

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING	LEADS AND SIGNALS			W B F CONVENTION CARD
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)	OPENING LEADS STYLE			CATEGORY: BELGIAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP
Responses :		<i>Lead</i>	<i>In Partner's Suit</i>	last update : 09/16
1 NT = 8-11 HP jump fit not constructive	Suit	odd-even	count	TEAM & DIVISION Phénix 3 II
cue-bid = 1 round force, usually with a fit	NT	same or top of nothing	count	PLAYERS: J. CHABOTIER 511
new suit at same level = 1 round F min/maj NF	Subsequent	attitude		R. ASHLEY 234
	Other: Romanet	vs suit : A asks for attitude	K asks for count	
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)	LEADS			SYSTEM SUMMARY
In 2 nd hand : 2-suit with 5+ card minor and 4card major	Lead	<i>Vs. Suit</i>	<i>Vs. NT</i>	
	Ace	Romanet	no honours sequence	GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
	King	Romanet	any 3- honour sequence	Natural 4-card diamonds 5-card majors 15-17 NT
In reopening position 10-12 (13) HP	Queen	normally from QJx	QJx or KQx or AQJ	2♣ game hand
	Jack	normally from J10x	J10x	2♦ multi
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)	10	denies the J	Kantar	2♥ Muiderberg style (second suit may be ♠)
Ghestem 2-suiters	9	denies the 10	Kantar	2♠ Muiderberg style (second suit may be ♥)
Other jump overcalls : obstruction	Hi-X	even number of cards		3X openings are transfer bids
	Lo-X	odd number of cards		
In reopening position : NF	SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			Walsh
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)		<i>Partner's Lead</i>	<i>Declarer's Lead</i>	SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
Ghestem 2-suiters	Suit 1	italian	count	italian
2♣ over 1♣ natural	2	count		
Jump cue-bid : looking for a stopper	3			
	NT 1	italian	count	italian
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)	2	count		
2 nd hand :	3			
▪ double showing ♣ or Landy	Signals (including Trumps):			Bergen answers when fitting 1 major opening
▪ 2♣ --> 2♥ Texas	echoing with 3 trumps when useful for partner			
▪ 2♠ Muiderberg				trial bid is usually in "need help" suit but doesn't
4 th hand : suit is natural double optional	DOUBLES			warrant a weak spot
Against weak NT double is penalty oriented				
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)	TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
over standard preempts : double is for takeout	Responses : from 8 HP jump with 4 cards double jump with 5 cards			
	cue-bid with game hand or when not sure about suit			
	In reopening position : double ≥ 10 HP			
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣				SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
2♣ on 1♣ is natural	SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
double of 1♣ is for takeout	negative double (Sputnik) up to 4♥			
double of 2♣ suggests defence	opener's fit shown by double or redouble with correct opening and			
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE	3 cards in responder's suit			IMPORTANT NOTES
major openings : keeping Bergen answers	Transfer bids after overcall on 1m (Cachalot)			
minor opening : bid at the 1 level = one round force	1m/1♠/2m = 5 hearts, 6-9H (Rodrigues)			
				PSYCHICS: 3 rd seat openings may be light

OPENING	MIN. No. OF CARDS	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	Modifications over competition and with passed partner
PASS						
1♣	2		2 cards only if 4-4-3-2	Walsh - 2♣ forcing with supporting hand no major	3-step Roudi - 3 rd suit forcing	1♣ (1♦) dbl : 4+cards in ♥
1♦	4		natural	natural - 2♦ forcing with supporting hand no major	3-step Roudi - 3 rd suit forcing	1♣/♦ (1♥) dbl : 4+cards in ♠
1♥/♠	5		natural	with 3 cards support :	on a single raise 2NT by opener	responding over intervention
				- 2♦ either natural, or weak fit < 8 HP	is a trial bid	2NT natural
				- 2♥/♠ 8-10 HP 2♠/3♥ 11-12 HP		cue-bid = fit
				- 2NT game raise with Hxx and no outside good suit		
				with 4 cards support :	on 2 NT answer :	passed partner : 3♣/♦ good
				- double raise : distributional preemptive	• 3♣/♦/(♥) is control with ≥ 15 HP	suit and support for opener
				- 3♣/♦ : artificial limit raise max/min (Bergen)	• 18-19 HP	over takeout double :
				- 2 NT : one round forcing	• others : < 15 HP show distribution	no change in answers
1 NT			balanced 15-17 HP	2♣ Stayman may be weak no 4-card major needed	after Stayman: further relays asking	Lebensohl
			no 5-card major	2♦ --> 2SA transfer bids (Texas)	for opener's distribution	
				4♦ : 5/5 major	new suit after Texas is a trial bid	
2♣		x	• balanced ≥ 24 HP	2♦ : negative 2♥ : 1 red A 2♠ : 1 black A 3NT : 2 A	responder must keep bidding	
			• any game hand	Others : transfer bids (Texas)	up to game level	
2♦		x	• weak 6-card major -not in 4 th seat	2♥ no ambition facing a weak-two 2♠ some ♥ fit	on 2NT :	
			• strong 1-suiter	2NT relay	▪ 3♣/♦ min weak ♥/♠ or strong ♣/♦	
			• balanced 22-23	minor suit natural 1 round force	▪ 3♥/♠ max weak ♠/♥	
2♥	5/4	x	5♥ + ≥4 any other suit ≤ 10 HP	2NT relay	3♣ = min, 3♦/♥/♠ = max + ♦/♣/♠	
			4 th seat: 5-6♥ ≤ 13 HP	2♠/3♣/3♦ NF		
2♠	5/4	x	5♠ + ≥4 any other suit ≤ 10 HP	2NT relay	3♣ = min, 3♦/♥/♠ = max + ♦/♥/♣	
			4 th seat: 5-6♠ ≤ 13 HP	3♣/3♦/3♥ NF		
2NT			balanced 20-21 HP	3♣ Puppet Stayman (Jacoby) 3NT : 5/4 cards ♠/♥		
			possible 5-card major	3♦/♥/♠ and 4♣ are transfer bids		
3♣/♦/♥	0	x	transfer to ♦/♥/♠		SLAM APPROACH AND CONVENTIONS	
			either shutout with 1-suiter		splinter bids	
			or fair unbalanced 2-suiter	new suit by opener natural 1 round F	Rodrigues Cachalot	
3♠	0	x	solid minor no outside values	4♣ not forcing 4♦ forcing	Roman key cards Blackwood Joséphine	
3NT		x	transfer to ♣		over NT openings : quantitative 4/5 NT	
4♣/♦	0	x	transfer to ♥/♠		DOPI	