



DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING		LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening)		OPENING LEADS STYLE			
1-level=4-cards; 2NT=T/O for lower 2 unbid		Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Jump RAISE=PRE; Jump cue to opponent's suit = mixed		Suit	4th and second highest	high from 3 if supported, low if not	
New suit JUMP=F1; TRANSFER ADVANCES THRU 1N		NT	4th and 2nd	high from 3 if supported, low if not	Category: Natural - GREEN
		Subseq	4th and low		Country: USA
		Other: occasional suit preference leads			Event: ALL EVENTS
		Vs NT, K asks CT/UB; A and Q asks ATT			Players: Jim Mahaffey - Barnett Shenkin
1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)		LEADS			SYSTEM SUMMARY
15-18, System On		Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
EXCAPING FROM 1NT DOUBLED: RX forces 2C, then bid 5-card suit		Ace	AK(+)	asks attitude	1C, 1D 3+; 1N resp F over 1S, semi-F over 1H; 5-card M except 3rd
bids show that suit and a higher suit		King	KQ(+)	asks count/UB	1D-2H=either balanced NT or strong Hs, FG
		Queen	QJ(+)	asks attitude	1M-3C ART
		Jack	J1(0+)	honor J10(+) or J10(+)	Frequent WJO NV
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)		10	109(+)	honor 10(+) or 109(+)	Open light
1-Suit: weak NV; intermediate Vul		9	to of sequence of doubleton	to of sequence of doubleton	Multi 2D; 2H= hearts and another; 2S=spades and a minor
2-Suit: 2N lowest 2 unbid, Michaels		Hi-x	even	even	1NT Openings: 15-17
		Lo-x	odd	odd	2 OVER 1 Responses: F/1S; semi-F/1H
Reopen: intermediate		SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE
DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)			Partners Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Michaels		Suit: 1st	Hi/lo=E		Hi/lo=E
(1D/1H/1S)-3D/3H/3S ask stopper		2nd	Hi/lo=E or S/P		
		3rd			
		NT: 1st	Hi/lo=E	Smith at 1st trick	
VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)		2nd	Hi/lo=E		
Vs STRONG (14+): X=one minor, both majors, or good hand with Ss		3rd	S/P		
2C=Cs + M; 2D=Ds + M; 2H=Hs; 2S=Ss		Signals (including Trumps): occasional S/P			
VS WEAK: X=open oriented; 2C=Ms; 2D=one M; 2H= Hs + m; 2S= Ss + m		hi/lo for ruff			
2N by advancer F1					
		DOUBLES			
		TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)		EQUAL LEVEL CONVERSION			
Over Multi and 2H/2S: 4C and 4D show m and OM		RESP DBL after M thru 4m			
		TRF Responses after opponents double			
					SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS		SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES			
Over 1C: X for M; NT for m; WJO		NEG DBL THRU 4S			
		1C-(1D)-DBL: 4+-cards in both Ms			
		1m-(1S)-DBL suggests 4+H, 8+ HCP			IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE
		MAX DBL			
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE		SUPP DBL THRU 2H			
TRF advances					
1D-(X)-3D=mixed; 1S-(X)-3H=mixed					Psychics:
2N=limit+					

OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS							
Opening	Artificial	Min.	Neg Dble thru	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1C		3	4S	10-23 HCP, always with 3-3m	1D=NAT, could be 3; 2C=INV; 2D/H/S/N=FG	2-way checkback	Fit-showing jumps
					3C=mixed; 3D/H/S PRE	after 2N rebid, 3C F3D (could be sign off), 3D=a M	2N=limit
1D		3	4S	10-23 HCP, 3 if 4-4-3-2	2C=FG; 2D=INV; 2H=strong J/S or limit 2N	2-way checkback	Fit-showing jumps
					2S=SJS; 2N=FG; 3C=INV 6 Cs; 3D=mixed; 3HM=PRE	after 2N rebid, as over 1C	2N=limit
1H		5	4S	10-23, could be 4 in 3rd seat	1N=semi-F; 2C/2D/2S FG; 2N=NAT, FG	after 1H-3C: 3D=min, 3H=non-min, 3S=better hand	2C-3-card Drury; 2D=4-card Drury
					3C=Strong, 4 Hs; 3D=INV, 6 Hs; 3H=mixed	3N=6-card suit; 4-level show 5-5	Fit-showing jumps
					3S=SPL 9-12; 3N=S SPL, 12+ HCP; 4C/4D SPL	1M-2N-3C asks M support	2N=INV with 6 Cs
1S		5	4H	10-23,	1N=F1; 2C/2D/2H=FG; 2N FG BAL; 3C=FG 4 Ss	after 1S-3C same as over 1H	2C-3-card Drury; 2D=4-card Drury
					3D/3H=INV, 6-card suit; 3S=mixed; 3N=mini SPL	1M-2N-3C asks M support	Fit-showing jumps
					4-level SPL		2N=INV with 6 Cs
1NT			4D	15-17; may have 5-card M	2C=STAY; 2D/2H/2S/2N=TRF	creeping Stayman; Smolen	
					3C=m INV; 3D=m FG; 3H/3S=sing; 4D/4H TEXAS		
2C	Y		N	STR, ART, FG afgter 2D	2D=FG; 2H=Dbl Neg; 2S=Positive; 2N= H positive	Stayman and TRF after NT rebid	
					3C/3D NAT, Positive, 3H/3S=one-loser suit		
					3N=any solid suit		
2D	Y		N	6-card M (sometimes 5)	2H/2S=P/C mild interest; 2N=INV(+)	2D-2N-3C=minimum, 3D=good 2H opener,	
				6 to 10.5 HCP, could 4-card side	3C/3D=NAT, F1; 3H/3S/4H=P/C; 3N to play	3H=good 2S opener; 3S=min 6-4M; 3N=MAX 6-4	
					4C asks opener to bid one-under, 4D asks bit suit		
2H		5+ 5+		5+ Hs, 5+ other, 5-10.5 HCP	2S=P/C; 2N=aks other suit, INV; 3C=P/C		
					3D=INV Hs; 3H=PRE; 3S=NAT, INV		
2S		5+ 5+ m		5-10.5 HCP	2N=F1, INV; 3C=P/C; 3D=INV Ss; 3H=F Hs		
					3S=PRE (DBL = PEN if opps interfere)		
2NT				19.5-21.5	Stayman, TRF, 3S forces 3N for minor(s)	after 3N: 4C/4D NAT, 4H/4S both ms, longer corr.	
3C		6		varies by vulnerability	4D=modified RKC		
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3H		6		varies by vulnerability	4C=modified RKC		
3S		6		varies by vulnerability	4C=modified RKC		
3NT				4-bid in a minor	4C/4D=P/C		
4C		6		NAMYATS Hs	next step shows slam interest		
4D		6		NAMYATS Ss	next step shows slam interest		
4H		6		weaker than 4C			
4S		6		weaker than 4D			
HIGH LEVEL BIDDING							
RKC: 0-3, 1-4, 2 without, 2 with							
Exclusion (RKC responses)							
occasional 4m may be RKC							
5N GSF							
Gerber over NT only							
DOPI thru 5 of our trump suit; DEPO above							