DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

## OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: $1 / 2$ Level; Reopening)

 Natural, can be light at one-level.Facing 1M: cue $=3$-card raise, 2 NT (not over pass) $=4 \mathrm{~T}$ raise. Three of opener's suit $=$ mixed raise. New suit forcing opposite two or three-level overcall

INT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
15-18 responses as opener R/O 11-15 with 2C range ENQ.

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Intermediate (exception: weak when opponents bid strongly)
2 D over $1 \mathrm{C}=55 \mathrm{M}$

Reopen: intermediate
DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
$1 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{C}=$ natural, $1 \mathrm{C}-3 \mathrm{C}=5 \mathrm{D} 5 \mathrm{~S}$
2D/M cue $=$ Michaels

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
Dble (strong NT and by PH) $=5 \mathrm{~m} 4 \mathrm{M}$ (except $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{NV}$ opening) Dble $($ weak NT $)=$ PEN

## $2 \mathrm{C}=$ majors

$2 \mathrm{D}=$ one major
$2 \mathrm{M}=5 \mathrm{M} 4 \mathrm{~m}$

## VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)

Dble for take-out
Leaping Michaels NF

## VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. $1 *$ or 2*

Dble $=$ majors
$1 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ reds

## OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Transfers after 1M from 1NT (also over double of our 1M overcall) Im-(x)-2NT = weak raise
$1 \mathrm{H}-(\mathrm{x})-2 \mathrm{~S}$ and $1 \mathrm{~S}-(\mathrm{x})-3 \mathrm{H}=$ weak raise, $3 \mathrm{M}=$ mixed raise

## EADS AND SIGNALS

| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Lead | In Partner's Suit |  |  |
| Suit | 3RD \& LOW | same |  |  |
| NT | 4TH (2ND) | 3RD \& LOW (or ATT) |  |  |
| Subsquent | Can be ATT | same |  |  |
| Other: K for CT vs game and doubled contracts (exception: possible Bath <br> position) |  |  |  |  |
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| LEADS |  |  |  |  |
| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |  |  |
| Ace | AK+ | AK |  |  |
| King | KQ, AK bare, AK | KQ, AKJ10 |  |  |
| Queen | Denies the King | QJ, KQ109 |  |  |
| Jack | Denies the Queen | same |  |  |
| 10 | Denies the Jack | same |  |  |
| 9 | 9x | J98, Q98 |  |  |
| Hi-X | Top of doubleton <br> Third from even | Second from small cards and <br> sometimes from the 10 |  |  |
| Lo-X | Lowest from an odd number <br> of cards | Lowest from Hxx <br> Fourth from H to length |  |  |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

| Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1 High encourage | High even | Low encourage |
| Suit 2 High even | SP | High even |
| 3 SP |  | SP |
| 1 ditto | Smith | ditto |
| NT 2 ditto | High even | ditto |
| 3 ditto | SP | ditto |

Signals (including Trumps):

## SP in trumps <br> Reverse Smith: peter by both sides to suggest a shift <br> DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
Standard, typically tolerance for all unbid suits
Equal length conversion shows some extras

## SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

support double to 2C
responsive
game-try
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## CATEGORY: GREEN

NCBO: ENGLAND
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## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

5-card majors, 1C can be two, 1D can also be balanced
2/1 FG
15-17 opening 1NT

| SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE |
| :--- |
| 2D NV $=$ MM weak or 22/24 balanced |
| 2D V $=$ bad weak 2 M or $22 / 24$ balanced |
|  |
| $2 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{NV}=\mathrm{Mm}$ weak $5 / 4+$ |
| $2 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{V}=6 \mathrm{M} 8-11$ |
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| Weak $=$ less than an opening bid, $0-10$ depending on position and <br> vulnerability. |

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Transfers after 1M-(dble) and also 1M overcall

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## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

## IMPORTANT NOTES

PSYCHICS:


