

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty _____
 Negative thru 4H Thru 3H
 Responsive : thru 4H Maximal
 Support: Dbl thru 2M Redbl
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
4th Suit Double

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 18 HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style

Responses

New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
Jump 2 = Mixed Raise 4T 29

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
 3/4-bids
 Conv./Resp.
4 Cheaps = minor = 30v Mors Key

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels
2NT Spine Game Int 30P6

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
Speck Key
 vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: _____ ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
xx	xxxxx	xx	xxxxx
xxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx
A Kx	T 9x	A KJx	A QJx
K Qx	K JTx	A JT9	A T9x
Q Jx	K T9x	K QJx	K QT9
J T9	Q T9x	Q JTx	Q T9x
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

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 17 Systems on
 Conv. 15 to 17 Systems on
 Balancing: 10 to 16
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
10-13 14-16

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: 14+ 13 or less
 2♣ C+Major Major vs
 2♦ D+Major H
 2♥ S S
 2♠ S 45+minor
 Dbl: m or 2M Penalty
 Other: 2NT 4H+minor
MECKWELL

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: Level = 7-9 3T Raise

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru _____ Penalty
 Conv. Takeout: _____
 Lebensohl 2NT Response
 Other: Weak Double P/Hand

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

NAMESSutherland - GerstromSept 13**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 _____
Except in Comp

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

14x 1NT to 17
 to _____
 5-card Major common
 System on over X, 2C
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ Transfer to ♥
 2♥ Transfer to ♠
 2♠ TC or NT Inv.
 2NT → D/D etc

3♣ 5-5 C+D Inv
 3♦ " " F
 3♥ 3-1 (54+6-3)
 3♠ 1-3 C/D "

2♦, 4♥ Transfer
 Smolen and 10/10/10/10
 Lebensohl (____ denies)
 Neg. Double : 2+3 level
 Other: _____

2NT _____ to _____
 Puppet Stayman
 Transfer Responses:
 Jacoby Texas
 3♠ _____

3NT Combino 3NT 1-2
" " + 3/4

Conventional NT Openings
XX → 2C/Penalty X

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 13+
 Other: 7-13 1T

1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
 2NT: Forcing Inv. _____ to _____
 3NT: _____ to _____
 Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
 Other: Natural Inv.

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: 2/3 Other (minor)
 Single raise Other: F

Frequently bypass 4+♦
 1NT/1♣ 6 to 10
 2NT Forcing Inv. 13 to 15
 3NT: 16 to 17 4333
 Other: 3C Inv

DESCRIBE**RESPONSES/REBIDS**

2♣ _____ to _____ HCP
 Strong Other
 2♦ Resp: Neg Waiting

2♦ 5 to 11 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF

2♥ 5 to 11 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF

2♠ 5 to 11 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 TOTO CRASH vs B/B/C+2C
Fit Rem's Pass Hand Non-Serious 3D Non-11/10/11/11/11/11
11/11/11 vs 11/11/11 C=H D=S

SPECIAL CARDING**PLEASE ASK**