

SPECIAL DOUBLES & REDOUBLES

After Overcall: **Penalty** **Open 2♣+**
 Negative **2♦ thru 4♦**
 Responsive **2♦ thru 4♦**
Support XXX **→2 of our Maj**
1♣/1M-(1Y)-Dbl GF Art.

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level **8+** HCP (usually)
 Often 4 cards
Responses
 New Suit: NF Constructive
 Jump Raise: Weak

JUMP OVERCALL

Wk **2♠+ 5-11^{2nd}, 3-14 ^{3/4}**
 Direct **(1m 3+)-2♥: 8+ 4+♠5+♥**
(1♣ 3+)-2♦: 8+ 4+♥5+♦ NF

OPENING PREEMPTS

3-bids 1/2 seat: **5-11- 3/4: 0-14⁻**
xxxxxx ok

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
5+♠ 4+♥ 4+oM 5+m
or huge 5-5
 Natural over 0+-2+
 Jump Cue: **str 1m or 2 lo unbid**

TWO-LEVEL SUIT OPENINGS

1st/2nd seat	3rd/4th seat
2♣ 5+♠, str, 15+ if bal, force Resp: 2♦ GF ask; 2M/3♠ NF; 2N wk both m; 3 new art inv.	2♣ 5+♠, str, 17+-35 if bal Resp: Same as 1st/2nd
2♦ 5+♥ 0-3♠, ", ", 5♥4m(31)/6+ Resp: 2♣ GF ask; 2♥/3♥ NF; 2N/3m art inv.; 3♠/4m spl.	2♦ 5+♥ 0-3♠, ", ", 5♥4m(31)/6+ Resp: Same as 1st/2nd
2M 10-11/13-14, 5+M, 0-3oM, 5M4m(31) or 6+M Resp: 2M+1 GF, 2M+2-4 art inv	2M 5+M: 3rd 0-14⁻, 4th 11-14 Resp: Natural

OTHER CONVENTIONAL CALLS: (1 suit)-X str bal;
vs. 1♣/2♣ strong CRASH; vs. Prec. 1♦, 1N is 5+♠, 4+♥;
after we open 1♣ or 1M 1/2, 1N in comp is like a negative dbl

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: **vs. Nat 3-suit takeout**
Balancing: 10 to 17⁻
(1X)-(1Y)-1N 17+ to 19 sys on
Jump to 2NT: str t/o 4+hi unbid

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: **Wk (hi+lo<27) Strong**
2♣ ♣ Rank 4+-5+
2♦ ♦ Non-touching 4+5+
 2M **Natural Natural**
 Dbl: **Str (15+/17+) Color 4+5+**
 Other: **2N vs. both Rank 5+4+**

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level 2 level
 Jump Shift & 2NT: Inv over 1♣;
GF over 1♦; Inv(+) over 1M

VS Opening Preempts Double is

Takeout thru **4♥**
Conv. Takeout: 4N over 4♠

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Gerber 4NT: RKC 1430
Shortness ask; pattern ask;
Caspar KC; control ask;
denial cue; Pick a slam
 Interference **P0D1, (P0R1), PEDO**

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GENERAL APPROACH: Strong Diamond

1st/2nd seats: **1♣ Av-14 0+♣, 1♦ 15+ Art., 1M 8-9 4+M,**
1N 10-12, 2♣ 5+♠ 15+, 2♦ 5+♥ 15+, 2M Nat. 10+-14
 3rd/4th: **1♣ 14+-17-, 1♦ 17+ Art., 1M 14-17- 4+M,**
1N 14-17⁻, 2♣ 5+♠ 17+, 2♦ 5+♥ 17+, 2M Nat 3rd 3-14
Forcing Openings: Other All seats: 1♦, 2m 3rd/4th only: 1♣

1NT 1st/2nd seats	1NT 3rd/4th seats	2NT
10 to 12 12 no maj 5-card maj common <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sys on over some X/2♣ 2♣ GF Ask 2♥ Puppet to 2♥ 2M Nat. 4+ Inv. 2N/3X Nat. Inv. Gerber <input type="checkbox"/> S. African Texas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lebensohl <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (___ denies) Neg. X <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2♦ thru 4♦	14 to 17⁻ No 4+ card maj Sys on over _____ 2♣ Natural NF 2♦ Natural NF 2M Nat. 5+ NF 2N/3X Nat. Inv. Gerber <input type="checkbox"/> S. African Texas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lebensohl <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (___ denies) Neg. Double <input type="checkbox"/>	Either minor 6+ 1st/2nd seat 12-15⁻ 3rd/4th seat 14-17⁻ 3♣ Pass/correct 3♦ GF Art. ask Rebids 3♥=♣ 3♠+=♦ S. African Texas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Neg. Double <input type="checkbox"/>
		3NT
		Solid minor 1st/2nd no side A/K

ONE-LEVEL SUIT OPENINGS

1st/2nd seat	3rd/4th seat
1♣ Av-14; 0+♣; NF; any shape; 12-14 bal 4+M, 13-14 bal 2-3M, 12 5M4m(31), 12 6+M, or 10-14 other patterns Resp: 1♦ GF art, 1M/1N: NF, higher Inv., 2m asking	1♣ 14+-17- 0+♣ force 5+suit 5⁻ losers, unbal Resp: 1♦ Neg. no maj, NF; 1M 4+M 0-8- better M NF; 1NT+ GF art.
1♦ 15+, 0+♦, force, usu <6M Resp: 1♥ 1 QT or 6-10⁻ Art.; 1♠ 0-5⁻ Art., 0+♠, no aces, NF; 1N+ GF, Art., 10+, 2+controls	1♦ 17+, 0+♦, force, usu <6M Resp: 1♥ 4⁺-8⁻ 0+♥ force <6M; 1♠ 0-4⁻ Art., 0+♠, no aces, NF; 1N+ GF, Art.
1M 4+M, NeAv-9 (-10 vul) Resp: 1♠/1N NF, 2♣ GF art, 2 New/2N/3♣=Inv NF, 4m spl, 3♦=Fitted Inv+, 3M 5+card Inv	1M 4-5M, 14+-17-, bal or 4441 Resp: 1♠/1N NF, 2-way Drury; 2♣ = 8-9 HCP, 3 card fit; 2♦ = 6-8⁻ HCP, 4+ card fit

LEADS: A asks SP, K count
Standard honor leads except
King asks unblock/count in NT
and queen from KQ vs. NT;
3rd/lo vs. suits, 4th vs. NT
in suits we like; Att leads in our
suit or breaking new suit mid hand

DEFENSIVE CARDING
Std. suit pref primary
Std. count secondary
No attitude