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| **OVERCALLS AND REOPENINGS** |  | **LEADS AND SIGNALS** | | | | | |  | **W.B.F. CONVENTION CARD** |
| **SUIT BIDS** | **GENERAL LEADING STYLE** | | | | | |  |
| Major : natural ; with 1/1, 2/2 and 3/2 forcing and fit-jumps | General | | Count + attitude | |  | | **CATEGORY : Red** |
| Over Club : 2♣ = 54 majors, 2♦ = good 55 majors | Partner’s suit | | Pure count | |  | |  |
|  | Raised suit | | attitude | |  | | **SCHOOFS Jean-Arnold 1922** |
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|  | Kantar J/10/9 | | | | | |  |
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| **NT BIDS** |  | | | | | | **GENERAL APPROACH** |
| 2nd : 15+-18HCP |  | | NT | | Suit | |
| 4th over minor : 11-14 HCP | A | | AK | | Asks attitude / lavinthal | | Strong Diamond (15+ or 8 tricks or less than 5 losers) |
| 4th over major : (12)13-16 HCP | K | | Strong suit | | AK, asks count | | With less : a) 1♣ if balanced or semi-balanced |
| 4th by passed hand : 2 suits (lower longer) | Q | | QJ10(..) QJ9(..) KQx | | KQ(…) QJ(…) | |  |
| Stayman + Trf over minor ; Trf over major | J | | J109(..) J108(..) AQJ QJx | | J10 (…) | | b) 1♥ up to 2 ♠ if unbalanced, Canapé style |
| **JUMP BIDS** | 10 | | AJ10(..) KJ10(..) 109(..) | | KJ10(…) 109(…) | |  |
| Weak (NV), Intermediate (V) | 9 | | H109 (…) or 9 high | | H109(…) or 9 high | | Many transfers and puppets, some relays |
| Higher ; preemptive | Hi-low | | Even | | Even | |  |
|  | Low-high | | Odd | | Odd | |  |
|  | **Signals in order of priority** | | | | | | **OPENING BIDS, AND COMMON COMPETITIVE BIDS** |
| **CUE-BIDS** |  | Suit | | NT | | discard |  |
| Over ♣ : 54+ majors |  | Low encourages | | Low encourages | | odd encourages | 1♣ 10-14 (semi)balanced ; 18-19 balanced |
| Over ♦ : 55 majors |  | Count | | Smith (small +) | | Count | 1♦ 15+ or 8 tricks or less than 5 losers , any pattern |
| Over major : 55 Other major + m |  | Lavinthal | | Count | |  | 1♥/♠ 10-14, 3-4 cards, unbalanced |
|  |  |  | | Lavinthal | |  | 1NT 10-14, 5+ hearts, unbalanced ; or 22-23 balanced |
| **VS. NT** |  |  | |  | |  | 2♣ 10-14, 5+♠, unbalanced, 0-2 ♥ |
| Double (if strong NT = 14+) : (semi-)3-suiter, short 1 major |  |  | |  | |  | 2♦ 10-14, 6+♣, no 3 + cards major |
| Double (if weak NT = under 14) : strong | **Special signals** | | | | | | 2♥ 10-14, 6+♦, no 3 + cards major |
| Multi-Landy-Muyderberg | Switch through déclarer : 1st ( denies 3 ) or 3rd honor (thru 9) | | | | | | 2♠ 10-14, 55+ minors (no 3 card major ) |
| 4m : strong M-m 2-suiter | Tends to Italian (odd +) on partner’s lead when known to hold length | | | | | | 2NT thru 3♥ transfer (preempt or strong 65) |
|  | **DOUBLES AND REDOUBLES** | | | | | | 3♠ 10-12, any solid suit |
|  | 3NT preempt in a minor |
| **VS. PREEMPTS** | **TAKEOUT DOUBLES AND RESPONSES** | | | | | | 4♣♦ Namyats |
| Weak 2 : T/O Dbl + lebensohl ; cue = minors ; 4m = m+AM | Nonspecific T/O doubles after our 1♦♥♠ openings | | | | | |  |
| Multi : Dbl = 13-15 balanced or very strong | After 1♣ :(1♦)-Dbl = 44+M ; (1♥)-Dbl = 4+♠ ; (1♠)-Dbl = usually 3+♥ | | | | | |  |
|  | Some support doubles | | | | | |  |
| **OVER STRONG CLUB** |  | | | | | | **FORCING OR ARTIFICIAL PASSES** |
| Dbl = 5M ; 1♦ =♦+♠ : 1♥ = ♥+♠ ; 1♠ = ♠+♣ | **MISC. DOUBLES AND REDOUBLES** | | | | | | In game forcing situations |
| 1NT = long minor ; 2♣ = ♣+♥ ; 2♦ = ♦+♥ ; 2NT = ♣+♦ | Rosenkranz redouble (high honor) | | | | | |  |
|  | “Polish” inverted doubles of cue-bids | | | | | | **MISC. IMPORTANT NOTICES** |
| **OVER OPP’S TAKEOUT DOUBLE** | Competitive doubles | | | | | | Short-suit trial bids (if impossible : honor strength in the suit) |
| 1♣-Dbl … 1♦/♥ Trf, 1♠ limited 44+ minors, Rdbl Str w/o 5M | 3 card fit showing doubles | | | | | | Frequent nonforcing free bids |
|  | Cooperative doubles | | | | | | Lot of upgrades or downgrades |
|  | S.O.S redouble | | | | | | **PSYCHICS :** very rare |

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| **Opening bid** | **Artificial ?** | **Min. cards** | **Neg Dbl through** |  | | | |
| **DESCRIPTION** | **RESPONSES, INCLUDING PASSED HAND** | **DEVELOPEMENTS** | **COMPETITIVE BIDDING** |
| 1♣ | X | 2 | 3♠ | 10-14 (semi)-balanced,  any pattern  18-19 HCP balanced | 1 ♦,1 ♥,1 ♠Texas-Walsh (no minimum )  1NT 12 13 HCP balanced ;  2m, 2NT natural G/F  2♥ limit 55 majors ; 2♠ weak or limit55 minor | 1♣-1♦/♥-1♥/♠ = 3 (4 if minimum) ; 1NT = 2  **XYZ modified**  **After other 1-rebid: resp’s suit = G/F**  3rd suit force over 2m rebid | 1-bid F1 ; 2/3 in suit NF  Over (1♦): Dbl = majors  Over (1♥) : 1♠ = usually 44+m  Over (1♥ /♠) : 2/1 NF  Over nonjump : cue/+1/+2 = 5/5 |
| 1♦ | X | - |  | 15+ any pattern or less  than 5 losers | 1♥ 0-9 ; 1♠ 10-12 or 16-18 ;  1NT thru 2♠ natural 13-15 or 19+  2NT/3♦♥♠ : G/F 55  (passed hand : 1♠ 8-10 Trf NT, 1NT/2x nat 8-10) | Over 1♥ : 1♠ = 3+♠ unbalanced ; 1NT 15-17 ;  2♣ = any 19+ ; 2♦ = 3-4 ♥ and 1 or 2 minors 2 ♠ = minors; 2NT = 17-18 long m ; 3m 15-16 | Dbl = 6+, no other bid  New suit G/F except 1 ♠ : ORF  1NT = 7-9, 2NT GF  Cue/+1/+2 = G/F 55 |
| 1♥ |  | 3 or 4 | 3♠ | 10-14 3 or 4 cards, Canapé  Unbalanced | 1♠ 1RF, 3+ ; 1NT relay ; 2♣ strong (♣/♥/NT) ;  2♦ nat G/F ; 2♠ = G/F raise ; 2NT = minors  3y Invite | Over 1♠ : 1NT = 44(14) otherwise 2° suit longer ; | 2 in suit NF |
| 1♠ |  | 3 or 4 | 3♥ | 10-14 3 or 4 cards, Canapé  Unbalanced | 1NT relay ; 2♣ strong (♣/♠/NT) ; 2♦/♥ nat GF  2NT = G/F raise ; 3y Invite | idem | 2 in suit NF |
| 1NT | X |  | 3♠ | 10-14  5+ hearts,, unbalanced  no 3 or 4 spades  OR 22-23 HCP balanced | 2♣ relay ; 2 ♥ non forcing  2♦ = spade preference (in case of 55) or minors 2NT, 3♣, 3♦ Transfers 6+ cards, limit + | Over 2♣ : 2♦ = 55 majors, 2♥ = any other minimum, 2 ♠ + = maximum | Over Dbl : Rdbl Str |
| 2♣ | X | - | 3♥ | 10-14 : 5 + spades,  , 0-2 hearts, unbalanced | 2♦ relay ; 2♥ puppet to 2♠ ; 2♠ mildly encouraging ;  2NT, 3♣, 3♦ Transfers 6+ cards, limit + | Over 2♦ : 2♥ = any minimum  After 2♥ : 2NT/3♣ = minors, better ♦/♣ | Over Dbl : pass = weak misfit  Rdbl = strong, some ♣ |
| 2♦ | X | - | 3♠ | 10-14 : 6 + ♣  unbalanced , no 3+ card major | 2NT only force, relay  3 M Invite | 3 ♣ : minimum ; Others maximum | id |
| 2♥ | X | - | 3♠ | 10-14 : 6 + ♦  unbalanced, no 3+ card major | 2NT only force, relay  3 M Invite | 3 ♦ minimum ; Others maximum | id |
| 2♠ | X | - |  | 10-14  55 + minors , no 3 card major | 2NT only force, relay  3 M Invite | 3 ♣ minimum , Others maximum | id |
| 2NT/3♣/  3♦/3♥ | X | - |  | Transfer  a) normal preempt (weak nv against vul  b) strong 65 around 3 losers | Common sense  New suit = strong 65, G/F  3NT = secondary minor, not absolute G/F | SLAM BIDDING  Cue-bids, 1st/2nd indifferent  Splinter bids, including jump shifts in G/F sequences  5-key BW with relays  “Serious 3NT” over forcing 3M raise  Suitwood in minors (if jump or already set suit) | |
| 3♠ | X | - |  | Any 7 card solid suit  10-12 HCP | 4 ♣ Pass or correct  4 ♦ control ask |
| 3NT | X |  |  | 4-level re-empt in a minor | 4 ♣ Pass or correct ; 4 ♦ Forcing |
| 4♣/♦ | X | - |  | Namyats (strong 4M bid) |  |
| 4♥/♠ |  | 7 |  | Preemptive |  |
| 4NT | X |  |  | Freak in minors |  |

Notice about definitions of openings :

“BALANCED” is any 4333, 4432, 5332

“SEMI-BALANCED” is any 5422, 6322

“UNBALANCED” is all other patterns