| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING | LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | WBF Convention Card | | |
| OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, ½ Level, Reopening) | | OPENING LE | ADS AN | D SIGNA | ALS | A A | | |
| Style: Usually good suit, lead directing, can be 4 carder at 1L | Lead In Partners' suit | | | In | Partners' suit | Category: 1 | | |
| Responses: raise weaker, cue bid onwards transfers, new suit | Suit 3rd from even, lowest 3rd from even | | | 3rd fr | om even, lowest | NBO (Country): INDIA/USA | | |
| below cue bid is forcing by unpassed hand | from odd from odd | | | | | | | |
| Reopening:/Maybe 4 carder | NT 2/4th best 2/4th or T/L from 3 | | | 2/4tł | n or T/L from 3 | Event: ONLINE EVENTS 2021 (4/21) | | |
| | Subseq 3/5 | | | 3/5 | Players: G. Venkatesh & Anil Padhye | | | |
| 1NT OVERCALL (2 nd /4 th Live; Responses, Reopening) | Other: Standard Honor Leads Standard Honor leads | | d Honor leads | | | | | |
| 2 nd position: 15 to 18 | | | | | | SYSTEM SUMMARY | | |
| Responses: nSystems ON | | L | E A D S | | | Std Am, Strong 2C and 2/1 Game Force | | |
| | Lead | vs. Suit | | | vs. NT | GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE: | | |
| 4th position: 10 to 14 points | Ace | AKx (ATT) | | UB or C | Count | 5 Card Majors, Semi Forcing NT | | |
| Responses: 2C is Range Ask, 2D/2H transfers | King | AKx(for Count) o | or KQx | AKx or | KQx for ATT | Minor opening 3+. Open 4-4 in Minors with 1D | | |
| | Queen | QJx | | QJx or I | KQ109 | 2C opening is Game forcing | | |
| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, Unusual NT) | Jack | J10, AJ10, KJ10 | | J10x or AJ10 or KJ10 | | 2H/2S is weak. 2D is MULTI (can be 19-21 4441) | | |
| Style: Weak (except over a preempt) | 10 | H109, 109x, 10x | | + | r 109x or 10x | 2NT is 20-21 BAL. No 5 card Major | | |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 9 9x | | H98x or 98x or 9x | | 1M - 2C is ART GF. | | | |
| Responses: 2NT is ASKING | 8 | 8x | | 8x | | 1M - 1X;2C is Gazilli F1R. 1m - 1X;2C is APTEX. F1R | | |
| Unusual notrump: Lowest unbid suits | | | | | 1NT opening: 14+ to 18- HCP, 5-card Majors Frequent | | | |
| | | | | | | 2 over 1 Response:Game forcing | | |
| Reopening: 2H/2S is INT 12 - 15 pts, 6 carder | SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | | | | SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE | | |
| | Partner's Lead Declarer's Lead Discarding | | | | Discarding | Openings: | | |
| DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style, Resp., Reopening) | Suit: 1ST | ATT | 5 | SP | ATT | 1C - 2D, 1D - 3C Mixed Raise | | |
| Style: Michaels two suiter. Leaping and non Leaping Michaels | 2^{ND} | SP | 5 | SP | SP | 1m - 2M: 6M 5 - 7 points. Can have 4 minor | | |
| Split Range based on Vul | 3 RD | CT | A | TT | CT | 1H - 2S; 1S - 3C; 1S - 3H: Mini/Midi SPL | | |
| Responses: | NT: 1 ST | ATT | Sr | nith | ATT | 1M (X) Xfer | | |
| Reopening: Same | 2 ND | SP | | SP | SP | 2M (X) XX Forces 2M+1 | | |
| | 3 RD | CT | | TT | CT | LEBENSOHL & RUBENSOHL in many situations | | |
| VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH) | Upside down ATT & COUNT, Std Present Count, | | | | | 3NT preempt in minor in 1st and 2nd seat. To Play in 3rd/4th | | |
| Strong & Weak: HAMILTON vs Strong/Weak NT | STANDAI | RD SMITH Vs. NT: | : | | | 1M - 2C; can be short | | |
| DBL = Values, suggesting Penalty 2C = both M 2D = Single suiter Major | STD SMIT | TH in Trumps | | | | 1M - 1NT and 1H - 1S; 2C can be short | | |
| Reopening: SAME | | DC | OUBLES | 5 | | 1M - 2NT is Nat 12 - 14 with atleast xx in BM | | |
| Passed Hand:SAME except DBL shows Minor/Major | | | | | | SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES | | |
| 1 3 | TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style, Responses, Reopening) | | | | | PASS is forcing in GF auctions and when the hand belongs to us | | |
| VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles, Cue-bids, Jumps, NT bids) | | | | | | Multiple uses for 4NT in high level competition | | |
| Double for take out. Lebensohl/Rubensohl over Weak 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Jump overcalls strong hand good suit | Responses: Jump in suit with better than minimum | | | | | | | |
| Leaping & Non Leaping Micheals | Reopening: could be light | | | | | IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DOESN'T FIT ELSEWHERI | | |
| - · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | | HAMILTON over 1NT overcall by Opponents | | |
| | SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES | | | | TIVE DOUBLES | Good Bad 2NT | | |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS | Responsive doubles | | | | | 2-Way minors (2C/2D) after 1 level rebids (upto 1NT). ReTransfers after 2NT jump rebid | | |
| vs strong 14: X = Majors and 1NT = Minors | | Support doubles Save suggesting (bid on) Doubles | | | | Fit showing Jump bids by Passed Hand, and in Competition. Frequent use of Transfers and RELAYS. | | |

| OVER | OPPONENTS? | TAKE | OUT DO | HIRLE |
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1 Level bids are forcing, 2 level bids transfers after 1M

Psychics: Rare

| Opening | Artificial | Min. | Neg. Double | Description | Response | Subsequent Auction | Passed Hand Bidding | |
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| 1* | No | 3 | 3S | Usually natural but may be 4-3-3-3 good 11-21 | 1D can be 3. Single raise forcing to 3C, Double raise constructive5-7, 2D = Mixed Raise 8-10. 2H/2S = 6BM 5-7, 1NT 8-10, 2NT 13-15, 3NT 16-17. 3D/3H/3S Splinter | Rebid of 2C is Forcing. Can be 12 - 14 with 6 Cs, 15 -17 shapely hands or 18 - 21 GF hands | Inverted Minor raise. Fit bids. | |
| 1 • | No | 3 | 3S | Usually natural but may be 4-4-3-2 or 4=5 in minors(in min range). Good 11-21 | Single raise forcing to 3D, Double raise constructive 5-7, 2H/2S = 6BM 5-7, 1NT 6-10, 2NT 11-12, 3NT 16-17. 3C = Mixed Raise 8-10, 3H/3S/4C Splinter | Rebid of 2C is Forcing. Can be 12 - 14 with both minors, 15 -17 shapely hands or 18 - 21 GF hands | SAME AS ABOVE. | |
| 1♥ | No | 5 | 3S | Natural good 11-21 | 1NT SF, 2H: 6-9 3+ card, 3C Limit, 2NT Bal 12 -14, 2C = GF RELAY, 2S = Mini/Midi SPL,3D = Mixed, 3H = Prempt 3S =void splinter, RKC, 2/1 Game force. 2C can be short. Xfers after T.O. DBL | Long & Short Suit Game Tries. RELAY responses to 2C and follow on | 2-Way Drury. Re bid shows minimum hand. Fit Bids | |
| 1 🛦 | No | 5 | 3Н | Natural good 11-21 | 1NT SF, 2S: 6-9 3+ card, 3D Limit, 2NT Bal 12 -14, 2C = GF RELAY, 3C/3H = Mini/Midi SPL,3D = Limit, 3S = Mixed Raise3NT =void splinter, RKC, 2/1 Game force. 2C can be short. Xfers after DBL | Long & Short Suit Game Tries. RELAY responses to 2C and follow on | 2-Way Drury. Re bid shows minimum hand. Fit Bids | |
| 1NT | No | | | 14+-18- points, may be off shape. 5 or 6 card minor or major possible. | 2C Stayman (does not guarantee 4 card major), 2D/2H transfers, 2S/2NT transfers to C/D, 3C GF+ Minors, 3D Slammish Majors, 3H 3=1-5-4 3S 1=3-5- 4, 4D/4H Jacoby Transfers. 4S/4NT Quanti | 3C after 2C is Pattern asking, SMOLEN After Minor suit transfer new suit is shortness if Opener accepts. If opener rejects then swapped 4 card suits. | | |
| 2. | Yes | 0 | No | Game forcing opening | 2D is with one K or two Qs, 2H is negative. 2S responses are 5+ cards headed by KJ10 or better (2NT = C, 3C = D and 3D = H and 3H = 6H + 4S. 6+cards. 8+ points | After 2C-2D, Opener rebids 2H with H or balanced hands, 2NT = C and 3C = D 3D=5+ Ds & 4 Cs, 3H/S = 3 suiter with short other M. | | |
| 2◆ | No | 5 | No | MULTI. 5-7 with Weak 2 in H or S. Or 19 -21 with 4441 (any SPL) | 2H/2S/3H/3S/4H are Pass/Correct.2NT shows values. 3C/3D shows own H//S and 4D/4S shows own C/D | Opener P/C or shows SPL and strong/weak hand | | |
| 2♥ | No | 5 | No | 8 - 10 points | 2NT is RELAY, New suit is forcing. Raise is NF, 4C is MKC. RDBL over a T.O. Double forces 2S | Response to 2NT is Hand type | | |
| 24 | No | 5 | No | 8 - 10 points | 2NT is RELAY, New suit is forcing. Raise is NF, 4C is MKC. RDBL over a T.O. Double forces 2NT | Response to 2NT is Hand type | | |
| 2NT | No | | | 20-21 points. No 5 card Major | 3C is Stayman, 3D/3H is Transfer, SMOLEN, 3S is Puppet to 3NT to play or for minor(s), 4D/4H is Transfer 4S/NT is Quanti | 3S is Puppet to 3NT. Responder shows single or two minor hands | | |
| 3.4 | No | 6+ | No | Pre-emptive, rule of 2, 3 and 4 | Raise is non forcing. New Suit F1R, 4D is MKC | | | |

| 3♦ | No | 6+ | No | Pre-emptive, rule of 2, 3 or 4 | Raise is non forcin | g. New Suit F1R, 4C is MKC | | | |
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| 3♥ | No | 7 | No | Pre-emptive, rule of 2, 3 and 4. | Raise is non forcing. New Suit F1R, 4C is MKC | | | | |
| 3♠ | No | 7 | No | Pre-emptive, rule of 2, 3 and 4. | Raise is non forcin | g. New Suit F1R, 4C is MKC | | | |
| 3NT | Yes | | No | 1st or 2nd seat = Minor Preempt. 3rd seat = GAMBLING 4th seat = To Play | 4C after 1st, 2nd o | r 3rd seat is Pass/Correct | | | |
| 4. | Yes | 8/9 | No | NAMYAT (Hearts) | Intermediate suit b | ids to show Key cards | | | |
| 4♦ | Yes | 8/9 | No | NAMYAT (Spades) | Intermediate suit b | ids to show Key cards | | | |
| 4♥ | No | 7/8 | No | PREEMPTIVE, rule of 2, 3 or 4 | | | | | |
| 4 🏠 | No | 7/8 | No | PREEMPTIVE, rule of 2, 3 or 4 | | | | | |
| 4NT | Yes | | No | SPECIFIC ACE ASK | 5C = 0, 5D/H/S/6C = Specific Ace 5NT = Two | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING | | | |
| 5* | No | 8 | No | PREEMPTIVE | | After minor suit is established, in certain sequences, bid of | | | |
| 5♦ | No | 8 | No | PREEMPTIVE | | SPLINTER by unlimited hand is RKC. | | | |
| 5♥ | No | 8 | No | invites small slam/grand slam with 1/2 top honours | | After major suit is established, 4BM+1 is RKC. Responses to RKC 1403 except for C where it is 0314. D0P1 responses after intervention below 5 Trump suit. Then DEPO. | | | |
| 5♠ | No | 8 | No | invites small slam/grand slam with 1/2 top honours | | DUAL KEY CARD BLACKWOOD, MODIFIED KEY CARD BLACKWOOD after partner preempts, EXCLUSION KEY CARD BLACKWOOD, Void RKC, Dual Void RKC, 5NT PICK- | | | |
| 5NT | | | | SPECIFIC KING ASK | C = 0, 5D/H/S/NT = Specific King | A-SLAM, SPLINTER KEY CARD ASK, FORCING PASS, PASS & PULL. Response to EKC is 0314. High Level Doubles depend on hand ownership. Can be forward going or regressive. | | | |
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