

| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING |
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| OVERCALLS (Style; Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening) |
| Standard, 5 card, may be 4 card in suitable hand at 1 level. |
| New suit F1 by unpassed hand, NF by passed hand |
| UCB response = 3+ raise, 9+HCP |
| Fit jumps in competitive auction, esp after passed hand |
| Jump to game = to play |
| INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening) |
| 15-18, responses as opening 1NT |
| 4 th position reopen 11-15, responses as opening 1NT, |
| Sandwich NT = 15-18, responses as opening 1NT |
| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT) |
| NV= weak, less than 12HCP 6cd suit |
| VUL= intermediate (approx. 11/16) |
| UNT shows 5/5 lowest 2 unbid suits |
| Reopen: Intermediate to strong (11+) |
| Reopen 2NT in protective seat = 18/21, system on per 2NT opener |
| DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen) |
| As above, (1m)-2m, 5/5+ Ms, (1M)-2M 2 suited, (other M + minor) |
| UCB shows quality raise |
| VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening:PH) |
| 2C= Majors. 2D response=same length, |
| 2D=6 cd major, 2H pass/correct |
| 2H=5H and 4+m, 2NT enquiry |
| 2S = 5S and 4+m, 2NT enquiry |
| 2NT=both minors |
| VS.PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids) |
| X=takeout |
| Over 4M : 4NT 2 places to play |
| Cue bid = 2 suited |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣ |
| Vs strong 1C – 2C is natural |
| OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE |
| XX=10+ penalty interest, New Suit F1, Jump in new suit=fit jump, Jump raise=pre-emptive level of fit, 2NT 10+HCP good raise |

| LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | |
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| OPENING LEADS STYLE | | | |
| | Lead | In Partner's Suit | |
| Suit | 2 nd and 4 th | 2 nd and 4 th | |
| NT | 2 nd and 4 th , top of sequence | 2 nd and 4 th | |
| Subseq | | | |
| Other: Xx unusual | | | |
| LEADS | | | |
| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT | |
| Ace | AK for Reverse attitude | same | |
| King | KQx or AK for count | same, or for unblock | |
| Queen | QJx or KQ for Reverse att | same | |
| Jack | KJT _x (x), JT _x J _x or J | same | |
| 10 | K/QT9+, T9x, Tx or T | same | |
| 9 | T9xx, 9x or 9 | same | |
| Hi-X | Xx, XXxx, | same | |
| Lo-X | 4 th from Hxxx | same | |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | | |
| | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| 1 | A or Q, rev att | Count if relevant | Rev attitude |
| Suit 2 | K, std count | | |
| 3 | Count if table wins | | |
| 1 | A or Q, rev att | Count if relevant | Rev attitude |
| NT 2 | K, std count | | |
| 3 | Count if table wins | | |
| Signals (including Trumps): Reverse Attitude, Standard Count | | | |
| Suit preference where useful | | | |
| DOUBLES | | | |
| TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening) | | | |
| Strong, or shape suitable | | | |
| Lebensohl after X of weak 2 opener (FASS) - 2NT bid, forces 3C; 3NT shows stop in opp bid suit | | | |
| Protective reopening X may be light | | | |
| Most low level Xs = takeout | | | |
| SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS | | | |
| Negative doubles through 4D | | | |
| Responsive doubles through 3S | | | |
| Penalty doubles of all opps opening NT bids | | | |
| Double of a conventional bid shows that suit | | | |
| Double then bid a suit is strong | | | |

| W B F CONVENTION CARD |
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| CATEGORY: i.e. Green / |
| NCBO: Scotland |
| PLAYERS: Amanda Douglas 16532 |
| Katharine Bailey 12759 |
| 2024 |
| SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |
| ACOL |
| 4cd H, 5 cd S |
| 1NT 11-14NV; (11)12-14 |
| Weak 2s in D,H,S (5-10HCP) |
| 2/1 response forces to 2 of opener's suit |
| Over opp short 1C: 2C nat, 2D shows majors |
| SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE |
| Gambling 3NT = solid minor (12HCP max in 1 st or 2 nd seats) |
| After X of 1NT, XX shows 5 card suit, suit bid shows lowest 4cd |
| Lebensohl FASS (Fast Arrival Shows A Stop) – bid thru 2NT is weaker direct bid or looks for a stopper in oppo suit. Applies after: |
| - 1NT (interference) - |
| - (Weak 2) Dble (Pass) - |
| SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| IMPORTANT NOTES |
| 1NT – 2C does not promise a 4 card major |
| PSYCHICS: very rare |

| OPENING | TICK IF ARTIFICIAL | MIN. NO. OF CARDS | NEG.DBL THRU | | | | |
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| | | | | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1♣ | | 3 | 4D | Natural 15+HCP if balanced Open 1C with 44minors | Limit raises 1NT response= 6-9HCP | 1NT 15-17, 2C= ask about Ms Jump rebid 2NT = 18-19 | Fit jumps by passed hand |
| 1♦ | | 4 | 4D | | 2over1 change of suit= 9+HCP | 2NT after 2over1 = 15-19 | |
| | | | | 10+ Nat | 2NT response= 15+, 4cnds in P's suit | Checkback stayman 2/3C – asking for 5 of bid suit or 4 of other M | |
| 1♥ | | 4 | 4D | Open 1H 44Majors | 3NT response= 12-15 Balanced, 4cnds in P's suit Splinter = 10-14 or V strong | 1M-4M to play 1m-4m= Minorwood, RKB responses 1430 (only in uncontested auction) | |
| 1♠ | | 5 | 4D | Open 1m with 4S4m | | | |
| INT | | | 4D | 2+cards in all suits | Non Promissory Stayman, 4 suit transfers 4C=Gerber | Major suit t/f brks to 4 card suit with max Minor suit t/f brk – in between bid is stronger | |
| 2♣ | Yes | | | Strong, GF, 18+ | 2D=relay, 2H/S 5+cd suit with 2 Hons 2NT= 8/10 balanced, 3m good suit | New suit= strong with 2 of top 3 Honours | |
| 2♦ | | 6(5) | | Weak 5-10 | Change of suit F1, Game bid to play 2NT asks for HC feature if non-min | | |
| 2♥ | | 6(5) | | Weak 5-10 | As for 2D opener | | |
| 2♠ | | 6(5) | | Weak 5-10 | As for 2D opener | | |
| 2NT | | | | (19)20-22 | 5 card Puppet Stayman, M transfers, 3S minor suit stayman (5/5), 3NT to play, 4C=Gerber | 2NT-3C-3D=1/2 4cdMs;3M=5cnds,3NT=noM 2NT-3C-3D-3M=4OM,4D=both Ms | |
| 3♣ | | 7(6) | | Natural pre emptive 0-9HCP | Change of suit= nat F1 except 3M-4m is cue bid | | |
| 3♦ | | 7(6) | | | As for 3C opener | | |
| 3♥ | | 7(6) | | | As for 3C opener | | |
| 3♠ | | 7(6) | | | As for 3C opener | | |
| 3NT | Yes | 7 | | Gambling, solid minor AKQ (max 12HCP in 1 st /2 nd) | 4C= Pass or correct | | |
| 4♣ | | 7 | | Natural, Pre emptive | Change of suit =cue bid, except 4M to play | | |
| 4♦ | | 7 | | | As for 4C opener | | |
| 4♥ | | 7 | | | As for 4C opener | | |
| 4♠ | | 7 | | | | | |
| 4NT | | | | | | | |
| 5♣ | | 7 | | Natural, pre emptive | | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING | |
| 5♦ | | 7 | | Natural, pre emptive | | RKCB 1430 = 1/4;3/0;2 without Q; 2 with Q | |
| 5♥ | | | | | | 5NT = King ask, or bid Grand | |
| 5♠ | | | | | | Gerber over 1NT, 4D=0/4; 4H=1; 4S=2; 4NT=3 | |
| | | | | | | Gerber over 2NT, as for 1NT responses | |
| | | | | | | Minorwood – responses as RKB 1430 | |