

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
Negative thru 74
Responsive thru 35 Maximal
Support: Dbl thru 23 Redbl
Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 6 to 5 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak

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

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber 4NT: Blackwood RKCB 1430
0314

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
xx	xxxx	xx	xxxx
xxx	xxxxx	xxx	xxxxx
AKx	T9x	AKJx	AQJx
KQx	KJT ^o x	AJT9	AT9x
QJx	KT ^o 9x	KQJx	KQT9
JT9	QT ^o 9x	QJT ^o x	QT9x
KQT9	T9x	JT9x	T9xx

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

SPECIAL CARDING **PLEASE ASK**

2 way Stayman (2c/2d)

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv.
Balancing: 10 to 15
Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
Conv.

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: _____
2♣ _____
2♦ _____
2♥ _____
2♠ _____
Dbl: _____
Other: _____

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: 2c(3/2d/4)

VS Opening Preempts Double is

Takeout thru _____ Penalty
Conv. Takeout: _____
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other: _____

DEFENSIVE CARDING

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

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo
Trump Suit Pref.
Foster Echo

NAMES

GENERAL APPROACH

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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 16 12 3c(wh)
15 to 17 3d → 3D
5-card Major common 3♥ 3c(wh)
System on over 3♠ 3c(wh)
2♣ Stayman Puppet
2♦ Transfer to 4♦ 4♥ Transfer
Forcing Stayman Smolen
2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl (fast) denies
2♠ → MSS (Neg. Double: 3c(wh))
2NT → 3c Other: _____

2NT 19 to 21
Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby Texas
3♠ → 3N
Minor Eye
3NT 19 to 21
3c(wh)
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: _____

1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
2NT: Forcing Inv. to _____
3NT: 13 to 15
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
Other: 3c(3LR) 3d(4LR)
3m; 1 weak

MINOR OPENING

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

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
Single Raise Other: _____

Frequently bypass 4+
1NT/1♣: 10 to 10
2NT: Forcing Inv. to _____
3NT: 11 to _____
Other: 1+ 2N (LR+)

DESCRIBE

RESPONSES/REBIDS

2♣ _____ to _____ HCP
Strong Other
2♦ Resp: Neg Waiting
2♦ 11 to 13 HCP
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
2♥ 5 to 10 HCP
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
2♠ _____ to _____ HCP
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
2NT Force New Suit NF

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF

Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp.
4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game

2c(3,6-9) 3c(club)
2d(4,6-9) 3d(Diamond)
2N(10-12)