

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (style ; Responses ; ½ Level ; Reopening)
Style : natural, can be light 7+HCP
Responses : New suit F1, weak jump raises.
Reopening : no jump usually shows 7-13(14) HCP NT : 1NT 9-13, 2NT 17-19, but slightly different over 1♠
T/O Doubles General Style
Can be light if shaped
Reopening 8+ according to shape
NT Overcalls
Direct: 15-18 HCP, Reop: 9-13 HCP, but 10-15 after 1♠ P P Responses : Stayman and Transfers
JUMP Overcalls
Style : natural weak except : (1♣) 2♦ majors, (1♦) 3♣ = ♠ + ♣ NF, (1♥/♠) 3♣ = ♠/♥ + ♦
Unusual NT : two lower unbid suits
Direct cue-bid : two-suiter except 1♣ 2♣ natural
Jump cue bid : asks for stopper but (1m) 3m = ♠ + other m
VS 1NT OPENING
VS Strong NT (14-16 or more) X = 5+m, 4M or strong, 2♣ both majors, 2♦ 1 major, 2♥/♠ 5♥/♠, 4+m, 2NT both minors
VS Weak (13-15 or less) or 3rd hand NV NT X = 13+ HCP, 2♣ both majors, 2♦/♥ Transfer. 2♠ = 4♠ + 5+m, 2NT = 4♥ + 5+m, 3♣/♦ constructive After X, 2 nd X of a natural suit is T/O.
VS PREEMPTS
Style : T/O double, natural overcalls. Over a weak 2M, cue bid shows both minors, 4m = 5M' 5m
Responses : New suit F1, 2NT asks
VS ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENING
VS Strong 1♣ X shows opening values and majors, 1-level natural, 1NT both minors, 2NT both majors, 2 and 3-level nat preempts 1♣ 1M Pass 1NT : cue bid 2x : natural NF
OVER OPPONENTS T/O DOUBLE
XX=10+ HCP, next X are penalty. After 1M X, 2NT invitational with a 4-card fit, and fit showing jumps at the 3 and 4 level in minor.

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's suit	
Suit	3 rd /low	3 rd /5 th	
NT	4th best	3 rd /5 th	
Subsequent	Attitude/Count	Count	
Other : VS suit, lead 2nd from xxxx, 3 rd or 4 th from six cards			
VS suits contracts, may lead K from AKx(x) and a sing aside			
LEADS			
Lead	Suit	NT	
Ace	<u>A</u> Kx(x)	Ask for attitude	
King	AK, KQ(x)	Ask for count/unblock	
Queen	QJ(x), Qx, AKQ(x)	Ask for attitude	
Jack	(H)J10(x), Jx	(H)J10x	
10	10x, (H)109(x)	(H)109x(x), H10x	
9	9x, HH9x	9x, 9xx, H9x	
Hi-x	xx, xxxx, Hxxx	Hxx, xxx, xxxx(x)	
Low-x	xxx, Hxx, Hxxxx	Hxxx, Hxxxx,	
SIGNALS IN ORDER PRIORITY			
	Partner's lead	Declarer's lead	Discarding
1	Std count	Std count	Std count
2	High enc	S/P	High enc
3			
1	Std count	Smith echo	Std count
2	High enc	Std count	High enc
3	S/P	S/P	S/P
Smith echo VS NT : upside down from the leader, std from his partner (could be reversed in some situations)			
Signals in Trump: Hi-lo often shows an ability to ruff, otherwise S/P			
TAKE OUT DOUBLES			
Style : can be light if shaped			
Responses : natural, cue-bid shows strength			
Reopening : 8+, according to shape			
Responder's doubles :			
1m 1♥ X : 4 or 5♠, 1♠ : 0-3♠			
1♣ 1♦ X : 4 or 5♥, 1♥ : 4 or 5♠, 1♠ : no 4 card major			

CONVENTION CARD
Category : Green NCBO : France Event : Any Players : Thomas Bessis & Cédric Lorenzini
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROCH AND STYLE
5-Card Major, Better Minor
2♣ GF or 22-23 NT
2♦ 18-19 BAL
2♥/♠ weak 2
1NT Opening : 14+-17
2/1 : GF
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE
Openings
3NT solid minor no Ace or King aside
Competitive bids
See responder's doubles.
VS 1NT opening
IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE
Many fit showing jump bids.
3 rd suit F1.
Psychics : rare

OPENING BIDS AND DEVELOPPEMENTS							
Opening	Tick if artificial	Minimum number of cards	Negative X thru	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	7♥	10-22 HCP, better minor 15+ HCP if 4-4 ♣/♦	2♣ : 5+♣, no 4c M, GF 2♦ : inv ♣ raise 2♥ : 5+♠ 4+♥ 3-9 HCP	See take out doubles. 2-way check-back after 1x 1y 1NT	Fit showing jumps.
1♦		3	7♥	10-22 HCP, better minor 11-14 or 1444 15-17 if 4-4 ♣/♦	2♦ : (4)5+♦, no 4c M, GF 2♥ : 5+♠ 4+♥ 3-9 HCP 3♣ : inv ♦ raise	Same as above.	Same as above
1♥		5	7♦	10-22 HCP	2♠ : ~ 7-10 HCP with 6+♠ 2NT : ~ 10-13 HCP 3+c raise 3♣/♦ : nat 6+c invitational 3♥ : PRE 3♠ : unspecified sing splinter 3NT, 4♣/♦ : void splinter	2-way check-back after 1♥ 1♠ 1NT 2♣ Gazzili after 1♥/♠ response After overcall : 2NT GF 4+ card raise, Cue-bid inv+ 3 card raise or INV 4+ card raise Fit showing jumps, splinter	Reversed Drury Fit showing jumps 3♣ NAT
1♠		5	7♥	10-22 HCP	Same as above except : 3NT unspecified sing splinter 4♣ void in ♣ or ♥, 4♦ void 4♥ natural	Same as above	Same as above 3♣ NAT
1NT			7♥	14+-17 HCP bal or semi-bal 5M or 6m possible	2♣ Stayman, 2♠ range ask/♣ 2NT ask for 5-card major 3♣ Transfer ♦ 3♦/♥ = 6+♥/♠, slam try 3♠ = 22(45) or (23)44, 13+	After overcall : Rubensohl	
2♣	x	0	7♥	GF or 22-23 NT	2♦ waiting	2♣ - 2♦ - 2♥ Kokish	
2♦	x	2	4♠	18-19 BAL	Multi meaning transfers	After overall : Rubensohl	
2♥/♠		(5)6		Weak 2, according to Vul	2NT ask	Natural	
2NT			7♥	20-21 bal or semi bal	Stayman, Transfers		
3♣/♦		6		PRE aggressive NV/V	Natural	4♦/♣ KC (optional NV)	
3♥/♠		6		PRE aggressive NV/V	Natural	4♣ KC (optional NV)	
3NT	x			Solid minor no Ace or King aside	4♣ P/C, 4♦ ask, 4♥/♠ to play		Can be stronger in 3 rd seat
4x		7		PRE	4NT to play over 4m		
4NT	x			Both minors according to vul			
5♣/♦		7					

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING AND SLAM CONVENTIONS

RKCB 5 key cards 1430, 5♠ 2 + Q of Trump, 5NT 2 KC and a void, 6x : 1 or 3 KC and a void. Priority King theory in some situations.

Controls and cue-bid, Josephine, 5NT grand slam force

