INSTRUCTIONS FOR NON-GCC OVERCALL ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

General Instructions: Email form to webmaster@usbf.org

You must complete one form for each bid you play that is not on the ACBL General Convention Chart.

Technical details: Type only in the fill-in areas of the form. In those areas, you are free to type as much detail as you want, and are encouraged to be complete. There is no limit on the length of the form. You may use standard suit symbols or SHDC for the suits. Please do not use a font smaller than 11 pt.

Specific instructions for form fields:

Names: Please complete a separate form for each pair that is playing a specific non-GCC bid.

Please include the name of the event (USBC, USWBC, etc).

After opponent's opening bid of

Specify over which of the opponents' openings you employ this overcall. The box after "showing" is so you can clarify if you only play the bid if the opponent's opening shows a certain number of cards in the suit opened – for example, if you play that a 2* bid over an opponent's opening bid of 1* shows a random PRE in an undisclosed suit, but only if the opponent's opening bid shows 3⁺ clubs, you would complete the line above as follows:

showing

After opponent's opening bid of 1. showing at least 3.s

Our overcall of Specify your bid here at Vulnerability, be complete

Shows: General description, such as "PRE in any suit"

Applies: Opposite PH; Opposite UPH; All the time Delete those that don't apply

Detailed Description:

Insert a detailed description of the bid, including style, any variations depending on vulnerability and/or position, maximum and minimum values, expected suit lengths, expected suit quality, any restrictions on shape, whether you will have outside defense, etc. Include example hands to show the minimum and maximum that you might have for the bid.

Responses and Rebids When Responder Passes

With what hands will advancer pass the overcall?

You need to be particularly complete here if the overcall may or may not have length in the suit bid.

Meanings of other advances and follow ups:

Be complete. If you use some responses to ask about overcaller's hand, explain overcaller's rebids. If you might make a Pass or Correct bid without length in partner's other possible suit(s), explain as completely as possible when you would do so.

Competitive Agreements

Responses after opponent's DBL (including Pass, RDBL and expected follow-ups)

If the meaning of DBL is relevant, explain what you do over DBL's with different meanings. If you might pass without length in the bid suit, explain when.

Responses after opponent's bid:

Describe the meanings of DBL, P, and bids

Rebids after opener DBLs the overcall (1X)-2Y-(P)-P-(DBL)-?

Rebids after opener DBLs advancer's bid:

Rebids after opener's rebid: