

DEFENSE AND COMPETITIVE BIDS	LEADS AND SIGNALS				CONVENTION CARD
OVERCALLS :	OPENING LEADS AND STYLE				FRANCE
STYLE : natural Responses : natural ; weak jump raises New suit : forcing if n°3 pass Jump new suit : natural + fit, forcing one round ; jump cue-bid : good raise IN BAL.POS. : nat. shows less than good opening hand		Lead	In Partner's suit		Paul CHEMLA – Alain LEVY
	Suit	3 rd and 5 th	3 rd and 5 th		
	NT	4 th best	3 rd and 5 th , except in > : 4 th best		
	Subs	Same	3 rd and 5 th		
	Other				
INT OVERCALL	LEADS				SYSTEM SUMMARY
OVERCALL : 16-18 HCP (After Pass : 4 in the cheapest and 6 in the other) IN BAL.POS. : 9-13 HCP Responses : Stayman and Transfer		Vs Suit	Vs NT		GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE 5 CARDS MAJOR – BETTER MINOR 2.: AND 2; : WEAK 1] MAY HAVE THREE CARDS WITH 4-4-3-2 1NT opening : 15 ⁺ - 18 ⁻ 2 over 1 : 10 ⁺ HCP : promises rebid
	Ace	AKx(x) ; AKQ(x) ; AKJ(x) ; A(x)	AKx(x) ; AQ10(x) ; A(x)		
	King	AK ; KQ(x) ; K(x)	AKQ(x) ; AKJ(x) ; KQJ(x) ; KQ10x ; Kx		
	Queen	QJx(x) ; Q(x)	AQJ(x) ; KQ(x) ; QJ10(x) ; QJ9(x)		
	Jack	KJ10(x) ; J10(x) ; J(x)	AJ10(x) ; KJ10(x) ; J109(x) ; J108(x)		
JUMP OVERCALL	10	A109(x) ; K109(x) ; Q109(x) ; 109(x)	K109(x) ; Q109(x) ; 109(x)		
ONE SUIT : weak 2 SUITERS : 1 :./1; 3> : other major +] 1> 2] : .+. ; UNUSUAL 2NT : 2 lowest suiters	9	9(x)	9(x)(x) ; H9x ;		
	Hi-x	Hxxx ; xxxx ; xx ; x	xx ; xxx ; xxxx(x)(x)		SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
	Lo-X	X ; xxx ; Hxx ; xxxxx ; Hxxxx	Hxx ; Hxxx(x)(x) ; xxxx(x)(x)		
	SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY				
		Partner's lead	Declarer's lead	Discarding	
DIRECT CUE-BID AND JUMP CUE-BID	1	Count : H/L = E	Count : H/L = E	High encour ; Low disc.	
DIRECT CUE-BID : 2 suiters (1> 2> nat.) JUMP CUE-BID : asks for a stopper for NT over 1 :./ ; (nat. over 1> /])	Suit 2	Encour. Or suit prefer.	Suit preference	Count H/L = E	
	3	Suit preference	Suit preference	Suit preference	
	1	Count : H/L = E	Count : H/L = E	Suit preference	
VS NT	NT 2	Or encour.	Or Smith Peter		SPECIAL COMPETITIVE BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
2> :Landy → 2] : no preference 1) VS STRONG NT : X short in one minor ; 2] : Multi. 2.: : .+. +min 2; : ;+min 2) VS WEAK NT : Transfers ; 3] :5;+5.: , game forcing IN BAL.POS : 2> Landy ; Strong Double ; Natural VS 1NT OVERCALL : 1> /] 1SA 2> : both majors 2] /.: / ; Transfer ; 2NT : cue-bid with fit	3		Suit preferene		
	SIGNALS (including trumps)				
	SIGNALS IN TRUMP SUIT : Reverse high low				
Vs NT :on As or Q lead, high is encouraging ; Behind dummy, 10 is encouraging				Two suiters	
Smith Peter, reverse for the leader				1NT X : singleton in one minor suit	
DOUBLES				SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
VS PREEMPTS	TAKE-OUT DOUBLE				
Take out doubles. Two suiters. VS WEAK TWO : Cue-bid = 5> + Maj. ; 4> = 5]-Maj., 2NT : 16-19 (13-16 in bal.pos.). Then Stay. Transfers	STYLE : Can be light if shaped				Usual slam try in competitive bids
	Responses : Natural and limit ? Cue-bid is forcing one round				When Pass is forcing, bid is weaker than Pass then bid
	IN BAL.POS. : 9 HCP and +. Responses : Idem				
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES				IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE	
VS ARTIFICIAL 1> OPENING	Negative doubles, Responsive doubles, 1> 1] x and 1] 1.: x denies majors				
Double : Take Out ; 1NT : both minors ; 2] : both majors 1> Pass 1] Double : both maj. ; 1NT : both min. ; 2] : nat.	Informative and optional doubles				3 rd and 4 th suit forcing one round
	Maximal overcall double				After Pass, jump in new suit nat. with fit
OVER OPPONENT'S TAKE OUT DOUBLE	Double over fits and pre-empts Lightner				
One over one forcing TRUSCOTT : Idem maj. and min. (Strong raise)	Double over two suiters shows values				PSYCHICS
	Double from the opener : good hand with support				

Jump in new suit : weak or good raise			Double from the defence : good raise or take out			Light opening bid in 3 rd	
A R T	Number of cards	DESCRIPTION	X Negative thru	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	MODIFICATION OVER COMPETITION AND WITH PASS PARTNER	
1 > 1]	3 3	10 ⁺ HCP : may have 3> and 4] (rare) 10 ⁺ HCP	4 ;	1> - 1.: (;) : may have longer] Strong jump shift	1m – 1M – 1m – 1M – 3NT : 4M, 18-19 balanced 1m – 1M 4m : 6m + 4M 2>/2] relay after 1NT rebid 1] - 2> - 2NT : 12-14 or 18-19	AFTER PASS : Jumps nat + fit AFTER OVERCALL : Jumps weak or raise 1m - 1.: - X : negative (denies 4;)	
1 :. 1 ;	5 5	10 ⁺ HCP 10 ⁺ HCP	4 ;	1.: - 3;, 4>, 4] : Transfers splinters 4M : pre-empt 3] : 3 ⁺ M, 11 ⁺ ; 2NT : 4 ⁺ M, 12 ⁺ 1; - 3.: ,4>,4]: Transfers Splinters 3M : encouraging ; 3] : limit raise 2SA : Strong with 4 trumps.	2>, 2] relays after 1NT rebid 1.: - 1; - 3NT : 19 balanced If fit forcing , 3NT : good bad	AFTER PASS : DRURY FIT 2SA : 4 trumps + a singl., limit Jump : nat + fit, forcing AFTER OVERCALL : Weak jumps or raise	
1NT		15-18 HCP 15 17 N V 15+ 18- V	4 :.	2> : Stayman 3 responses 2],2.: ,2;,3> : Transfers 2NT : minors,3], natural limit, 3.: 3; strong 4>(4] : both majors with prefer. .: (;)	1NT - 2> - 2] - 3.: : 5;+4.: 1NT - 2> - 2] - 2.:./; : 7-8 H	AFTET OVERCALL : Double negative or Stayman Transfers	
2>	X 0	GAME FORCING	4 ;	Aces answers 2], 0-8 : 2NT, 8 ⁺ balanced	Stayman and transfers on 2NT rebid Baron and Transfers on 3NT rebid	Negative Doubles Natural overcall	
2]	X 0	SEMI-FORCING 19-23 HCP or ACOL in Major suit	4 :.	2.: : relay ; 2; : natural very weak 2NT,3>,3],3.: : Transfers	Stayman and transfers on 2NT rebid	Negative Doubles	
2 :. 2 ;	6	4-11 HCP		2NT relay New suit forcing	2M - 2NT 3x : honour in x 2M - 2NT - 4x : sg or void in x	Penalty Doubles	
2NT		20-21 HCP	4 :.	3> : Stayman 4 responses 4] : 5; + 5 :. 3],3.: ,3;,4> : Transferts	2NT - 3]/.: - 3NT : good raise 2NT - 3> - 3] - 3.: : relay	Negative Doubles	
3m 3M 3NT 4m 4M 4NT	X X X X	7 7 7/8 7/8 7/8 7/8		Preempt Preempt Good preempt in a major suit Preempt Preempt Blackwood	New suit forcing Asking bids at the 5 th level	SLAM APPROACH AND CONVENTIONS 4NT(sometimes 5NT) : 5 Keys Cards Blackwood. Then next suit asks for Queen trump Josephine 5NT : grand slam force Controls and cue-bids Asking bids	