COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Overcalls

• Natural; 4^+ c. = 6/16 HCP

Responses

Cue bid = Forcing (w/ or w/out fit)
 New Suit = Maj over Min is forcing

• Raise = Pre-emptive

Take out Double

• X followed by 1 suit = 18 + HCP (4/5 LT)

1 NT Overcall

- **2th position** ⇒ 15+/18 HCP (System on)
- 4th position ⇒ 10/14 (System on)

Jump overcall ⇒ Pre-emptive (at level 2: constructive if vulnerable, light if not vulnerable)

Unusual NT \Rightarrow 2 suiter (passed hand)

2 suiter bids ⇒ Guesthem

Overcall over 1NT in 2nd pos. (P. Transfers)

• 2 • Hearts

• 2 **v** = Spades

• $2 \stackrel{\wedge}{\bullet}$ = Minors

• 2ST = Clubs

• 3 • Diamonds

• $\mathbf{X} = 5 \text{ M} + 4^{+}\text{m} (12^{+}\text{points}) \text{ or any strong}$

In 4rd position \rightarrow *Landy*

Over Opponents Take-out Double of 1 V/

• Fit w/3c: $2 \checkmark / 4 = 5-8^-$; 2 4 = 8-10; $XX = 11^+$

• Fit w/4 $^+$ c: 3 \checkmark / \spadesuit = 0-6; 2NT = 11 $^+$ Mixed raises 8-10; Splinter 12-15

• Support • RDBL = 10/11 HPC

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With passed hand over 1 √/ 2 ♣= Drury 3 cards(or 4 without singleton); Bergen raises • Over 1 √/E -2ST= Minors

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS

• Vs Suit $o \rightarrow 1st/3rd/5^{th} + internal sequences$. VS NT- 2^{nd} , 4th

Subsequent Leads

- Vs Suit \rightarrow Attitude (1st/3rd on partner suit)
- Vs NT \rightarrow Attitude (1st/3rd on partner suit)

LEADS

Leads	Vs Suit	Vs NT
Ace	Ax, AKx, AKJ10x	Ax, AKx, AKJx
King	AK, KQ (+), KQJ (+)	AKJT (+), KQJ(+)
Queen	QJ (+), AQJ x	QJ (+), AQJ (+); RDxxx
Jack	J x, J10 (+) H J 10 (+)	J x, J10 (+) H J 10 (+)
10	10 x, 10 9 (+), H 109	10 x, H 10 9 (+)
9	9 x, 9 8 x	9x; 9 8x

SIGNALS WHEN FOLLOWING SUIT OR DISCARDING

	Partner's 1st	Partner's lead	Discarding		
NT	Odd Encor	Odd Encor	Odd Encour		
	even Descor	Even Descor	Even Prefer		
	* Smith Inverted				
	* Counting: hi/low = odd nr of cards				
Suit	Odd Encor	Odd Encor	Odd Encour		
	Even Descor	Even Descor	Even Prefer		
	* Counting: hi/low = odd nr of cards				

COMPETITIVE DOUBLES

- Negative Double thru 4 •
- Support Double when RHO interfers till 2 Hearts

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

• 1x / LHO Overcall / Pass = Maybe penalty

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 $(1200 - 1 \spadesuit) - (830 - N \spadesuit)$

NATURAL

- $\clubsuit = 3^+ \text{ c.}$ $\blacklozenge = 3^+ \text{ c.}$ \blacktriangledown , $\spadesuit = 5^+ \text{ c.}$
- 1 NT = 14^+ -17 HCP '2/1' GF
- Over 1♥; 1NT=, F1
- Over 1 : 1NT=F1

SPECIAL OPENINGS BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

- Gazilli over 1♥ and 1♠
- Jacobi and bergen raises
- 2 = Strong (could be GF or not)
- 2 = ♥-♠ weak **or** 21-23 bal
- $2 \lor = 5$ cards and 5 any suit
- $2 \spadesuit = 5 \spadesuit$ and 5^+ in minor
- 2 NT = 18-20 bal
- 3 . / / v/ST = PRE in the next suit (not vulnerable could be very light) or 2 suits strong
- 3♠ solid minor or 2 suits strong
- 4 4/ = Pre-emptive (in 1^{st} or 2^{nd} pos bad suit
- 4 **♥ ♦** = Natural

OTHER BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

- Rubensol and Lebensol
- Over 2 ◆ Multi → 2c/E= short 2 NT = 16-18 HCP bal
- After 1NT 2 ♦ could be:
 - a) Hearts
 - b) Invitation for 3NT with ♣ or ◆ suit
 - c) Slam try in ♥-♠

PSYCHICS

• Frequent in 3th position with vuln favorable

- BAL = Balanced BW = Blackwood COMP = Competitive DBL or X = Double DISCG = Discourage (ing) ENCRG = Encourage (ing) F = Forcing F1 = Forcing 1 round GF = Game forcing G/T = Game try H = Honour HPC = High Card Points KCB = Keycard Blackwood LEB = Lebensohl LHO = The opponent on your left M = Major
- m = Minor OPPT = Opponent(s) PRE = Pre-emptive RDBL = Redouble RESP = Responder S/P = Suit preference SPL = Splinter WJS = Weak jump shift

1.	2	3.	4.	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	Modification over competition and with passed hands
1 *			4♥	Natural, 3 or + c.	Walsh; Inverted minors (2 ♦= intermediate).	After 1♣ - 1(♦ /♥/♠) - 1 NT:	
					1.4-2.4 (11+)-Forcing till 3.4	a) $2 = $ Forcing to $2 $;	
		3			2♥/♠ = strong (follow by controls)	b) 2 ♦ = Checkback GF;	
						c) 2ST Forcing to 3.	
1 🔸			4♥	Natural, 3 or + c (if 4432).	Inverted minors (3 \triangleq = intermediate). 10-20 (11 ⁺)	After 1 ♦ - 1(♥/♠) -1 NT:	
		3			forcing till 3 •	c) $2 = Forcing to 2 ;$	
					2/1= GF. (except after 1d-2c-2d-3c, or 1d-2c-2st-3c)	d) 2 ♦= Checkback GF;	
					2♥/♠ = strong.	c) 2ST Forcing to 3.	
1♥		5*	4 🔸	10-21 HCP, 5 ⁺ ♥;	'2/1' = GF; 1NT-F1 (Gazilli)	=> 2♥ = catch-all; 2NT = 14-17;	2 . = <i>Drury</i> (3 c)
				* 3 rd and 4 th place: 4 ⁺	2 v = 7-10, w 3 cards support;	=>2, any short (2st asks);2NT= trial in	2ST Both Minors
						♠; 3X=trial in X	3x – Bergen
					$2NT = \text{fit w}/4^+ \text{ GF};$		
					3x = Bergen raises; 4x = splinter;		
					$3 = 4 $ GF with one void; 3NT-Splinter in \bullet		
1 🔥		5*	4 🔸	10-21 HCP, 5 ⁺ ♠;	1NT=F1 (Gazilli); '2/1' = GF	• Over 2/1 GF, 2 • = catch-all;	
				* 3 rd and 4 th pl: 4 ⁺	2 = 7-10, w 3 cards support;	2NT = 14-17; 3NT = 11-12	
					$2NT = \text{fit w}/4^+ \text{ GF}, \text{ no short};$	• Over 2 , 2NT= any short (3 asks),	
1 NIT					$3x = $ Bergen raises; $4x = $ splinter. $3NT 4^+ \land GF$ with void	3X=trial in X	AC DIIO 1
1 NT			4 •	15-17 HCP BAL	2♣= Stay (may have no majors); 2♦= transfer or others;	• Over $1NT - 2 - 2 \longrightarrow Smolen$	After RHO natural
					2 ♥= transfer 2 ♠= Both minors, weak or strong or week		overcall, negative doubles and
					in Diamonds		Rubensohl.
					2NT= 1 minor, weak or strong in \clubsuit or strong in \spadesuit 3 invitacional $5 \checkmark / 5 \spadesuit = 3 \checkmark / \spadesuit = 3$ suit, singl \spadesuit / \checkmark ;		Rubelisoin.
					4. = Majors; $4 \checkmark = \checkmark$; $4 \checkmark - 4$ = 4NT invitational.		
2*		0		Strong		After 2 0 2 A 2 NT > 2 0 — Dunnet Steve	
∠ •••	V	U		Strong	$2 \leftarrow \text{Relay}; 2 \checkmark / \blacktriangle = 5 \text{ cards with 2 honors}; 2ST = 14^+; $ $3 \clubsuit / \blacklozenge = 6 \text{ cards with 2 honors}$	After $2 - 2 - 2$ NT $\rightarrow 3 = $ Puppet Stay After $2 - 2 - 2 $ $2 - 2 $ neg.	
2 •	<u>✓</u>	0		♥- weak, or 22-23 HCP BAL	2 v =to play if weak in v; 2 h = to play if weak in h	After 2NT, $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \checkmark \min$, $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = \land \min$, $3 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} = $	
2 🔻	<u> </u>	U		V-A weak, of 22-23 HCF BAL	2NT=asks; 3*/• = Not forcing	$\max, 3 \triangleq \forall \max.$	
2 🗸		5		5 Hearts and 5+ other suit	2ST=GF; 2E= Pass or correct; 3 •=Inv. or more with fit	max, 5♣–▼ max.	
2 🛕		5		5 Spades and 4 ⁺ minor.	2ST=GF; 3♣= Pass or correct; 3♦=Inv. or more with fit		
2 NT				18-20 HCP BAL	3♣= Puppet stayman; 3♦/♥= transfer; 3♠=minors,	After $3 \diamond$, $4 \clubsuit =$ both majors slamish, $4 \diamond =$	
2111				10-20 Her BAL	slamish; 3NT 5S + 4 H; $4 \leftarrow$ majors; $4 \leftarrow$ one minor	both majors to play.	
3♣		0		Pre-emp in ♦ or bic ♣ and other	olamon, et (1 e.e.) v 11, v 1 majoro, v 1 one minor	SLAM APPROACH AND COM	NVENTIONS
3 •		0		Pre-emp in ♥ or bic ♦ and other		(RKCB for ♥is 4♠ and Blackwood)	
3♥		0		Pre-emp in ♠ or BIC ♥ and other		• RKCB & Blackwood \rightarrow • 3/0 • 4/1 • 2 • 2 + Q	
3 🔥		0		Solid minor or Bic A and other		• 5 NT = 1 Ace + 1 Useful Void	
3 NT	V			Pre-emp in clubs		• 6 x (under trump) = $2A + 1$ usef void	
4		7		Pre-emp, with bad suit if in 1 st		• 6 on trump suit = 2A + 1 usef void	
				and 2 nd position		• If LHO interfer, X or XX is even, "pass":	is odd (DEPO)
4♥-♠		7		Natural			