


DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
1 level – 8 – 17 varies with vul/position
2 Level – 10 – 17 varies with vul/position
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
14-18 2 nd seat and 10-15 in 4th
System on over any INT (including protective)
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Jump overcalls – Weak
Unusual 2NT – Lowest 2 suits (Ghestem)
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Cue = Ghestem (1x-2x = Highest + lowest)
1M-2M = OM +clubs; 1♣-2♦ = Majors; 1♦/♥/♠ – 3♣ highest suits
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
2♣ = ♦'s or both Majors
2♦ = ♥'s or 4+♠'s & 5+ minor
2♥ = 4+♥'s & 5+minor
2♠ = ♠'s
Dbl pen
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Dbl = T.O; NT strong balanced
Leaping Michaels – 4m shows minor and OM (nf)
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
dble=Majors; 1NT = minors.
2♥/2♠ = weak; 3♣ = pre-empt clubs.
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
2NT = good raise; rdbl = values, if Major 2M-1/2M max/min raise
Bids natural, 1RF

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	2/4	2/4	
NT	2/4	2/4	
Subseq	2/4	2/4	
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	Att (Ax, AK)	Att (Ax, AK)	
King	Count (AK, KQ)	Count (AK, KQ)	
Queen	Att (KQ or QJ or AQJT) QJT	Att (KQ or QJ or AQJT) QJT	
Jack	AJT, KJT, JTx	AJT, KJT, JTx	
10	HT9x, T9x, Tx	HT9x, T9x, Tx	
9	H98x, 98x, 9x	H98x, 98x, 9x	
Hi-X	Even	Even	
Lo-X	Odd	Odd	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Count (Hi/Lo=Even)	Count (Hi/Lo=Even)	Count (Hi/Lo=Even)
Suit 2	Suit pref	Suit pref	Suit pref
3			
1	Count (Hi/Lo=Even)	Count (Hi/Lo=Even)	Count (Hi/Lo=Even)
NT 2	Suit pref	Suit pref	Suit pref
3			
Signals (including Trumps):			
On partner's lead of A or Q, low encourages			
Hi-lo in trumps 3 trumps looking for ruff			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
Up to 4♦			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
Support Dble/Redouble			

CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: Natural
NCBO: Ireland
PLAYERS: Terry Walsh & Peter Goodman

SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
5-card Majors; 1♣ is 2+; 1♦ normally unbalanced; 15-17 NT; 2♣ 23-24 bal or GF; 2♦♣ Pre-empt; 2♥/♠ (6 card, weak); 2/1GF; 3♣ minors weak
Transfers over our 1♣ opening
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
2♦ = ♣ pre-empt
3♣ = minors, weak
2♣/♦ XY relay over opener's NT type rebids (see below)
Support dbl and redbl
2NT in competition – normally conventional
Transfers over our 1♣ opening
Bergin style over 1L-Major opening
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
Over GF sequence Pass Forcing
IMPORTANT NOTES
X/Y Relay (over weak NT type rebids):
2♣ Forces 2♦ then bids inv,
2♦ game forcing relay
2♥/♠ natural
2NT 6 card in other minor
3L GF good suits
PSYCHICS:

