

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
8 – 15, sound at two level. Over short 1C, Ghestem. 2C is red suits
Responses to simple overcalls
New suit F1, raise pre-emptive
UCB after major o/c asks strength. After minor o/c, looks for NT
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
15 – 17, system on
In 4 th suit, 11– 14, system on
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak/intermediate, depending on vulnerability
2NT, 3C – CRO Ghestem. Show two same rank and two odd
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Cue – CRO Ghestem – shows 2 same colour
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
2C shows majors, at least 5/4
X penalties
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Over weak twos , X is t/o, lebensohl responses.
2NT to play, strong., system on. 3NT is minors
Over weak threes , X is t/o, then Herbert negative, 3NT to play
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
Over strong 1C, X = majors, 1NT = minors
OVER OPPONENTS’ TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Stretch bids
XX shows 9+ points, no fit

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	Low from honour, MUD	Low from hon, mud	
NT	2 nd & 4th	Low from hon, mud	
Subseq			
Other:			
LEADS. Standard, 2 nd & 4 th in NT contracts			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AKx(+) Ax(+) AKQx AKJ10	AKx(+) Ax(+) AKQx AKJ10	
King	AK KQ(+) KQJ(+) KQ10 [AKx(+)]	AK KQ(+) KQJ(+) KQ10 [AKx(+)]	
Queen	AQJ(+) QJ10(+) QJ(+)	AQJ(+) QJ10(+) Qlow from hoonourJ(+) KQ10x	
Jack	J10(+) (A/K)J10x(+)	J10(+) (A/K)J10x(+)	
10	109(+) (A/K/Q)109x	109(+) (A/K/Q)109x	
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SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit	Standard attitude	Standard count	Hi encouraging
	K count,AQ attitude		
NT	Standard attitude	Standard count	McKenney
Signals (including Trumps): attitude, McKenney in NT			
Suit preference if appropriate in trumps			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
May be light with classic shape. Emphasise majors			
Sputnik doubles (promise other major or both majors)			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: i.e. Green
NCBO: Scotland
PLAYERS: Reg & Diana Drysdale
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
12/14 NT, weak twos in majors, 4 card majors
2C response to 1NT opener is non promissary Stayman
2D opener strong hand, 2C is 22/23 or 8 tricks (rule of 25)
Other bids
Checkback after NT response, 2D min denial, 2NT max denial
After 1X – 2Y – 2NT is 15/19, 3C is now range enquiry checkback. 3D shows 18/19, otherwise with 15/17 show majors.
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
1NT – X – P – P asks for XX.
Then Pass or Helvic (4 card suits upwards)
IMPORTANT NOTES
PSYCHICS:

OPEN ING	TI CK IF AR TI FI CI AL	MIN · NO. OF CAR DS	NEG .DB L THR U				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		4	3S	Natural, 12 - 19	Inverted limit raises (off after o/call)	Show stopper for NT	After X, stretched responses
					Splinters with game points	1NT shows 15/17, 2NT shows 18/19	But 2/3NT to play
1♦		4	3S		New suit F1		UCB after o/call looks for stop
1♥		4		Natural, 12 - 19	New suit F1. 1NT denies 3 spades	Trial bid asks for help for game. FSF	Stretched responses after X
					3NT agrees suit, flat hand. 2NT Jacoby 15+	After 1X – 2Y – 2NT shows 15/19. Then	2NT agrees suit, 10+
1♠		4			Both off after o/call	3C is range enquiry checkback	UCB good raise to 3 after O/C
INT				12/14 balanced	Non prom Stayman, transfers,	Break major suit trf with 14 pts + 4 card suit	SADS lebensohl after overcall
					2S shows 6 clubs, 2NT shows 6 diamonds	Break minor suit trf with 3 to honour	P after X asks for XX. Then helvic
2♣	✓			22/23 or 8 tricks (rule of 25)	2D relay	After 2NT rebid, 5 card puppet and trf	
						After 3NT rebid (26/27), ditto	
2♦	✓			Game force	2H relay	After 2NT rebid (24/25), ditto	
2♥		6		Weak, 5 - 9	Ogust		After X, lebensohl.
2♠		6		Weak, 5 - 9	Ogust		
2NT				20/21 balanced	Trf to majors, 5 card puppet Stayman		
					3S = 5 spades & 4 hearts		
3♣							
3♦		7		Natural pre-mpt			
3♥		7		ditto			
3♠		7		ditto			
3NT	✓			Long solid suit, no more than Q	4C asks to pass or correct.. Pass hopes to make		
				outside			
4♣		8					
4♦		8		Stronger pre-empt			
4♥		8		ditto			
4♠		8		ditto			
4NT				Specific ace asking	Bid specific ace, 5C is no aces. 6C is AC		
5♣				To play		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5♦				ditto		1430 RKCB. 5NT shows 2 plus void then 6C asks for kings	
5♥				ditto		Cue bid kings after Q ask	
5♠				ditto		After unsuccessful Stayman (1NT – 2C – 2D), 4NT is quantitative, 4C gerber	
						But 1NT – 2C – 2H/S, 4NT is now RKCB	
						Gerber directly after NT opener or rebid, 5C asks for kings	