



### SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: **Penalty**  \_\_\_\_\_  
 Negative  thru 4H  
 Responsive  : thru 4H Maximal   
**Support: Dbl.**  thru -->2 trpRedbl   
 Card-showing  Min. Offshape T/O

### NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

**Direct:** 15 to 18 Systems on   
**Conv.**  \_\_\_\_\_  
**Balancing:** 11+ to 17  
 Jump to 2NT: Minors  2Lowest   
**Conv.**  2C = Range Ask

NAMES Compton/Goodman

### GENERAL APPROACH

2/1  
**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

### 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   
 JQ=Mixed Transfers/Neg Xs

### JUMP OVERCALL

**Strong**  **Intermediate**  **Weak**   
 NSNF; 2D/1C = Majors

### OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light  
 3/4-bids     
 Conv./Resp. NSNF

### DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major  
 Natural    
 Strong T/O    
 Michaels    
 2C/1C nat; 1x-P-1y-2x nat; 2D/1D=M

### DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: Weak 15 Strong  
 2♣ Majors C+M  
 2♦ -->Hearts D+M  
 2♥ -->Spades NAT  
 2♠ 4 spade + m NAT  
 Dbl: **Penalty** 1m or 2M or S  
 Other 2NT=4 hearts + m  
 Don't BPH and Balancing

### 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 Trf/1M-X

### VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout  thru 4H **Penalty**   
 Conv. Takeout: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lebensohl 2NT Response   
 Other: leaping michaels

### NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT  
14 to 17 VUL  
15 to 17 VUL  
 5-card Major common   
 System on over X, 2C  
 2♣ Stayman  Puppet   
 2♦ Transfer to ♥  4♦, 4♥ Transfer   
 Forcing Stayman  Smolen   
 2♥ Transfer to ♠  Lebensohl (fast denies)   
 2♠ -->3C/range ask Neg. Double   
 2NT -->3D or 5-5 m Other: Transfer Leb XX->1 min

### 2NT 19 (20) to 20 (21)

Puppet Stayman   
**Transfer Responses:**  
 Jacoby  Texas   
 3♠ MSS: criss-cross minors

3NT \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gambling, 1 A or K

### Conventional NT Openings

### MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5  
 1st/2nd 2S/1H=6-9    
 3rd/4th

#### RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 After Overcall: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 Conv. Raise: 2NT  3NT  Splinter   
 Other: Mixed in Comp: 3x+1,2,3 utl v  
 1NT: Forcing  Semi-forcing   
 2NT: Forcing  Inv.  \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 3NT: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drury : Reverse  2-Way  Fit   
 Other: fit JS BPH; 3C/1S=hearts invite; 3D/1S=dia inv; 3C/1M=invite

### MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv.  
 1♣      
 1♦

#### RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 After Overcall: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor   
 Other: single raise  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Frequently bypass 4+♦   
 1NT/1♣ 8 to 10  
 2NT Forcing  Inv.  \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 3NT: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**SLAM CONVENTIONS** Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood  RKC  1430   
 Kickback, Minorwood

/X P=no control, Exclusion, R1step, P 2nd step, bid 3rd step if EX X  
 vs Interference: DOPI  DEPO  Level: 5 of our suit 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)**  
 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

### Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude  Count  Suit preference

### DEFENSIVE CARDING

vs SUITS vs NT  
 Standard:    
 Except   
 Lavinthal rare

Upside-Down:  
 count    
 attitude

#### FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal    
 Odd/Even

#### OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo    
 Trump Suit Pref.    
 Foster Echo

### SPECIAL CARDING

### PLEASE ASK