

DEFENS. COMPET. BIDDING

OVERCALLS 5+cards 7-17H
Responses cue-bid forcing

IN BAL. POS. 7-13H
Responses cue-bid forcing

TAKE-OUT DOUBLE standard, tends to be 3 suiter.
Responses cue-bid forcing for 1 round
jump 8-10H
1NT 7-11H

IN BAL.POS. 8+H
Responses cue-bid forcing

1NT OVERCALL 2nd 15-18H
4th over a major 10-12H
4th over a minor 12-14H
Responses see 1NT opening

JUMP OVERCALL weak 6 cards
at unfav vuln 10+-14H

DIRECT CUE-BID 2 suiter (highest).
responses cue-bid forcing

VS NT X 2 suits ♠♥, ♠♣ red or black
2♣ Landy = ♥♠, 2♦ = ♦♠ or ♣♥,
2♥♠ Natural
2NT 2 suiter ♠♦ or game forcing.

VS PREEMPT take-out double

VS STRONG 1♣ X 4+♠-4+♥
1NT 4+♦-4+♣

VS FALSE ♦ X take-out

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE
XX : 11+H penalty oriented, 2 NT w fit.

LEADS AND SIGNAL

OPENING LEADS small promising in suit contracts
and in NT

SUBSEQUENT LEADS attitude, count in part suit

LEADS NT SUIT

<u>AK</u>	<u>KQ</u>	<u>QJ</u>	<u>JT</u>	<u>Tx</u>	
<u>AKx</u>	<u>KQx</u>	<u>QJx</u>	<u>JTx</u>	<u>T9</u>	
<u>AKJx</u>	<u>KQxx</u>	<u>QJT9</u>	<u>JT98</u>	<u>T9x</u>	
<u>AKJTx</u>	<u>KQJx</u>	<u>KQTx</u>	<u>KJT9</u>	<u>98x</u>	xx
<u>AQJx</u>	<u>KJTx</u>	<u>KQT9x</u>	<u>KT98</u>		xxx
<u>AJxx</u>	<u>Kxx</u>	<u>Qxx</u>	<u>Jxx</u>	<u>Txx</u>	xxxx
<u>KJxxx</u>	<u>Kxxx</u>	<u>Qxxx</u>	<u>Jxxx</u>	<u>Txxx</u>	xxxxx
<u>Kxxxx</u>	<u>Kxxx</u>	<u>Q T 9x</u>	<u>Jxxx</u>	<u>Txxx</u>	xxxxx

**SIGNAL WHEN FOLLOWING SUIT OR
DISCARDING**

CARDS	HIGH	LOW	ODD	EVEN
Partner's lead	E or 2	D or 1	-	-
Declarer's lead	2	-/1	-	-
Discarding	2	1	E	D (Italian)

OTHER SIGNALS

No Kantar.
Lavinthal on ace, King asks distribution.

**SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE
DOUBLES**

negative
competitive
maximal overcall
responsive
supporting double 1♣ p 1♥ 1♠ X

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

common sense and when vuln
versus non vuln.

CONVENTION CARD

UAE 3

J-M. Bernaert 6473 – M. de Bodt 662
X.Ros 6069 - P.Rebuffat 2305 – M.Bauherz 3736

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

1♣ opening might be 2 cards
Long ♦ (Texas Walsh),
5 cards major (2 over 1 not always auto forcing)
Strong NT 15-17H
2NT 20-21 H

SPECIAL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES

2♣ strongest opening
2♦ Multi, balanced 22-23H or weak two in
either major or ♦2 suiters 20H +
2♥ Ekren – weak in both majors
2♠ w 2 suiter (Muiderberg), 5-4+ NV, 5-5 V
3NT Gambling

SPECIAL COMPETITIVE BIDS

Preemptive raises. 2NT strong raise over major
openings. The concept of 2 NT texas ♣ is applied in
many contested auctions.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Openings and jump overcalls facing a passed hand
and at fav vul might differ from standard (wider range).

PSYCHIC OPENINGS

Rare

OPEN CRD	ARTIF.	DESCRIPTION	NEG DBL THRU	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	MODIFICATIONS OVER COMPETITION AND WITH PASSED PARTNER
PASS 13 1♣ 2 1♦ 4	-	<11H 11-22HL	4♥ 4♥	- Texas Walsh 1♦=♥, 1♥=♠ 3♦/♥/♠ splinter	- XYZ (double deux) Check-back after 1♣-1Maj-2NT	- 2NT after double with a fit.
1♥ 5	-	11-22HL	4♦	1NT forcing 2♥ 8-10S, 3♥ 6-7S 4 cards, 5♥ weak with 5 cards 6-11, 2♣ artificial, 2NT fit 4 cards 11+S 2♠ strong	2NT game try new suit: natural trial bid on 2♣, 2♦ is waiting 3♥ mixed raise	Single raise is weak. Modified Drury. Jump shows good suit +fit. 2/1 non forcing.
1♠ 5	-	11-22HL	4♥	see 1♥	1♥2♥2♠ 4 cards	see 1♥
1NT	-	15-17HL balanced		2♣ stayman (may be weak or 5♠) 2♦/2♥/2♠/3♣ texas ♥/♠/♣/♦ 3♥♠ minor 2 suiter, splinter 4♣♦ major 2 suiter, splinter	2♠ 5 cards limit bid 1NT-2♦/♥-3♥/♠ min 1NT-2♦/♥-2SA 4 card fit 4432	Rubensohl, optional double. 1NT X - forcing to XX & XX is texas ♣.
2♣	-	√ Almost game forcing	-	2♦ forcing relay 2♥/2♠ non forcing relay, max 4 H. 2NT/3♣/♦/♥ texas with 6 cards	2♣-2♦/♥-2NT may include a singleton	X by responder is weak X by opener is take-out pass is forcing
2♦	-	√ 22-23H balanced or weak two in a major or 2 suiter with ♦ 20H +		2♥ is a negative relay 2♠ is preemptive in hearts 2 NT positive relay Preemptive raises	3♣ max	X by responder is for penalty X by opener is take-out
2♥ 4	-	weak major 2 suiter		2NT positive relay	3♣ max	
2♠ 5	-	weak 2 suiter 6-11H 5-4+ NVul, 5-5+ Vul Suit bid + one minor		2NT strong relay, preemptive raises 3♣ to play in the 2 nd suit 3♦ texas, with limit raise or weak or Strong with 6♥		2NT after double : strong raise
2NT	-	20-21H balanced		Puppet stayman – Texas	3♥ and 3NT inverted on puppet	
3♣/♦ 6 3♥/♠ 6 3NT - 4♣/♦ 7 4♥/♠ 7	- - - - -	constructive preemptive gambling preemptive preemptive	- - - - -	new suit forcing, preemptive raises new suit forcing 4♦ forcing, other non forcing 1 suiter ♣/♦ new suit forcing		
4 SA	√	Blackwood				

SLAM APPROACH AND CONVENTIONS

RKCB 41 30 2 2+Q

Raise to 5 of a major asks for the control of a suit or quantitative.

Minor suit overcall on BW : pass=41, X=30, on Major: P02D13

Cue-bid - X, pass = no control, other = single or K, XX = void or A, Italian cue-bid. Splinter. 3NT with two high cards in trump suit.