

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
Negative thru 3H
Responsive thru 3S Maximal
Support: Dbl. thru 2M Redbl.
Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 6 to 15 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
3/4-bids
Conv./Resp.

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
Natural
Strong T/O
Michaels

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
X X	X X X X	X X	X X X X
X X X	X X X X	X X X	X X X X X
A K x	T 9 x	A K J x	A Q J x
K Q x	K J T x	A J T 9	A T 9 x
Q J x	K T 9 x	K Q J x	K Q T 9
J T 9	Q T 9 x	Q J T x	Q T 9 x
K Q T 9		J T 9 x	T 9 x x

LENGTH LEADS:

2nd / 4th Best vs SUITS vs NT
3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT
Attitude vs NT

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude Count Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING **PLEASE ASK**

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv.
Balancing: 11 to 14
Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
Conv.

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: strong weak
2♣ C+higher one suit
2♦ D+higher H+S
2♥ 3 NAT H+m
2♠ 3 NAT S+m
Dbl: relay to 2C penalty
Other: (one m or both M's) Capp

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level 2 level
Jump Shift: Forcing Inv. Weak
Redouble implies no fit

2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak

Majors
Minors
Other

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4H Penalty
Conv. Takeout: 4NT over 4S
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other:

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard: vs SUITS vs NT
Except

Upside-Down: count
attitude

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo
Trump Suit Pref.
Foster Echo

NAMES Ellie Fash - Christine Chai

GENERAL APPROACH

2/1
Two Over One: Game Forcing Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid
VERY LIGHT: Openings 3rd Hand Overcalls Preempts
FORCING OPENING: 1♣ 2♣ Natural 2 Bids Other

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 15 to 17 may have 6 minors
3♣ 5-5 m FG
3♦ 5-5 M inv. +
5-card Major common
System on over X, 2C
2♣ Stayman Puppet
2♦ Transfer to ♥ 4♦, 4♥ Transfer
Forcing Stayman Smolen
2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl (fast denies)
2♠ → C Neg. Double
2NT → D Other:

2NT 20 to 21

Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby Texas
3♠

3NT to

gambling
Conventional NT Openings

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
1st/2nd
3rd/4th

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splitter
Other: 1M-3m = NAT inv
1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
2NT: Forcing Inv. to
3NT: 13-15 to bal. 1-2 cards in M
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
Other:

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 ^{NF} 0-2 Conv.
1♣
1♦

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
Single raise Other: FG
Frequently bypass 4+♦ inv.
1NT/1♣ 6 to 10
2NT Forcing Inv. 11 to 12
3NT: 13 to 15
Other: 1m-2M = WJS

DESCRIBE

RESPONSES/REBIDS

2♣ 21 to + HCP 2H = bust After overcalls:
Strong Other 2NT = hearts X/XX = bust hand
2♦ Resp: Neg Waiting
2♦ to HCP 2H = bust
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv. 2NT Force New Suit NF
2♥ to HCP 2H = bust
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv. 2NT Force New Suit NF
2♠ to HCP 2H = bust
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv. 2NT Force New Suit NF

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing 2-Way NMF

Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. 1m-2M
4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game