

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses; 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
1-level overcalls: 5+ cards, 8-17 HCP (strong 4-card major possible)
Weak jump overcalls (aggressive, 3-9 HCP)
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
Sandwich 1NT by passed hand only
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak jump overcalls, aggressive, 3-9 HCP
Unusual NT (lower 2 suits; vul-dependent strength)
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Michaels cue bid -
Over weak 2 in a major: 4M = strong minors, 4NT = weaker minors
Unusual vs Unusual: lower cue = limit raise or better
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak;)
Cappelletti vs 1NT
Lebensohl after interference
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Lebensohl after double of weak 2
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 2♣
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

LEADS AND SIGNALS		
OPENING LEADS STYLE		
	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	4th/ 2 nd from 4 small	Hx x
NT	4th/ 2 nd from 4 small	Hxx
Subseq	Attitude - small = encourage	Attitude - small = encourage
Other:	Top of Nothing	Top of Nothing
LEADS		
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	Ask for Attitude	Ask for Attitude
King	Ask for count	Count and/or unblock
Queen	AKQ(x) unblock	KQ, QJ(x)
Jack	J10(x)	J10: KJ10: AJ10
10	Tx or 4	2nd / 4th
Hi-X	Top of Doubleton	
Lo-X	Implies Honour / Singleton	Implies Honour
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY		
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead
1	Attitude High Enc	Count (H-L = Even)
		Odds/Evens
2	Count (H-L = Even)	
		Odd encourage
3	SPS	
Signals (including Trumps):		
Discard of an Odd card shows interest in that suit		
DOUBLES		
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)		
Takeout doubles to 4♥		
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS		
Negative doubles (up to 3♦)		
Responsive doubles (up to 3♦)		
Support doubles (up to 2♥)		
Jordan (Truscott) 2NT after takeout double		

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: i.e. Green / Blue / Red / HUM / Brown Sticker:
NCBO: Cyprus Bridge Federation
PLAYERS: Diana Serban and Gabrielle Sherman
EVENT: EBL Women's Online Teams 2026
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
2/1 Game Force with 5♥/5♦ - Strong NT [15 - 17] Can have 5cM
1♣ may be short (2+); 1♦ usually 4+
Jump Shift is Strong (17+)
Weak 2 openings ♥/♠/♦ - with honours in the suit
Strong artificial 2♣ showing 22+ HCP
2NT - Openings balanced 20-21 HCP, may have a 5cM.
Competitive decisions based on Law of Total Tricks
Openers jump rebid (1♣ - 1♥ - 3♣ e.g.) is 17-20 HCP ♠ 6+
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
2♣ / 2♦ response to a 1♣ or 1♦ opening is inverted and forcing.
2♦ response to a 1♣ opening is game forcing.
2NT responses to a 1♥/1♠ opening is Jacoby
4♣ / 4♦ responses to a 1♥/1♠ opening is Splinter.
If Ops o/call our 1NT Opener with 2♣ our DBL is Stayman
1NT response to a 1♥/1♠ opening is forcing - but not 1♦/1♣
2♣ Stayman (promises one 4cM unless inviting 3NT).
Fourth Suit Forcing (game forcing)
Texas Transfers - Smolen - Minor Suit Stayman
Fit jumps by passed hand
New Minor Forcing (one-way)
Runout after double of 1NT (XX = ask p to bid 2♣)
Roman Key Card Blackwood (0314); DOPI vs interference
Reverse Drury (one-way) - Not used with interference
Strong jump shifts (Soloway) by unpassed hand.
Two-way game tries after single raise of major
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
IMPORTANT NOTES
(An extra +3 is added for voids, 2 for singletons, 1 for doubletons)
(Short suits containing an honour are reduced by 1 point).

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		2	4♥	11-14 bal, 18-19 bal or natural	Suits 6+ points, 4+ Card Suit	Change of Suit is Forcing.	1♣-2♣ inverted minor
					1NT 6-10 points and usually denies a Major		
1♦		4	4♥	11-14 bal, 18-19 bal or natural	Suits 5+ points, 4+ Card Suit	Change of Suit is Forcing.	
					1NT 6-10 points and usually denies a Major		
1♥		5	4♦	10-21 with a 5 Card Suit	Direct Support 8-9, (through 1nt lower end of the raise) Jac 2NT		Fit Jumps, 2NT 4 card support
					1♠ shows a four card spade suit and 5+ points		Cue of ops suit shows 3 card sup
1♠		5	4♦	10-21 with a 5 Card Suit	Direct Support, Jac 2NT		Fit Jumps, 2NT 4 card support
							Cue of ops suit shows 3 card sup
INT				15-17 balanced – or Semi Bal	Stayman, Transfers, Gerber, 3 Level Slam Interest	Super Accept if 17 points with 4 card support	
					2♠ transfer to ♣ ; 3♣ to ♦	Texas Transfers 1NT > 4♦ is ♥ / 4♥ is ♠	
2♣	X			23+ points or 3 losers (Forcing)	2♦ Waiting bid. Other bids natural, positive hand.		
2♦				weak			
2♥		5		Weak		Natural	
2♠		5		Weak		Natural	
2NT				20 – 21 BAL - May have 5cM	Stayman, Transfers, 4NT Quantitative		
3♣	(6) / 7			Weak			
3♦	(6) / 7			Weak			
3♥	(6) / 7			Weak			
3♠	(6) / 7			Weak			
3NT				Running Minor no side A or K	4♣ is pass or correct		
4♣	(7) / 8			Pre-emptive			
4♦	(7) / 8			Pre-emptive			
4♥	6+			Pre-emptive to play	4NT = RKCB Asking Aces		
4♠	6+			Pre-emptive to play	4NT = RKCB Asking Aces		
4NT	X	5 / 5		Both Minors 5 / 5			
5♣	(7) / 9			Pre-emptive – With no defence		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
5♦	(7) / 9			Pre-emptive – With no defence			
5♥	(7) / 9			Pre-emptive – With no defence		RKCB (03/14) - ♦ Shows 1 or 4 and ♣ Shows 3 or 0	
5♠	(7) / 9			Pre-emptive – With no defence		KING ASK reverts to B/WOOD – Showing how many Kings minus K of Trumps	
						Cue bidding 1st round controls, before 2nd round	
						4♣ response to 1NT is Gerber	
						DOPI	