# DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

**OVERCALLS** - General style: *Natural.*

Responses  *other suit: forcing except 2/1,*

*Jump: nat + fit, Cue = force.*

IN THE REOPENING POSITION: *7-11H*

Responses *cue-bid forcing*

## TAKE-OUT DOUBLE - general style *12+H except two suiter*

Responses : *cue-bid forcing, jump 8-10; 1NT 7-10*

IN THE REOPENING POSITION *8+H*

*Responses cue-bid forcing*

**1NT OVERCALL** 2nd pos. *15-18, Stayman, Texas.*

4th pos: *10-16, Stayman, Texas.*

**JUMP OVERCALL: *Weak***

*Interm: 2♦*

**2NT OVERCALL** *5+/5+ the 2 lowest*

Responses *3th suit: naturel no forcing; cue-bid forcing*

**DIRECT CUE-BID** Style *5+/5+ with the highest*

*and another*

Responses *2NT asks second suit*

**VS. NT (strong and weak)**

*2♣ Landy (4/3 major); 2♦ Multi, 2♥/♠ Two Suiters.*

**VS. 2♥/♠weak**

*4♣/4♦: two suiter ♣/♦ and other maj. cue-bid: 5+/4+ minor*

**VS. 2♦ multi**

*D: double with balanced hand(12-15 or 19 and more)*

**VS. 1♣ strong**

*Double: strong unbalanced - 1♦:5 cards maj. - 1♥/1♠/1NT: CRM.*

*2X: Natural, weak - 2NT:pre-empt undef. - 3X: Natural, good hand.*

### OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE-OUT DOUBLE

*Truscott (inverted on minor)*

*RD: 10+H (penalty oriented) - 2 on 1 no forcing*

**LEADS AND SIGNALS**

OPENING LEADS: ⚫ SUIT Attitude; 3th, 5th

*First from 3 touching H.*

⚫ NT*- Idem*

*King’s lead: 3 Honors*

SUBSEQUENT LEADS

*call with low cards - count*

Openings leads vs. No-Trumps

*Leads against suit contracts if different*

**A**K - **A**Kx - **A**KJx - A**K**J10x - **AQ**Jx - AJ**xx**

KJxx**x** - Kxxx**x**x - -K**Q** - K**Q**x - K**Qxx** - KQ**J**x

K**J**10x - Kx**x** - Kx**xx** - Kxxx**x** - Q**J** - Q**J**x

**Q**J109 - K**Q**10x - **K**Q109x - Qx**x** - Qx**xx**

Q**10**9x - J**10** - J**10**x - **J**1098 - K**J**109 - K**10**98

**J**x**x**  - Jx**xx** - Jxxx**x**  - **10**x - 10**9** - 10**9**x 9**8**x

**10xx**  - 10**x**xx - 10x**x**xx - **x**x - **xx**x - x**x**xx -

xx**x**xx – xx**x**xxx – Top in partner suiter

SIGNAL WHEN FOLLOWING SUIT OR DISCARD

1=ODD No. OF CARDS - 2=EVEN No OF CARDS

D=DISCOURAGING - E=ENCOURAGING - S=SUIT PREF

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | CARDS | HIGH | LOW | ODD | EVEN |
| SU | on partner | 2orD | 1orE |  |  |
| **IT** | on declarer | 2orD | 1orE |  |  |
|  | discarding |  |  | E | S |
| **NT** | on partner | D | E |  |  |
|  | on declarer | 2 | 1 |  |  |
|  | discarding |  |  | E | S |

SIGNALS IN NO-TRUMP:

Smith + (high cards)

**CONVENTION CARD**

*Players: Country:*

**DEWASME Isabelle BELGIUM**

**KURGAN Daniel**

##### SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE: Natural.

***5 cards major***

***4 cards diamond*** *except NV in 1st and 2d pos.*

*with 15-17 pts, can be 2 cards.*

***Variable 1 NT*** *: a) 9-11 in 1st and 2d pos. if NV.*

*b) 12-14 in 1st and 2d pos. if V/V;*

*in 3rd pos. if NV/V.*

*c) 13-15 in 4th pos.*

*d) 15-17 in 1st, 2d and 3rd pos. if V/NV;*

*in 3rd pos. V/V and NV/NV*

***2♣*** *: strong*

***2♦, 2♥ and 2♠:*** *multis (depending on the position)*

###### SPECIAL OPENING BIDS AND RESP.

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| OPENINGS | DESCRIPTION |
| *2♣* | *Game forcing or 22-23 bal.* |
| *2♦* | *Multi (see inside)* |
| *2♥* | *Multi (see inside)* |
| *2♠* | *Multi (see inside)* |
| *3NT* | *Gambling* |
| *4 ♣/ 4♦* | *Solid ♥ /♠* |

**SPECIAL COMPETITIVE BIDS:**

*Truscott over majors*

*Inverted Truscott over minors*

*over 1NT : 2♣ Landy (min. 4/3 in the majors)*

*2♦ Multi, 2♥/♠ Two Suiters.*

*Michaëls two suiters*

*Double cue bid: Solid minor asks stopper.*

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND

COMPETITIVE DOUBLES

Spoutnik virtually unlimited; Lightners against slams.

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| **OPEN** | **CARD** | **AR**  **TIFI**  **CAL** | **DESCRIPTION** | **NEG**  **DBL**  **THRU** | **RESPONSES** | **SUBSEQUENT AUCTION** | **MODIFICATION**  **OV. COMPETITION**  **AND ON 3rd/4th** |
| 1 ♣ | *2* |  | *11-22* | *4♥* | *Walsh (♥/♠ can mask ♦)* | *1♣/1♦/1NT can mask ♥ or/and ♠* | *1♣, D, RD: 10+H* |
|  |  |  |  |  | *2♣: 4+Cl, 8+ pts if 1st,2nd V/V; 3rd NV/V, 4th.* | *2♣, 2♦: Check-Back after 1♣ - 1X -1NT* | *penalty oriented* |
|  |  |  |  |  | *2NT/3♣/3♦: pre-empt if can mask strong NT* | *Rosenkranz (1♣ - 1maj 2maj 2NT)* |  |
| 1 ♦ | *4 (3)* |  | *11-22* | *3♠* | *1♥/♠ could be (rare) 3 cards.* | *1♦- 2♣-2♦: can be 4 cards , 12H* | *1♦, D, RD 10+ H* |
|  | *can be2* |  | *15-17 in 1st and 2nd hand if NV* |  | *2♣/2♦: 4+, 8+ pts if 1st, 2nd V/V, NV; 3rdNV;4th.*  *2NT/3♣/3♦: pre-empt if can mask strong NT* | *2♣, 2♦: Check-Back after 1♣ - 1X -1NT* | *penalty oriented* |
| 1♥/♠ | *5 (4)* |  | *10-22* | *3♠/4♥* | *2maj: fit 6-9, 3 cards* | *over 2NT:* | *on opening in 3rd/4th:* |
|  |  |  |  |  | *3maj: fit 4 cards: weak* | *3♣: min + short suit / 3♦: min no short s.* | *2♣/ Drury* |
|  |  |  |  |  | *2NT: fit forcing game* | *3♥ : 15-19 balanced / 3♠ : 15-18 + short* | *2 ♠ 3♣/♦: natural + fit* |
|  |  |  |  |  | *4♣ / 4♦/ 3NT: Splinter* | *3NT: 18+not. bal. (forcing to 5 in maj)* | *2NT: Raise whit short.* |
| 1 NT |  |  | *9-17 (follow position and vulnerability* | *3♠* | *2♣ Stayman (can be weak and without major)* | *2♠ after Stayman: Relay for distribution and strength.* | *Rubensohl*  *Redouble S.O.S.* |
|  |  |  |  |  | *2♦/♥: Transfer (2♦ can be 0 cards in ♥)*  *4♣ : 5/5 min. 4♦: 5/5 maj*  *After weak NT:2♠Asking for strength or strong with ♣. 2NT both minors or strong with ♦* | *Smolen* |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | *. 3X: weak.* |  | *Competitive Double* |
| 2 ♣ | *0* | *X* | *Game force or*  *Weak with ♦* |  | *2♦ to play*  *2♥ /2♠ 1RF* | *Natural, possibility 4 cards*  *(2♥ can be Balanced GF).* |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | *2NT Relay* | *Jumps shows 2 or 3 suiters.* |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | *3♦ 7-13 HCP* |  |  |
| 2*♦* | *0* | *X* | *1st// 2nd/3th pos: 2♥ weak or 5♥ + 5min (6-10) or strong undefined ♣ or ♦*  *or 5+/4+ maj. Strong.* | | | *resp.: 2♥ : negative*  *2♠/2NT: relays.* | *After intervention, suit above or Redouble* |
|  |  |  | *3rd/4th strong undefinited or 5+/4+ majors strong* | | | *2♥: neg.. or no bid // other: natural* | *are relays.* |
| 2*♥* | *0* | *X* | *1st// 2nd/3th pos: 2♠ weak or 5♠/5min 6-10 or strong undefined ♥ :strong undefined .* | | | *resp: 2♠ : negative* |  |
|  |  |  |  | | | *2NT: strong, relay* |  |
|  |  |  | *4th pos: 6♥ 10-13* | | |  |  |
| 2*♠* | *0* | *X* | *1st// 2nd/3th pos: strong ♠ Acol or strong 6♠ + 4♥ or 5♣/5♦ weak* | | | *resp: 3♣ : negative // 2NT: relay* |  |
|  |  |  | *4th pos: 6♠ 10-13* | | | *3♥/♠ GF* |  |
| 2NT |  |  | *20(19)-22 balanced* |  | *3♣ Puppet Stayman* |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | *3♦ -->3♥: Texas. 3♠ asks for the minors.* |  |  |
| 3 ♣/3♦ | *7 (6)* |  | *Preempt + in 1st, 2nd* |  | *another suit: forcing* | ***SLAM APPROACH AND*** | ***CONVENTIONS*** |
| 3 ♥/♠ | *7 6)* |  | *preempt* |  | *another suit: forcing* |  |  |
| 3 NT |  | *x* | *Gambling* |  | *4 ♦: forcing asking for short.* | *Roman Key cards Blackwood* | *DOPI after intervention* |
| 4 ♣ | *0* | *x* | *solid ♥* |  | *4 ♦: forcing* | *(5 keys)* | *on Blackwood* |
| 4♦ | *0* | *x* | *solid ♠* |  | *4 ♥: forcing* |  |  |