SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty☐ _____

Negative■ thru 4h

Responsive■ : thru 4h Maximal■

Support: Dbl.☐ thru _____ Redbl☐

Card-showing■ Min. Offshape T/O☐

No support doubles - they are T/O!

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 17 HCP (usually)

often 4 cards☐ very light style■

Responses

New Suit: Forcing☐ NFConst■ NF☐

Jump Raise: Forcing☐ Inv.☐ Weak■

Jump to 3x is Forcing, no fit jump

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong☐ Intermediate☐ Weak■

OPENING PREEMPTS

	Sound	Light	Very Light
3/4-bids	☐	■	☐

Conv./Resp. _____

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER:	Minor	Major
Natural	☐	☐
Strong T/O	☐	☐
Michaels	■	■

LeapMich.; 4♣= 5om + 5Mj; 4♦=Mjs

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on■

Conv.☐ _____

Balancing: 10 to 14

Jump to 2NT: Minors☐ 2 Lowest■

Conv.■ 18-19 balancing

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs:	Strong	Weak
2♣	Majors	same
2♦	One long Mj	
2♥	Nat + min	
2♠	Nat + min	
Dbl:	Pen=direct S	Pen all seats

Other 2NT= mins, Meckwell as p/h

X = 5min + 4Maj in bal seat

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level■ 2 level☐

Jump Shift: Forcing☐ Inv.☐ Weak■

Redouble implies no fit■

2NT Over	Limit+	Limit	Weak
Majors	■	☐	☐
Minors	☐	☐	■

Other flip-flop, TRF same if M overc

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout■ thru 4H Penalty☐

Conv. Takeout: 4NT over 4S opening

Lebensohl 2NT Response■

Other: _____

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber■: 4NT: Blackwood☐ RKC☐ 1430■

vs Interference: DOPI■ DEPO☐ Level: _____ ROPI■

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
x x	x(x)x **x**	**x x**	**x**(x)x x
x(x)**x**	x(x)x **x** x	**x**(x)x	x(x)x **x** x
A K x	**T** 9 x	(A)**K** J x	A **Q** J x
K Q x	K **J** T x	A **J** T 9	A **T** 9 x
Q J x	K **T** 9 x	**K** Q J x	(K)**Q** T 9
J T 9	Q **T** 9 x	**Q** J T x	Q **T** 9 x
K Q T 9		**J** T 9 x	**T** 9 x x

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best	vs SUITS☐	vs NT■
3rd/5th Best	vs SUITS■	vs NT☐
		Attitude vs NT☐

K is power

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude☐ Count■ Suit preference☐

DEFENSIVE CARDING

	vs SUITS	vs NT
Standard:	☐	☐
Except ☐		
Upside-Down:		
count	■	■
attitude	■	■

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal	☐	☐
Odd/Even	■	■
	☐	☐

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo	☐	☐
Trump Suit Pref.	■	
Foster Echo	☐	☐

SPECIAL CARDING ☐ **PLEASE ASK**

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GENERAL APPROACH

Two Over One: Game Forcing■ Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid☐

VERY LIGHT: Openings☐ 3rd Hand■ Overcalls■ Preempts☐

FORCING OPENING: 1♣☐ 2♣■ Natural 2 Bids☐ Other☐ _____

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 14+ to 17

to

5-card Major common☐

System on over X, 2♣

2♣ Stayman■ Puppet☐

2♦ Transfer to ♥■

Forcing Stayman☐

2♥ Transfer to ♠■

2♠ Size or ♣

2NT Puppet Stayman

3♣ ♦

3♦ GF mins

3♥ Splinter 5/4min

3♠ Splinter, 5/4min

4♦, 4♥ Transfer■

Smolen■

Lebensohl■ (Slow denies)

Neg. Double■: _____

Other: TrF lehben., rvrs baze

2NT 20 to 21

Puppet Stayman■

Transfer Responses:

Jacoby■ Texas■

3♠ MSS; gia puppet texas - slam try

3NT _____ to _____

Gambling

Conventional NT Openings

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length	4	5
1st/2nd	☐	■
3rd/4th	☐	■

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force☐ Inv.☐ Weak■

After Overcall: Force☐ Inv.☐ Weak■

Conv. Raise: 2NT■ 3NT☐ Splinter■

Other: 2NT= inv 3/4 cards; 3M-1= GF+sing;*

1NT: Forcing☐ Semi-forcing☐

2NT: Forcing■ Inv.☐ _____ to _____

3NT: ♠=good to 1-4 bid

Drury■: Reverse■ 2-Way■ Fit☐

Other: *3M-2=mixed

Void splinters, 1♥-3♠=good 1-4

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length	4	3	NF 0–2	Conv.
1♣	☐	☐	■	☐
1♦	■	☐	☐	☐

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force☐ Inv.■ Weak☐

After Overcall: Force☐ Inv.☐ Weak■

Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor☐

Simple raise■ Other: 1♣-2♣=GF

Frequently bypass 4+♦ ☐ 1♦-3♣=GF

1NT/1♣ 8 to 10 (11)

2NT Forcing☐ Inv.■ 11+ to 12

3NT: 12+ to 15

Other 1♣-2♦=inv ♣; 1♦-3♦=nat inv

	DESCRIBE	RESPONSES/REBIDS
2♣ 22+ to _____ HCP Strong■ Other ☐ 2♦ Resp: Neg☐ Waiting■	GF unless 2NT rebid	NewSuit:8+hcp,2Honors, Kokish - inverted
2♦ 4/6 to 9/10 HCP Natural: Weak■ Intermediate☐ Strong☐ Conv.☐		2NT Force■ New Suit NF☐
2♥ 4/6 to 9/10 HCP Natural: Weak■ Intermediate☐ Strong☐ Conv.☐		2♠ asks, 2NT= Hs 2NT Force■ New Suit NF☐
2♠ 4/6 to 9/10 HCP Natural: Weak■ Intermediate☐ Strong☐ Conv.☐		2NT Force■ New Suit NF☐

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing:☐ 2-Way NMF■ no XYZ

Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp.■ Not in Comp. ■ Trf void splinter, 1M - 4M-1 good 4M

4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd.☐ Game■ Trf after overcall 1m with a suit (Om invert)

2NT always support for M in comp; 4NT mins or fit <cuebid in comp;LMH short

Trf after michaels,1h-2nt-4h spade void;1♥ - 2♠ = 6-9 6♠; fit jump BPH

4NT slowdown w/o competition; Gazzilli; 1st step slow down after reverse

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