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DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening)

NAT. 8-15 1-level, 5+ suit --> 2♣ Drury (After 1M)

Vs. art. 1♣: 1◊=4+4+M-s; 1♡=♣+♡ or ◊+♠;1♠=♣+♠ or ◊+♡; 1NT=5+♣/◊; 2♣=5+4+ m

2◊=5+M; 2♡♠=5♡♠ & 4+m; 2NT=5+5+ m-s. 1♡♠ are 6-11hcp, other bids 8-14hcp

Vs. art. 1◊: same, but 2♣=4+4+ Majors.

1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)

15-17 with stopper in opp. suit

Resp. the same as after 1NT (SYS ON)

from 4th live 11-15, balance w/ stop, SYS ON

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suit: Nat. preempt

2-Suit:

Reopen: from 4th live 6+ good suit, 13-17 hcp, 4,5 - 5,5 losers

DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)

MICHAELS CUE:(1M)2M = 5OM + 5m

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

vs. weak (includes less than 14 hcp) DBL=13+, suit=nat, 11-15 hcp

vs. strong NT: 2♣=♣♡; 2◊=◊♡; 2♡=♡♠; 2♠=♠+m; 2NT=minors. 5-4+ suits, destructive

VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)

DBL: for Take-out

Leaping Michaels vs. 2♡♠ openings

2M-3M asks stopper

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Vs. Strong1 ♣: CRASH DBL=◊+ ♡ or ♣+♠; 1◊=minors or majors; 1NT=♣+♡ or ◊+♠

subsequent bids by responder are P/C

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

RDBL = 10 + HCP

1M-(Dbl.): 1NT2♣◊ are transfers

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	2nd/4th (3rd from Hxx)	same
NT	2nd/4th	same
Subseq	attitude (high-low=passive)	same

Other: high from doubleton

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AKx(+), Ax	AKx(+), Ax
King	AKx(+),KQx(+),	AKx(+),AKJ10(+),KQ10(+)
Queen	QJx(+),AQJx(+),	QJx(+),AQJx(+),
Jack	J10x(+), KJ10x(+), AJ10x(+)	J10x(+), KJ10x(+), AJ10x(+)
10	10x	10x, 1098x
9	9x, 109x	9x, 109x
Hi-x	xSxx,xSx,Sx	xSxx,xSx,Sx
Lo-x	HxxxS,HxxS,HxS	HxxxS,HxxS,HxS

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partners Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit:1st	count	count	S/P
2nd	attitude	S/P	Italian
3rd	S/P		
NT: 1st	count	count	S/P
2nd	attitude	S/P	Italian
3rd	S/P		

Signals (including Trumps): trump ECHO (high-low shows ruff potential)

SMITH SIGNAL vs NT (low encourages)

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

12+ HCP classic TO or 16+ any

Reopening from 8 HCP, if short OPP suit and 4 card OM

Responses - natural, NF (opp. suit=GF). Jump shift is invitational, NF.

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES

NEG DBL, then new suit=F1

1m-(1 ♠)-DBL suggests 4+♡, 8+ HCP

Lightner DBL

Reopen DBL

Slam DBL (in competitive slam bidding pass shows 0 or 2 tricks, DBL shows 1 trick)

SUPP DBL in 1&2 level

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

3-way ♣ (12-14bal or 16+unbal. or 18+ bal.)

5-card Majors

1◊ =4+unbal, may be 4◊5♣ distribution

1NT Openings: 15-17 HCP

2 OVER 1 Responses: F1

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

1♣ 12-14bal or 16+unbal. or 18+ bal.

2◊=6+ cards in M, 6-10 HCP

2♡=5♡, 4+m, 6-10 HCP

2♠=5♠, 4+m, 6-10 HCP

2NT 5+5+ minors, 6-10 HCP

3NT=Gambling, AKQxxxx minor w/o side stop (in 3rd/4th live w/ stop

lebensohl in competitive bidding

Special defence vs. opponents art. 1♣◊ openings

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

in GF sitations; when OPP runs from PEN DBL; after INV w/ SUPP;

in high-level after our strong bidding; after showing nat suit w/ SUPP to partner

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

1◊ opening may include 5♣

lebensohl in competitive auctions

Psychics: rare

OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS

Opening	Artificial	Min.	Neg Dble thr	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bid
1♣	Yes	0	2♠	12-14 bal., 11-15 4-4-1-4	1♢ 0-7HCP; NT=limit; 2♡/♠ FG; 3♣♢♡♠=PRE	1♣-1♢-1NT=18-21; 1♣ - 1♢ - 2♣ FG;	
1♣				16+ unbal.		1♣ - 1M - 1NT - 2♣ gadget (asking about M length and hcp)	
1♣				18+ bal.		1♣ - 1M - 2♣ check-back (asking about M length and hcp)	
1♢	No	4	3♠	11-15 HCP 5+♢; 4♢5♣; 4♢441	2♢=F1(inverted minors); 2M=FG; 2NT=♢ PRE or 10-11hcp w/ ♢ SUPP	1♢-1M-1NT-2♣ Gadget; 1♢-2♡-2♠=min, SUPP, S/S ->2NT=ASK;	
1♢					3♢=8-10hcp, 3♡♠=Splinter	1♢-2NT-3♣=max; 1♢-2NT-3♣-[3♡♠]-X=w/o stop; 1♢-2NT-3♢-[3♡♠]-X=TO	
1♡	No	5	4♢	11-15 HCP	jump shift= suit+SUPP; 3♠4♣♢= splinter; 3♡=INV;	1♡-2♡-2♠ S/S; +1=relay: opener bids S/S	Drury
1♡					2NT - INV or better	1♡ - 2♡ -2NT/3♣♢ long suit trial bid wit ♠♣♢	
1♡					3NT=BAL w/ ♡ SUPP, mild slam try		
1♠	No	5	4♡	11-15 HCP	same as 1♡	same as 1♡	Drury
1NT	No			15-17 HCP	STAY; JACOBY TRF; 2♠=6+♣ or INV; 2NT=6+♢	1NT-2♠: 2NT=min, 3♣=max; 1NT-2NT-3♣=max, 3♢=min	
1NT					3♡♠=S/S, 5+4+minors;	1NT-2♢-2NT=max good supp., 3H=min 4♡; after 1NT-2♡=same	
2♣	No	5	4♡	11-15,5♣4M or 6+♣	2♢=ART F1; 2M=NF;2NT=transfer to C or (5-5)M; 3♣ 7-10 3+♣	2♣ -2♢-2♡-2♠ relay; 2♣-2NT-3C-3D=FG (5-5)M	
2♢	Yes	0		6-10 HCP 6+M	2♡♠ and 3♡♠=P/C; 2NT Relay	2♢-2NT-3♣=min♡,3♢=min♠, 3♡=max♡, 3♠=max♠	
2♡	Yes	5		6-10 HCP 5♡ 4+m	2S=Nat, NF; 2NT Relay; 3♣=P/C; 3♢=invit in ♡; 3♡ NF	2♡-2NT-3♣=min♣; 3♢=min♢; 3♡=max♣; 3♠=max♢	
2♠	Yes	5		6-10 HCP 5♠ 4+m	2NT Relay; 3♣=P/C; 3♢=invit in ♠; 3♠ NF	2♠-2NT-3♣=min♣; 3♢=min♢; 3♡=max♣; 3♠=max♢	
2NT	Yes			6-10 hcp (5-5)m	3H=ASK distribution	2NT-3♡: 3♠(2-1);3NT(1-2);4♣(1-1);4♢(3(2)-0);4♡(0-3(2))	
3♣	No	6		PRE	3♢♡♠=F1; 4♢=RKCB		
3♢	No	6		PRE	3♡♠=F1; 4♣=ASK S/S	3♢-4♣: 4♢= no S/S; 4♡♠5♣=S/S	
3♡	No	7		classic	3♠=F1; 4♣=RKCB		
3♠	No	7		classic	4♣=ASK S/S; 4♣=RKCB		
3NT	Yes			GAMBLING	4♣=P/C; 4♢=ASK S/S; 5♣=P/C	3NT-4♢: 4♡♠=S/S; 4NT=7222; 5♣♢=nat, S/S in other minor	
4♣	No	7		PRE, no side CTRL			
4♢	No	7		PRE, no side CTRL			
4♡	No	7		PRE,			
4♠	No	7		PRE,			
4NT	Yes			(6+-5+)minors			
5♣	No	7					
5♢	No	7					
5♡							
5♠							
5NT							

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

RKCB 1430

Splinter

Cue-bids

Josephine

when fit is found, 6 in a new suit asks 3rd round CTRL