

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS Natural, constructive. New suit 1RF, unassuming cue bid, major suit raises as for opening bids of 1M. Reopening: Can be weaker, responses same style but slightly stronger
1NT OVERCALL 15-18 bal/semi-bal. Responses have same structure as for 1NT opening. 11-14 in balancing chair.
JUMP OVERCALLS Weak 5+ card. New suit 1RF, over 2M responses as for 2M opening. In 4 th chair or over pre-emptive opening: intermediate. New suit 1RF. Jump to 2NT: 5/5, lowest 2, constructive+
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS Direct and reopening: 5/5, constructive+, over m ♠+another, over M M+m. Resp in possible suit pass or correct, NT invite plus ask, cue GF. Jump cue overcall: solid suit no stopper.
VS. OPPONENTS' 1NT OPENING X 15+ pen style (v str NT or by passed hand (one that includes a 16 count or better in std hands) Dbl=minor suit overcall), 2♣=♥+♠ (2♦ resp equal pref or any invite, 2nt near GF); 2♦=5+M/4+m; 2M natural (tends 6+); 2NT=♣+♦ 5/5; 3 level pre.
VS.PREEMPTS Dbl takeout (at higher level just values but non-pen), intermediate jump overcalls, Leb v weak two level openings, cue bid of m=Ms, cue bid of M=M/m, NT bids natural (immediate 4NT = minors)
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS - 1♣ or 2♣ (1♣ art): 1 level natural 4+ card, 1NT random 1 or 2 suiter, 2 level natural 5+ card (tends to be one suiter) (2♣ art): dbl ♣, suit natural, 2NT any 2 suiter
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE 1m (X) XX= inverted minor raise (2m now minimum raise) 1M (X) XX= GF pen interest no fit.

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	3/5 th	3/5 th	
NT	3/5 th	3/5 th	
Subsequent	3/5 th or attitude	3/5 th or attitude	
Other:			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit and NT		
Ace	A... or AK... (asks attitude)		
King	AK... or KQ... (asks count)		
Queen	AQJ..., KQ..., or QJ... (asks attitude)		
Jack	AJ10..., KJ10..., or J10...		
10	A109..., K109..., Q109..., or 109...		
9	9x or 3 rd		
Hi-X	Xx or 3 rd		
Lo-X	3 rd /5 th (including from non-honour suits)		
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit 1	Requested signal	Smith peter	Reverse count
Suit 2	Reverse count	Reverse count	Std suit pref
Suit 3	Std suit pref	Std suit pref	
NT 1	As above	As above	As above
NT 3			
Signals: reverse (upside down) attitude and count, standard suit preference, Smith peters (Hi-Lo encourage in key suit)			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
10+ HCP with emphasis on unbid Ms. Responses at one level 0-7, jump to 2 level 8-10 4 card, double jump to 3 level 8-10 5 card, cue 11+ force thru 2NT. Same style in reopening with dbl weaker and responses stronger			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
1♣ (1♦) X and 1♦ (2♣) both 4+♥ and ♠. Support X and XX after 1m (X/P) 1M (Bid<2M). 1suit (P) 2suit X of overcall invite+ penalty interest (typically balanced). 1NT (X) XX to play. After NT Dbl sequences next Dbl pen or takeout pass 1RF.			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: Green NCBO: New Zealand PLAYERS: David Ackerley and Scott Smith
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE Natural system: 1NT opening (11)12-14, may have any 5 card suit 1 level opening suit lengths: 2+♠, 4+♦, 5+♥♣
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE Multi 2♦ opening, either: a) Weak with 5M (no 4+ in other major); or b) 22-23 bal
4♣: good 4♥ opening 4♦: good 4♠ opening
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES 1NT (X) pass forces XX or call of a 5 card suit; vs clear sacrifices pass shows uncertainty or slam interest; (1NT) X (bid thru 2♠) pass 1RF
IMPORTANT NOTES 4 th suit force thru 2NT, reverses primarily natural PSYCHICS: rare

OPENING	ARTIFICIAL	MIN. CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	Yes	2	4♥	Natural (or 15+ 4432, 4423, 4333, or 3433)	1M may bypass 4♦ with less than 9hcp, 1NT 6-9 NF, 2♣ 10+ with support, 2♦ (7)8-9 with 5+♣ support, 2M natural 2-6, 2NT 10/11 with support, 3♣ 4-6(7) with support, 3M/4M natural, 3NT 12-15 with support, 4♣ RKCB	1♣-2♣: 2♦ unbal GF, 2M natural 1RF, 2NT GF bal, 3♣ NF, 3♦♥♠ splinters, 3NT gamble	No INVM: 1♣ 2♣ natural
1♦	No	4	4♥	Natural	Same style as 1♣	Same style as 1♣	Same style as 1♣
1♥	No	5	4♦	Natural	1♠ 4+ card 1RF, 1NT 6-9 NF, 2/1 8+ natural, 2♥ 6-9(10) 3-4 card sup, 2♠ invite SPL/16+ SPL/12-15 with 4 card support, 2NT GF with support, 3♣ 6-9 with 4♥, 3♦ 10/11 with 3+♥, 3♥ 0-6 4+♥, 3♠4♦♦ 10-15 SPL, 3NT 12-15 bal with 3♥	New suit 1RF, jump new suit weak 5/5, 4 th suit force to 2NT, reverses natural in principle, 1♥ 2♠: 2NT ask, new suit SPL, 3♥ NF, 1♥ 2NT: 3♣ any SPL, 3♦♠4♣ 5/5, 3♥ slam try, 3NT mild slam try, 4♥ min no shortage	GF raise now invite 5+ card
1♠	No	5	4♦	Natural	Same style as 1♥	Same style as 1♥	Same style as 1♥
1NT	No		2♠	(11)12-14 bal, may have 5M	2♣ Stayman/relay, 2♦♥ transfers to ♥♠, 2♠ general strength invite or invite 6+m, 2NT invite with 4♥, 3 any to play, 4♣ Gerber, 4♦ 5/5 Ms no slam interest, 4M to play, 4NT quantitative slam ask	Stayman may start full relay, after transfer other major invite NF, minor 1RF	2NT weak with ♣ and ♦
2♣	Yes	0	4♥	Game force	2♦ neg or waiting		
2♦	Yes	0	2♠	Weak in M (typically 5 card, less than one level opening and wide ranging. Will not have 4+ of other M), or 22-23 bal/semi-bal	M = pass/correct for M or better minor, 2NT ask, 3♣ = nf relay for better minor, 3♦, 3NT to play	After suit response pass with suit called (or if it is the better minor) or correct via next suit held or better minor. 2M response (pass or correct) followed by 3M is nat, nf.	
2♥	No	5	Nil	Weak, typically 6+ card	2♠ ask, 2NT ♠ 1RF, 3♣♦ natural 1RF, 3♠4♣♦♠ natural, to play	After 2♠: 2NT min + shortage, 3♣ max + shortage, 3♦ max no shortage, 3♥ min no shortage	New suit NF
2♠	No	5	Nil	Weak, typically 6+ card	2NT ask, new suit 1RF, no spls	Same style as for 2♥	New suit NF
2NT	No		3♠	20/21 bal/semi-bal	3♣ puppet Stayman, 3♦♥ transfers to ♥♠, 3♠ minor suit Stayman, 3NT to play, 4♣ Gerber, 4♦ natural, 4♥♠ to play, 4NT quantitative	3♣: 3♦ 4 card M, 3M 5 card. 3♣ then 4♣ natural	
3♣	No	6	Nil	Natural, pre-emptive	3♦ ask for 3M, 3M natural 1RF, 4♦ attitude key card, no spls	After suit a 3 level 3NT denies support	New suit NF
3♦	No	6	Nil	Natural, pre-emptive	New 3M natural 1RF, 4♣ attitude key card, no spls		
3♥/♠	No	6	Nil	Natural, pre-emptive	New suit 1RF, 4♣ attitude key card, 4♦ shortage ask, no spls	After suit a 3 level 3NT denies support	New suit NF
3NT	Yes		Nil	4 level pre-empt in minor	Minor suit bids correctable		
4♣	Yes	0	Nil	Good 4♥ opening	4♦ attitude key card, new suit cue		
4♦	Yes	0	Nil	Good 4♠ opening	4♥ attitude key card, new suit cue		
4♥/♠	No	6	Nil	Natural	New suit cue	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
4NT	Yes		Nil	Specific ace ask	5♣ nil, 5♦♥♠ natural ace, 5NT♣, 6♣♦♥ 2 aces CRO	RKCB (03/14), cues can be 1 st or 2 nd round, GSF	