



World Bridge Federation

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening)
Natural 6-15, seldom 4-card, Drury promises fit (ex.: 1♣ op.),
1-level: new suit = F1, 2-level: new suit = NF, new suit jump: w/FIT
Responses: PRE raises, high CUE & jump to 2NT=SUPP, INV+ In Bal Position: Jump INTERM
Reopening: may be weaker - CUE forcing
T/O DBL: 12+
1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)
Over 1♠: meaning and resp.same as 1NT op. (ex: DBL pos)
4th live: meaning and resp same as 1NT op. (ex: DBL pos)
Against NAT 1♦/♥/♠ 5+om -4OM
4th Position: 11-14, doesn't promise stopper
1x-1NT(nat)-DBL(pen)-PASS=forcing
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
1-Suited: PRE but Sound, almost always 6 cards,
2-Suited: Michaels, 2NT – minors, 4-level bids – STR
Responses: 2NT ASK
Reopen: 2NT 19-21, others INTERM
DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)
(1♠)-2♣ NAT; (1M)-2M: OM+m (55+); (1M)-2NT: 5♦-5♣
1♦-2♦: 5♠-5♥; 1♦-2NT: 5♥-5♣
2NT ask, other BID=NAT/NF;
jump cue bid – solid suit
VS. NT (Vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)
DBL – 4+♠-4+other, 2♣: 4+♥-4+ m or 5+♥-5+♠ weak
2♦/♥/♠: transfers (2♠ - for any minor – good hand)
Reopening: DBL 9+HCP,
2♣ - 4+ - 4+(♦♥♠); 2♦ - 4+♥-5+♠ (♠ are longer)
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)
LEAPING MICHAELS
LEBENSOHL over T/O DBL of 2 openings.
Jumps NAT CONST
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS
After 1♣STR: dbl=♥, 1♦=♠, 1♥=♣ or ♦, 1♠=♣ or ♥, 1NT=♣ or ♥
Pass might be strong
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE
RDBL 10+ HCP, PEN oriented, TRANSFERS: 1♣/♦-DBL/1♦/♥/♠/NT
A jump to 2NT = limit raise of opener's suit
1M – DBL – jump is NAT w/fit, 1M –DBL – 1NT: transfer to ♣
1♦ – DBL – 2M is natural w/ fit♦, NF

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DOUBLES																											
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)																											
12+ HCP emphasize major(s), minors unclear; 16+ any																											
Over passed partner – 8+HCP, take out																											
Over 1♣ op. 1♦ RESP. – NEG																											
SPECIAL; ARTIFICIAL; COMPETITIVE DUBLES/REDOUBLES																											
Negative DBL's																											
Maximum overcall DBL's																											
Lightner DBL's																											
Responsive DBL's																											
Invitational DBL's																											
Reopening is almost mandatory with the right distribution																											
RDBL – usually strong except in obvious SOS situations																											
2♦ - x -xx = ASK																											

WBF Convention Card

System	RED
Conventions:	
NCBO:	LITHUANIA
Event:	All
Players:	Boguslaw GIERULSKI - Jerzy SKRZYPCZAK
SYSTEM SUMMARY	
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE	
Multi-way 1♠: 11-14 BAL, 19+ any or NAT UNBAL	
5-M and diamonds (except unbalanced w/ 4♦);	
Artificial 2 weak openings (including two-suiters);	
Many jump responses ART; 1M RESP may be canape (WK)	
Frequent use of NON-PEN DBL and ART 2NT in COMP	
1NT Openings: (14)15-17 HCP BAL;5M,6m or 5/4 or singl -possible	
2 OVER 1 Responses: F1R	
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE	
1♠ - multi-way and	
responses: 1♦ - 0-6 any or 7-11 UNBAL minors	
1M – 4+♥/♠ 7+ HCP may be WK canape	
2♦ minimulti (weak 2M)	
2♥ (♥-m) - weak 5-5(4) two suiter:	
2♠ (♠-m) - weak 5-5(4) two suiter:	
2NT (♣-♦) - weak 5-5 two suiter:	
two suiter at level 4 against weak 2 level op.	
two suiter 1NT overcall 1♦/♥/♠ op.)	
GAMBLING 3NT, without side stops	
2♣ - 2NT multi-way response (may be WK w/ fit)	
Michaels, Lebensohl	
4♣ : 7+very good ♥;8-9 triks	
4♦ : 7+ very good♠;8-9 triks	
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
In obvious situations	
IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE	
1♣ -PASS-2♠ - transfer for 3 NT, 1♣-PASS-2♥: transfer for 2NT	
Against NAT 1♦ overcall - 2♥/♠ =S/O	
Over passed partner- take out double – may be weaker	
Psychics: Rare	
3rd hand openings may be weaker, sometimes 4-card suit	

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. N° OF CARDS	NEG. DBL THRU	OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS			
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	√	0	4♥	11-14 BAL or 15-18 NAT or 19+ any	1♦ 0-6 any or 7-11 minor(s); 1/2/3 NT LIMIT; 2♣/♦: FG; 3♣/♦ 9-11 6+ NAT; 2♠: TRF to 3 NT 1♥/♠ 7+ NAT F1, possible 4M/5+m w/ WK (7-15); 2♥ 10-12HCP,transf. to NT; 2♠:13-17 bal, no 4+M	1♣-1♦-1♥/♠ 3+; 1♣-1♥/♠-2♦=FG; 1♣-1♥/♠-2♣ F1 15+ 1♣-1♥/♠-2♦-ART FG; 1♣-1♥/♠-1♠/NT-2♣ transf.♦ 1♣-1♦-1NT=18-21 BAL/2♦=FG/2NT=22-24 BAL/2M/3m= =STR NF; 1♣-1♦-1♥-2♠:(5+4+m) 9-11	Mostly same
1♦		4	4♥	10-21 5+♦ or 4♦(4441) or 10-14 4♦-5♣	3♦:PREE; 3♣:fit♦+limit; 2♣: FG;2♥/♠:6-11,M5(4)5 1♥/♠ NAT F1, possible 4M/5+m w/ WK (7-13);	1♦-2♦-2♥/♠ - stoppers; 1♦-2♣-2/3NT = 4441 WK/STR 1♦-1♥/♠-NT-2♣ =transf.♦, 2♦=GF; 1♦-1♥/1♠-2NT: FG	2♥/♠/3♣ NAT w/ fit♦
1♥		5	4♦	10-18, 5+♥	2NT INV+ w/fit; 3♣/♦INV with fit; 3♥ weak; 3♠-splinter, 3NT- splinter♦; 4♦ -bilans to 4♥	1♥-2♣/♦-2♥/♠- 2NT/3♥= ASK/STR,1♥-DBL-?transfers 1♥-2♣-2♦-4♦= fit & S/S ♥, 1♥-DBL-2♠ =	2♣ - Drury
1♠		5	4♦	10-18; 5+♠	2NT INV+ w/fit; 3♣/♦ NAT with fit; 3♠ weak; 3NT -singleton♥ ; 4♥ - bilans to 4♠	1♠-2♣/♦/♥-2♦/♥/♠- 2NT/3♠- ASK/STR,1♠-2♥- 3♥:NF 1♠-2♣-2♦-4♦ fit & S/S ♠; 1♠-DBL-?transfers	2♣ - Drury
1NT			2♠	15(14+)-17 BAL (6m, 5M, 54 possible)	NF STAYM, JTB, 2♠=transfer for ♣; 3♣= transfer for ♦;3♦-nat inv;3♥/♠ S/S (5431) 5/4+m	1NT- 2♣-2♦-2♥/♠ NF; 1NT- 2♣-2♥/♠ - 3♦/♥ - STR. 1NT- 2♣--2♥/♠ - 3♥/♠ - INV;1NT-2♣-2♦-3♦:5+4M,FG	
2♣	√	5	4♥	10-14(15); 6+ ♣ or 5+ ♣ AND 4M	2♦ (R); 2NT – WK w/ fit or INV 5♥-5♠ or GF ; 3♣ INV; 3♦/♥/♠ INV; 2♥/♠ NF	2♣-2NT-3♣(obligatory)-3♦:55M's, 3M:FG, 3NT:FG with♦ 2♣-2M-3♦ INV w/ fit	
2♦	√	0	2♠	5-10; 6(5)+ ♥/♠	2NT – ask; 3♦ - INV; 3♥ - weak w/ M's fit; 3♣= FR1	2♦-2♠-2NT(♥)-3♣/♠ NAT NF	
2♥	√	5	3♦	5-10; 5+♥ - 5+♣/♦(4m)	2NT ask for other, 3♦ - INV; 2♠ - to suit, 3♣ NAT NF	2♥-2NT-3♣ – 4♣ STR, 3♥ S/O, 3♣ CUE	
2♠	√	5	3♦	5-10; 5+♠- 5(4)+♣/♦	2NT ask for m, 3♦ - INV; 3♣/♥ NAT NF	similar as above	
2NT	√			5-10; 5+♣-5+♦	3M asks for a fit; 3/4m NF	2NT-3M-1 st x, 2 nd xx, 3 rd Hx; 4 th xxx, 5 th Hxx 2NT-3M-3♠/NT- 4m STR	
3♣				PRE NAT 6+	3♦ ask for a singleton, 3M asks for a fit	similar as above ex after 1 st level response 4♣ to pass	
3♦				PRE NAT 6+	4♣ ask for a singleton, 3M asks for a fit	similar as above ex after 1 st level response 4♦ to pass	
3♥/♠				PRE NAT 6+	Natural or cue bid	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
3NT	√			1st /2nd m w/o stopper 3rd/ 4th to play	4♣ = PASS or correct 4♦ ask for a singleton; 4M to play	Splinter bids Cue bid – economic 3NT by opener shows extra values without shortness (w/ M's agreed) 4/5NT RKCB (0-3,1-4,2, 2+Q, 2 +Q+1K ...) in obvious situations (after CUE, impossible suit agreement directly) After Aces trump Q first Gerber, Josephine	
4♣	√	0		solid ♥ ca 8-9 playing tricks	4♦ - positive		
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4♥/♠				PRE NAT 6+			
4NT	√			Ask for specific aces	5NT two		