1NT - 4♠=blackwood</p> <p>Transfer for minors 1NT - 2♠=asks for 4 card minor 1NT - 2NT=asks for 3♣, maybe sign off in ♣ or FG with one minor suit and any shortness 1NT - 3♣=sign off in ♦ or slam try in ♦ 1NT - 3♦=slam try in ♥ 1NT - 3♥=slam try in ♠ 1NT - 3♠=slam try in ♣</p>
<p>NOTE 9</p> <p>RUBENSOHL AFTER OVERCALL OVER 1NT</p>	<p>1NT - (2X) - until 2♠ natural non-forcing 1NT - (2X) - 2NT=transfer to ♣ 1NT - (2X) - 3♣=transfer to ♦ 1NT - (2X) - 3♦=transfer to ♥ 1NT - (2X) - 3♥=transfer to ♠ 1NT - (2X) - 3♠=help 1NT - (2X) - 3Y=transfer to X=stayman</p>